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It incorporates the following:

- 1/ Status of the Offices that used barred numeral cancellations.
- 2/ A list of the Sub Offices of major Offices that used barred numeral cancels.
- 3/ The later numeral allocations that were made after barred numerals ceased to be issued.

Dates, codes and times in red are new to the published volumes.

Dates of a change in status are derived largely from the Post Office Guide for January of each year, if a change occurs in say the 1865 edition, it actually took place sometime in 1864.

Status of the Offices

Head Post Offices / Post Town collected, sorted, cancelled and distributed mail from and to a series of Subordinate Offices.

The address of mail sent to a place with a Head Office would end just with the name of the town i.e. Bedford.

Independent Sub Offices evolved in the second half of the 19th Century having an address that was independent of the nearest Head Office, most of their mail could come straight to them.

Mail sent to these addresses ended with S.O. and the county name.

i.e. Shefford S.O. Beds. (from 1873 to 1886)

Railway Sub Offices (R.S.O.)

These were offices that received and sent their mail to a travelling railway post office rather than a conventional head office.

i.e. Shefford R.S.O. Beds. (from 1886 to 1905)

When the term "Railway Sub Office" was abolished in 1905, these became Independent Sub Offices; in 1909 they became Post Towns. Although the term R.S.O. was abolished in 1905 it remained in use in many cds's for several years afterwards.

Subordinate Offices The address of mail sent there had to include the name of the Head Office:-

i.e. Potton, Biggleswade. (1844 to 1854)

i.e. Potton, St Neots. (1854 to 1872)

i.e. Potton, Sandy. (1872 to present)

These normally received and sent most of their mail direct to a Head Office.

In the text the dates given are for the length of time that they were sub offices not the period of use of barred numerals.

A Sub Office in an urban environment, before 1892 was called a Town Receiving Office.

LETTER BOXES.

Pillar Boxes and Wall Boxes, did not normally have their own cancellation, exception were Late Fee Letter Boxes at Railway Stations. The cancellation was applied either in the Travelling Post Office, eg. Euston Square Station with its provincial style 964 cancellation, or in transit the Manchester/Liverpool/Leeds/Bradford Late Box cancellations which were cancelled in London.

THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE CANCELLATIONS:

1844 type for the single obliterators issued to all the offices in the lists to 1850.



1844

3HOS is a 3 Bar Horizontal Oval Single obliterator

The 3HOS replaced the 1844 type in the 1850's. They can sometimes be very similar in that the 1844's can have three bars at the top and base. The key characteristic to separate these from a subsequently issued 3HOS is the length of the uppermost and lowermost bars. These are long in the 1844 type and short and often convex in the 3HOS. The figure 4 almost always has a serif on the horizontal bar in 1844s and is always sans serif in the 3HOSs.



3HOS



3TH.HOS

4VOS is a 4 Bar Vertical Oval Single obliterator

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Obliterators that were first issued as a 4VOS can through wear and local recutting become a 3VOS or indeed rarely a 2VOS. As these always derive from the original 4VOS they are placed in that category. The evidence is that the size of the figures and letters stay the same despite the reduction in the number of bars. True 3VOS's are separately proofed as such and frequently replace a 4VOS.



4VOS



3VOS



3CD

3 bar Circular oval Duplex



4VOD



3VOD

Spoon and sideways duplex are pre-existing categories that have been used

4 bar Vertical Oval Duplex 3 bar Vertical Oval Duplex

3VODX A distinctive pattern of 3VOD was sent to 21 towns on 10 MAY1873. In the Proof Books the cds and obliterator were separately entered, with the cds often at an angle and some distance from the obliterator. In use the cds and obliterator were also some distance apart, they were the first 3VOD cancels to be issued. They are often described as a 3VOS in the literature. Of the 21, three are common Birmingham, Manchester and Cheltenham, 11 are very rare, and 7 have never been seen. They might have been for use in an experimental new style of handstamp or cancelling machine. Whatever the nature of the experiment it appears to not to have been successful.

ILLUSTRATIONS

The majority of the illustrations are face different Proof Book entries. These have been photocopied from photocopies held in the Post Office archive.

There are very few examples of the 1844 type in the Proof Books, most examples in the catalogue have been traced from actual examples.

If there are two identical copies of a cancel entered at the same in the Proof Books this can often be shown to be the issue of two different cancels. The official stamping the entry found it easier to make two impressions of the same cancel rather than one of each.

DATE OF ISSUE

The date attached to each illustration is the first date of entry in the Proof Books. Just the month and year are quoted because of the ambiguities in the various possible dates: -

1/ The date a cancellation was sent to a Head Office, this was not always the final destination.

2/ The date in the cds of the cancellation, this is not always the same as the date sent. It can indeed be almost a year out. Volume 15 of the Proof Books consists of cut outs of cancellations, these are often duplicate entries of cancels that are in other Proof Books - however the cds date in volume 15 can often be much earlier in the year than the date in the other Proof Books. The earlier date is certainly the correct one.

3/ The date a cancel was proofed – this is in a column marked “sent” in the Proof Books.

In the literature any of these three sources could have been used for the “date of issue”.

RARITY & PRICE

The rarity index ranges from A = abundant to H = very few recorded. H* has been used for proofed cancels that have only been recorded on loose stamp.

GPO means that the cancel has only been seen in the Proof Books.

Prices for coloured cancels have not been quoted, there is too much variation.

Prices have not been updated from those quoted in the six volume set issued 2011 to 2013 - i.e. they are at least 10 years old.

POST OFFICE LISTS

The list of numeral allocations comes from a combination of several sources:-

1/ The Official Lists held in various forms in the Post Office Archives and several that are privately held.

2/ Individual changes in allocation listed in the Post Office Circular, which was a set of weekly instructions to Postmasters.

The Official Lists that have been used:-

1844 – contained in Dendy Marshall’s book. Thus seen by Brumell.

1845 - 1847 - 1855 - 1856 - 1857 contained in the relevant Post Office Directory.

1874 - 1882 - 1887 - 1892 - currently available in the Post Office Archives, in their file Post 55. The 1882 list is new, it was not seen or mentioned by Brumell.

1899 - Brumell mentions a list that he had not seen that was quoted by Whitworth (Southport 1905) as the “1899” list. Post Office Archives have an 1887 list with manuscript additions up to about 1900. This is certainly Whitworth’s “1899” list.

1902 - seen and listed by Brumell, but there is no longer a copy in the Post Office Archives.

1906 - currently available in the Post Office Archives, in Post 55. This was the last list used by Brumell.

1924, 1929 and 1949 - these have recently become available in the Post Office Archives, in Post 55, called Post Office Form 1013. They were not available to Mackay.

1954, 1959 - listed by George Pearson in his 1959 publication. The lists are not in the Post Office Archives.

1962 - an original list seen and quoted by Mackay. Given by him in 1990 to the Post Office Archives, but no longer available. A privately held copy has been downloaded from the GBPS website.

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Post Office Archives: Many thanks for all their help in the past, although under the current regime research is becoming increasingly difficult. This follows a general tendency amongst archivists to make preservation the all-pervading priority and making access secondary.

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31 ASHFORD

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Ashford allocated 31 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 578 Appledore 1869 to present. J31 Bethersden 1869 to present. 356 Charing 1856 to present. 490 Ham Street 1848 to present.

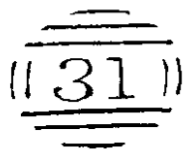
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1844
APR1844



3HOS
MAR1856



3HOS
AUG1858



3HOS
FEB1861

1844 Used from 2 OCT1844 to 7 FEB1856 Price F £20

3HOS Used from 10 SEP1856 to 31 DEC1861 Price E £15



4VOS
SEP1870



3VOS
DEC1876

4VOS GPO

3VOS Used on 3 OCT1895 Price H £50

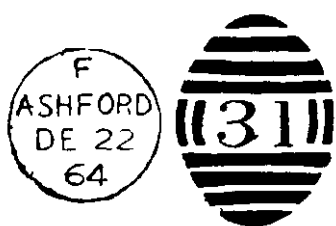
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3CD
FEB1862

KENT 31

3CD Used from 5 JUL1862 to 3 JAN1870 Codes: A C D E Price E £12



4VODA
MAR1864



4VODA
MAR1870



4VODA
SEP1870

4VODA (Straight Ashford) Used from 2 OCT1864 to 13 FEB1877 Codes: A B C D E F G H Price E £12



4VODB
JUL1871



4VODB
AUG1872



4VODB
SEP1872

4VODB (Curved Ashford) Used from 9 NOV1871 to 17 JUL1880 Codes: A B C D E F G Price A £3



3VOD
JUL1878

3VOD Used from 10 JAN1879 to 4 JUL1883 Codes: A D F H M Price F £20
Squared Circles in use: FEB1881 to NOV1889



3VODS
DEC1883



3VODS
DEC1883

3VODS (Ashford Station Office) Time in code Used from 29 FEB1884 to 31 MAY1894
Codes: A B C D E F G H I K M L Price A £10

3VODS (Ashford Station Office) Time in asterisk code Used from 2 AUG1894 to 27 FEB1897
Codes: H*A I*A LI*A CD*P DB*P FI*P GD*P HD*P KB*P M*P Price E £10

3VODS (Ashford Station Office) Time in full Used from 26 OCT1895 to 13 NOV1900
Times: 915AM 11AM 215PM 4PM 615PM 715PM 815PM 1015PM Price D £10

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32 Ramsgate

A charge mark with the number 32 was sent to Ramsgate in MAY1919, it was probably sent on to a subordinate office

43 Birchington

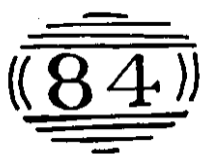
Birchington was allocated G47 in the 1882 to 1906 lists and 43 from 1924 to 1962.

84 CANTERBURY

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Canterbury allocated 84 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- B39 Herne Bay 1844 to 1885.



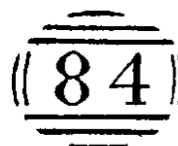
1844
APR1844



Not entered in the
Proof Books



3HOS OC-
T1859



3HOS
NOV1859



3HOS
JUN1863

1844 Used from 11 MAY1844 to 1 OCT1855 Price C £5

1844X (Vertical split in bars) Used on 7 AUG1859 Price H £100+

3HOS Used on 8 DEC1860 Price H £40



3TH.HOS
JAN1865



4VOS
FEB1872



3VOS
JAN1873



3VOS
NOV1879

3TH.HOS GPO

4VOS Used from 13 NOV1874 to 22 DEC1949 Price H £40 pre 1900 / £15 post 1900

Single side arcs 1902 to 1930, becomes a 3VOS through wear (still two serifs on the 4)

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H*£50 (Price if found on dated cover)



SDWYSII
MAR1856



SDWYSII
FEB1857



3CD

KENT 84-144

SDWYS II Used from 22 MAY1856 to 31 MAY1858 Codes: A B C Cinv Price A £10

SDWYS II in green Used from 24 APR1857 to 21 JUL1857

3CD Used from 2 JUL1858 to 17 NOV1866 Codes: A C D Price A £4

Eight proofed between JUN1858 & JAN1864



4VOD
JAN1865



4VOD
APR1870



4VOD
AUG1871



4VOD Used from 15 FEB1865 to 28 MAY1880 Codes: A B C D E F G H I Price A £3

Eight proofed between JAN1865 & AUG1871 All are very similar except the 10AUG71 issue. Several unproofed subtypes were in use from 1872.



3VOD
JUN1880



3VOD Time in code Used from 12 JUL1880 to 29 DEC1903

Codes: A C D E F G H J Price A £3

3VOD Time in full Used from 2 MAY1897 to 5 DEC1905

Times: 830AM 11AM 1130AM 1145AM 130PM 345PM 4PM 445PM 7PM 10PM 1010PM 1130PM Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: MAR1881 to DEC1894

99 Beckenham

Beckenham was allocated D13 in the 1874 to 1924 lists and 43 from 1925 to 1962.

144 BROMLEY

In the General Post and also within the London District Post 1844 to 1857 and then the South Eastern District of London 1857 to 1865.

Solely in the Kent Provincial Area 1865 to present.

Given the provincial number 144 in 1844, it was the end of the London District Post ride: Dulwich, Sydenham and Beckenham.

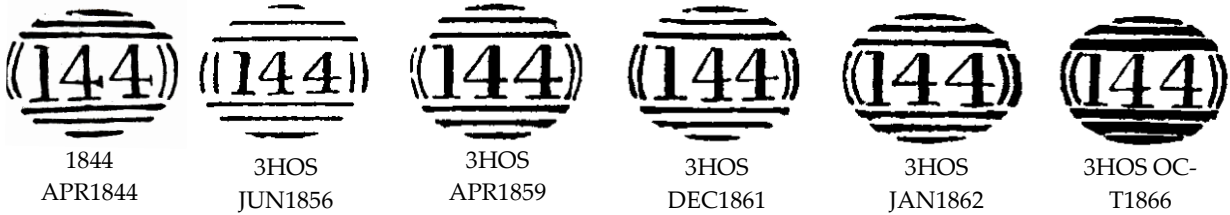
Only used provincial style numeral cancellations.

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Bromley allocated 144 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 144 Shortlands 1874 to 1886 and 1891 to 1901.

KENT 144



1844 Used from 2 NOV1844 to 21 MAY1856 Price G £30

A new illustration, the 4's have serifs.

Used whilst Bromley was in the London District Post.

3HOS Used from 28 APR1857 to 22 JAN1865 Price F £15

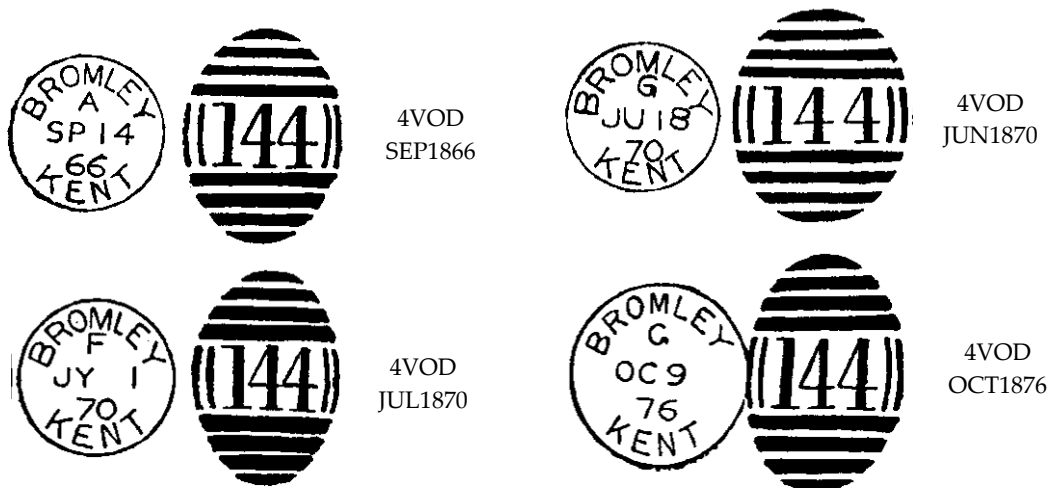
The JAN1862 illustration above was proofed in the London Proof Books and yet annotated "Bromley Kent SE"



4VOS GPO

This has been seen used on labourers work records in Glamorganshire with a Swansea backstamp. It is unlikely to have been applied in Bromley!

3VOS Used from 28 SEP1878 to 20 JUL1932 Price G £30 pre 1900 / £15 post 1900



4VOD Time in code Used from 11 MAY1867 to 19 JUL1893

Codes: A B C D E F H 1 2 3 4 6 12 14 Price A £4

Five proofed between SEP1866 & OCT1876 one duplicate.

Several unproofed subtypes were in use from 1877.

4VOD Time in full Used from 2 JAN1897 to 24 DEC1897

Times: 1PM 515PM 930PM 1030PM Price F £4

KENT 144-173



3VOD
DEC1879

3VOD Time in code Used from 22 MAY1880 to 10 OCT1895

Codes: D E F 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 14 15 18 Price A £3

3VOD Time in full Used from 3 APR1896 to 9 FEB1909

Times: 630AM 915AM 1015AM 1115AM 1145AM 1215PM 1PM 230PM 4PM 515PM 545PM
645PM 730PM 845PM 945PM 1030PM 645 none(xmas) Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: DEC1892 to MAR1908

144 SHORTLANDS

Sub Office of Bromley 1874 to 1886, Independent Sub Office 1886 to 1891, Sub Office of Bromley 1891 onwards, became a Town Receiving House in 1901.

Used the same number as Bromley.



3VODS
APR1884

3VODS Time in code Used from 14 JUN1887 to 20 APR1898

Codes: A B C D F Price E £12

3VODS Time in full Used from 28 NOV1898 to 3 NOV1907

Times: 130AM 105AM 11AM 1130AM 1145AM 1215PM 2PM 215PM
230PM 65PM 615PM 730PM Price E £12 on cover, £5 on ppc.

173 CHATHAM

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Chatham allocated 173 in the lists from 1844 to 1924.

Number 173 was later allocated to Catterick Camp (Yorks) in the 1934 to 1962 lists.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
JAN1859



3HOS NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

1844 Times: 2 MAY1844 to 22 AUG1854 Price C £5

3HOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £30 (Price if found on dated cover)

Late examples have a flat topped three (seen on loose stamp only)



3VOS
JUL1877

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £50 (Price if found on dated cover)

KENT 173



SDWYSII
NOV1855



SDWYSVb
NOV1857

SDWYS II Used from 20 NOV1855 to 13 SEP1857 Codes: A B C Price E £35
SDWYS Vb Used from 18 SEP1857 to 26 JUL1860 Codes: A B Binv C Cinv D E O
 Price E £25 Two proofed NOV1857 and MAR1859



3CD
NOV1857



4VODA
FEB1868

3CD Used from 28 APR1859 to 18 FEB1880 Codes: A B C D E F H Price A £3
 Ten proofed between NOV1857 & SEP1869, three duplicates.
 In the 1870's unproofed subtypes with thicker bars.
4VODA (Round top three) Used from 8 MAY1868 to 25 SEP1877 Codes: A C D E F
 Price F £20 Four were proofed between FEB1868 and JUL1870



4VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VOD
SEP1881

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 2 APR1880 to 13 SEP1881
 Codes: B C D E F 5 Price G £30
3VOD Time in code Used from 17 OCT1881 to 2 MAR1900
 Codes: A B C D E F G H I J K L M O P U Price A £3
3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 9 JUN1894 to 5 DEC1894
 Codes: BC*P CC*P FC*P GI*P Price G £15
 Squared Circles in use: AUG1891 to JUN1909

KENT 201-227

201 CHISLEHURST

Received 201 in the 1844 Provincial list, it must have been a Head Post Office at that time. It is assumed that an 1844 type obliterator was issued in 1844, it has not been recorded. Chislehurst was a receiving house under Bromley in the London District Post 1846 to 1857, London South Eastern District 1857 to 1867.

Given the London style cancel 13B in MAY1861 it has not been seen in use.

Moved to the Kent Provincial Area in 1867 and started using D05 in provincial style cancellations.

Head Post Office 1867 to 1908, Sub Office of Orpington 1920 to 1960,

Sub Office of Farnborough 1920 to 1960, Town Sub Office of Orpington 1960 to 1990, closed 1990.

Chislehurst was allocated 201 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later D05 in 1874 to 1924 and 005 in 1928 to 1962 lists. Number 201 was allocated to Milk River, Jamaica in the 1882 to 1887 lists and Belvedere, Kent in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

1844 GPO



201 Belvedere

Belvedere was allocated 404 in the 1882 to 1906 lists and 201 from 1924 to 1962.

226 CRANBROOK

Head Post Office 1844 to 1858, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1858 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1897, Head Post Office 1897 to 1922, Salaried Sub Office 1922 to 1995, Modified Scale Post Office 1995 to present.

Cranbrook was allocated 226 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later G84 in 1887 to 1924 and 084 in 1928 to 1962.

Number 226 was later allocated to Tutbury (Staffs) 1882 to 1924 and Cross Keys (Monm) 1937 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 227 Biddenden 1844 to 1858.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
JUL1852

1844 Used from 29 JUN1844 to APR1850 Price F £50

1844 in blue Used in APR1850

3HOS Used from 4 FEB1853 to 29 OCT1858 Price G £60

227 BIDDENDEN

Sub Office of Cranbrook 1844 to 1858, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1858 to 1894, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1894 to 1928, Sub Office of Ashford 1928 to present.

Number 227 was later allocated to Swadlincote (Derbys) in the 1882 to 1906 lists and then to Craven Arms (Salop) in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 9 NOV1846 to 25 JUN1848 Price H £100+



1844
APR1844

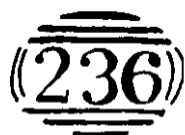
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236 DARTFORD

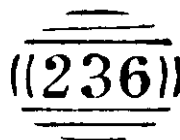
Head Post Office 1844 onwards

Dartford allocated 236 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 061 Eynsford 1847 to 1900 and 1904 to 1906 onwards.
952 Greenhithe 1844 to 1880. H21 Longfield 1884 to 1893.*



1844
APR1844



3HOS
FEB1857

1844 Used from 10 SEP1844 to 2 JUN1854 Price A £5 Seen in blue

3HOS Used from 29 JUL1855 to 11 AUG1857 Price F £20



SDWYSVIII
OCT1857



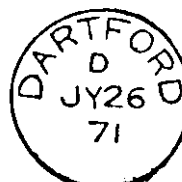
3CD
NOV1859

SDWYS VIII Used from 3 DEC1857 to 19 OCT1859 Codes: A B C Cinv D Dinv Price G £80

3CD Used from 28 FEB1860 to 13 SEP1869 Codes: A B C D Price B £3



4VODA
SEP1869



4VODA
JUL1871

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 27 APR1870 to 8 SEP1892 Codes: A B C D E Price A



4VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VOD
DEC1881

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 28 SEP1895 to 25 JUL1907

Times: 9AM 1110AM 1115AM 130PM 345PM 430PM 6PM 630PM 7PM 815PM 10PM
1030PM 1045PM Price A £3

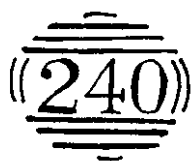
3VOD Time in code Used from 20 FEB1882 to 25 JAN1896 Codes: A B C D E F Price C £3

3VOD Time in full Used from 25 MAY1895 to 23 DEC1897 Times: 430PM 7PM 10PM
Price G £8

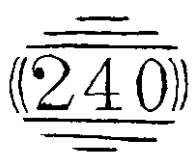
KENT 240

240 DEAL

Head Post Office 1844 onwards. Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1993.
Deal allocated 240 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
NOV1855



3HOS
DEC1858



3HOS
JAN1859



3HOS
JAN1862

1844 Used from 26 MAY1844 to 6 JUL1855 Price F £20 Seen in blue
3HOS Used from 1 JAN1856 to 21 OCT1875 Price C £4 The JAN1862 issue looks like the 1844 type, but the 3HOS has no serif on the horizontal bar of the figure four.



3VOS
JAN1880



4VODA
MAY1868

3VOS Used in APR1916 Price H £40

4VODA (Straight Deal) Used from 24 NOV1868 to 9 MAY1875 Codes: A B C D Price B £3



4VODB
MAY1875

4VODB (Curved Deal) Used from 14 MAR1876 to 12 DEC1905

Codes: A B C D E none Price C £3



3VOD
FEB1878

3VOD Time in code Used from 16 JUN1878 to 15 JUN1896 Codes A C D E Price D £6

3VOD Time in full Used from 1 APR1897 to 24 AUG1898 Times: 545PM 930PM

Price H £15

Squared Circles in use: SEP1881 to JAN1906

KENT 258

258 DOVER

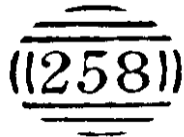
Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1996.

Dover allocated 258 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

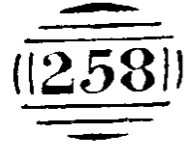
Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 259 Walmer 1844 to 1864.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
JUL1853



3HOS
SEP1857



3HOS
JUL1863

1844 Used from 30 JUN1844 to 23 SEP1851 Price F £25

1844 in blue Used in SEP1851

3HOS Used from 7 JUL1853 to 14 DEC1863 Price G £30



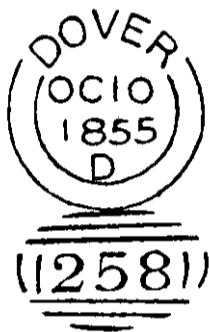
4VOS
NOV1868



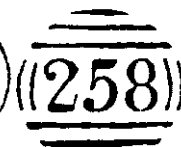
3VOS
MAY1886

4VOS GPO

3VOS GPO



SDWYSII
OCT1855



3CD
NOV1857



3CD
JAN1859

SDWYS II Used from 5 NOV1855 to 31 OCT1857 Code: A C Price D £15

3CD Used from 14 DEC1857 to 27 DEC1876 Codes: A B C D E F none Price A £3



4VODA
SEP1868

KENT 258-259

4VODA (Straight Dover) Used from 31 DEC1868 to 29 JUN1871

Codes: A B C D E Price D £6



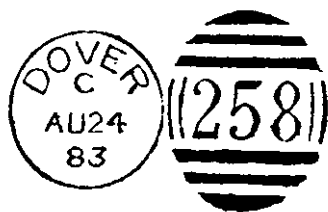
4VODB
JUN1871



4VODB
JAN1877

4VODB (Curved Dover) Used from 25 JUL1871 to 1 OCT1880

Codes: A B C D E F Price B £3



3VOD
AUG1883

3VOD Used from 15 AUG1884 to 25 MAY1886 Codes: A C E F Price H £40



3VODS
JUN1886



3VODS
JUN1886

3VODS (Dover Station Office in cds) Time in code Used from 2 JUL1886 to 24 NOV1895

Codes: A B C D E F H I K M Price A £6

3VODS (Dover Station Office in cds) Time in full Used from 21 MAY1896 to 3 DEC1903

Times: 1230AM 1AM 830AM 10AM 11AM 1130AM 1PM 130PM 3PM 330PM 4PM 5PM
6PM 8PM 830PM 9PM 1030PM 11PM Price A £6

Another 3VODS was proofed in JUN1887 with taller (8.5mm) figures.

Squared Circles in use: NOV1880 to JUL1889

259 WALMER

Sub Office of Dover 1844 to 1864, Sub Office of Deal 1864 to present.

Town Sub Office of Deal from 1935.

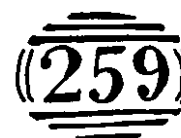
Walmer was allocated 259 in the 1844 to 1857 lists, 259 then was allocated to New Walsingham (Norf) 1882 to 1906 lists and finally Droylsden (Lancs) in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 11 MAY1844 to 15 OCT1855 Price F £50

Occurs with a Walmer cud. and Dover transit cds

1844 in yellow brown Used on 3 OCT1850 Also seen in blue

Squared Circles in use: NOV1883 to JUL1891



1844
APR1844

KENT 264

264 WOOLWICH

London District Post 1844 to 1857, South Eastern District 1857 to 1879.

Used number 21 in a London style numeral cancel.

Stopped using London district initials in 1875.

Provisional style cancel issued in 1874 and used up to 1904.

Head Post Office in its own District in London 1876 to 1879, moved to the Kent Provincial area in 1879, Head Post Office in Kent 1879 to 1913.

Moved into the London Metropolitan Area in 1913.

Woolwich was allocated number 264 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

Number 264 was first allocated to Dunchurch (Warwks) 1844 to 1857 and later to Erington, Birmingham 1924 to 1962.



21A
MAY1844

London District Post Oval:-

21A Used from 11 JUN1844 to 17 APR1874 Price E £100 Occurs in black and blue



3VOS
DEC1874



3VOS
MAY1887

3VOS Used from 9 OCT1883 to 31 JUL1890 Price H £60+

Six were proofed at the same time on 28 DEC1874.



4VOD
DEC1874



4VOD
FEB1875

4VOD Used from 14 APR1875 to 14 DEC1899

Codes: A B C D E F J AA AC AD AJ BA CC EA GE H1 H2

Price A £6 pre 1 SEP1879, £3 afterwards. Five were proofed on 24 DEC1874, the size of the serif varies.

May have used A B C H as handstamp identification letters.



3VOD
SEP1879

3VOD Used from 1 OCT1879 to 1 NOV1894 Codes: B C D E F G H J BA DA D1 EA G1 G2 H2 II Price A £3. Seven proofed between SEP1876 & OCT1886

Numbers cut into basal bars:-

3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars) Time in asterisk code Used from 30 NOV1894 to 2 SEP1896
Codes: CD*P KA*P M*P Price H £25

3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars) Time in full Used from 21 MAY1898 to 10 NOV1899
Times: 230AM 315PM 8PM 1115PM Price F £10

4VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars) Time in asterisk code Used from 18 SEP1895 to 1 SEP1896
Codes: LL*A BE*A LI*A AC*P EL*P H*P Price G £15

4VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars) Time in full Used from 7 JUL1898 to 5 DEC1899
Times: 230AM 730AM 1015AM 1145AM 115AM 3PM 545PM 8PM Price C £3

3VOD5 (5 cut in basal bars) Time in asterisk code Used from 1 NOV1894 to 2 SEP1896
Codes: KC*A GL*P H*P M*P Price H £20

3VOD5 (5 cut in basal bars) Time in full Used from 31 MAR1897 to 10 AUG1904
Times: 115AM 5PM 530PM 545PM 6PM 745PM 8PM Price D £5

3VOD7 (7 cut in basal bars) Used from 27 MAR1897 to 5 SEP1899
Times: 6PM 8PM 945PM Price H £20

3VOD8 (8 cut in basal bars) Used from 23 OCT1896 to 31 DEC1904
Times: 215AM 230AM 1015AM 1130AM 3PM 315PM 330PM 4PM 515PM 530PM 545PM 745PM 8PM 1030PM 11PM Price C £3 Early eight's are 2.5mm high, later ones 3.5mm.

3VOD9 (9 cut in basal bars) Used from 24 SEP1895 to 7 DEC1903
Times: 230AM 1145AM 545PM 8PM Price F £10

4VOD10 (10 cut in basal bars) Used from 13 JUL1898 to 30 OCT1904
Times: 2AM 215AM 845AM 15AM 1PM 2PM 3PM 315PM 415PM 5PM 530PM 545PM 6PM 745PM 8PM Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: DEC1893 to AUG1907

289 Marden

Marden was allocated G84 in 1887 to 1906 lists and 289 in the 1963 list.

301 FAVERSHAM

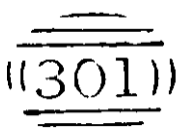
Head Post Office 1844 onwards

Faversham was allocated number 301 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Spelling changed from Feversham to Faversham in 1860.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
JUL1854



3HOS
JAN1858

KENT 301-303

1844 Used from 8 MAY1844 to 19 MAY1854 Price F £20
3HOS Used from 20 MAR1855 to 15 APR1861 Price F £15



3HOSX
MAY1861



3TH.HOS
JAN1865

3HOSX (Error of number 291) Used from 10 MAY1861 to 17 JUL1863 Price H £150
3TH.HOS Used from 20 DEC1865 to 8 JUL1868 Price H £50

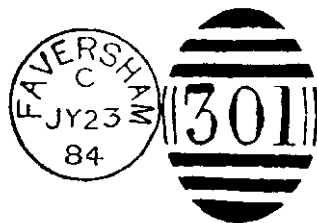


4VODA
SEP1868



4VODB
MAR1876

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 1 MAY1869 to 12 JAN1877 Codes: B C 2 3 Price B £3
4VODB (Flat top three) Time in code Used from 18 MAY1876 to 13 OCT1880 Codes: A C
 Price E £6
4VODB (Flat top three) Time in full Used from 4 AUG1897 to 13 MAY1905
 Times: 9AM 915AM 12PM 125PM 1215PM 1245PM 2PM 25PM 215PM 245PM 45PM 430PM
 6PM 615PM 7PM 745PM 9PM 95PM 915PM 9M Price A £3



3VOD
JUL1884

3VOD Time in code Used from 8 AUG1884 to 10 JAN1894 Codes: A C F Price F £10
3VOD Time in full Used from 21 MAY1896 to 18 OCT1909
 Times: 1215AM 9AM 125PM 25PM 315PM 415PM 445PM 6PM 615PM 715PM 745PM 8PM
 9PM 915PM 1245PM Price A £3
 Squared Circles in use: JAN1881 to JUN1916

303 FOLKESTONE

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

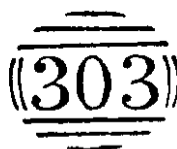
Folkestone allocated number 303 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 552 Sandgate 1844 to 1880. F46 Shorncliffe Camp 1871 to 1885.

KENT 303



1844
APR1844



3HOS
MAY1859

1844 Used from 19 SEP1844 to 3 FEB1857 Price D £8

3HOS Used on 11 DEC1859 Price H £30



3VOS
SEP1873



3VOS
SEP1873



SDWYSII
MAR1857

3VOS Used from 23 AUG1891 to 18 SEP1905 Price H £50

SDWYS II Used from 9 APR1857 to 8 DEC1857 Codes: B D none Price F £60



SDWYSVIII
DEC1857



SDWYSVIII
FEB1861



SDYWVIII
FEB1870

SDWYS VIII Used from 8 JAN1858 to 30 DEC1879 Codes: A B C D E F G H 2 Price A £6



3CD
DEC1860



4VOD
JAN1870

3CD Used from 14 APR1861 to 28 JUL1872 Codes: A B C E F G M Price B £3

Five proofed between DEC1860 & APR1868

4VOD Used from 3 FEB1870 to 15 JUL1880 Codes: B C D E F G H Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: MAY1881 to OCT1898

313 Gillingham

Gillingham was allocated 313 in the 1924 list and 650A in 1929 to 1962.

KENT 322

322 GRAVESEND

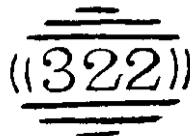
Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Gravesend allocated number 322 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- B03 Northfleet 1844 to 1890 then a Town Receiving House.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
MAY1852

1844 Used from 8 MAY1844 to 25 NOV1851 Price B £5

3HOS Used from 10 DEC1852 to 11 MAR1857 Price F £20

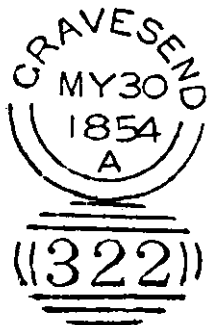


3VOS
MAY1875



3VOS
MAY1875

3VOS Used from 24 DEC1918 to 25 FEB1951 Price H £25



SDWYSII
MAY1854

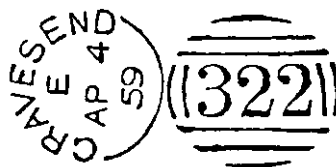


SDWYSII
FEB1857

SDWYS II Used from 11 JUL1854 to 6 NOV1857 Codes: A B C D none Price E £40
Seen in blue-green

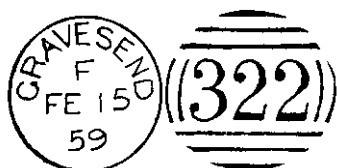


SDWYSVIII
NOV1857



SDWYSVIII
APR1859

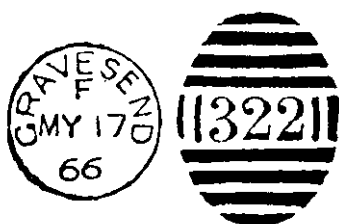
SDWYS VIII Used from 11 NOV1857 to 31 DEC1862 Codes: C D E Price E £40



3CD
FEB1859

KENT 322-356

3CD Used from 24 MAR1859 to 6 JAN1866 Codes: A B C D E F Price B £3



4VODA
MAY1866



4VODA
DEC1870

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 6 AUG1866 to 21 NOV1876 Codes: A B C E F
Price A £3



4VODB
JAN1872



4VODB
MAY1875

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 10 JAN1872 to 12 DEC1883 Codes: A B C D E F
Price A £3



3VOD
FEB1879

3VOD Used from 29 MAR1879 to 4 MAR1913 Codes: A B C E F G none(xmas) Price D £8
Squared Circles in use: JAN1881 to OCT1907

356 CHARING

Sub Office of Maidstone 1844 to 1856, Sub Office of Ashford 1856 to present.

Charing was allocated 356 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 356 was first allocated to Nettlebed (Oxon) 1844 to 1857 then later to Hebden Bridge (Yorks) 1924 to 1962.



4VOD
MAR1875

4VOD Time in code Used from 9 SEP1875 to 11 JAN1894

Codes: A B Price E £10

4VOD Time in full Used from 8 DEC1900 to 30 APR1912

Times: 10AM 1045AM 530PM 8PM 530 Price B £8 on cover, £3 on ppc

KENT 379

366 Herne Bay

Herne Bay was allocated B39 in the 1882 to 1924 lists and 366 in 1925 to 1962.

379 CHARLTON

London District Post 1844 to 1857, in the South Eastern District with Old Charlton as the main Receiving House for Charlton Sub District from 1857 to 1879.

The entire Woolwich District, including Charlton moved from London to the Kent Provincial area in AUG1879. Prior to this move out of London, Charlton had ceased using District initials in 1875 with the issue of 379 3VOS in a provincial style.

Whilst in Kent, Charlton was an Independent Sub Office 1879 to 1902, in 1902 became a Town Receiving House of Charlton Branch Office (what was called Church Lane prior to 1902). Subsequently moved back to the London Metropolitan area in JUN1913.

Old Charlton was allocated 379 in the lists from 1882 to 1892.
Church Lane, Old Charlton was allocated number J85 in the lists from 1892 to 1902.
Woolwich Road, Old Charlton was allocated number J86 in the lists from 1892 to 1902.
Number 379 first allocated to Old Bolingbroke (Lincs) 1844 to 1857 after Charlton to Hetton le Hole, Durham 1924 to 1962 and finally Garstang (Lancs) in the 1963 list.



12B.A
MAY1861

London Suburban Oval:-

12B.A No dated copies recorded Price H* £250 (Price if found on dated cover)



3VOS*
APR1875



3VOS
APR1875

3VOS Used from 10 NOV1875 to SEP1879 Price G £80+
3VOS* sent to Old Charlton in 1875



3VODA
MAR1879

3VODA (Charlton in cds) Used from 15 JAN1880 to 5 NOV1892 Code: D Price H £80+
3VODA sent to Old Charlton in MAR1879 it would appear that this should have had Old Charlton in the cds rather than Charlton, however it continued in use for some time after its replacement 3VODB was issued in AUG1879

KENT 379-385

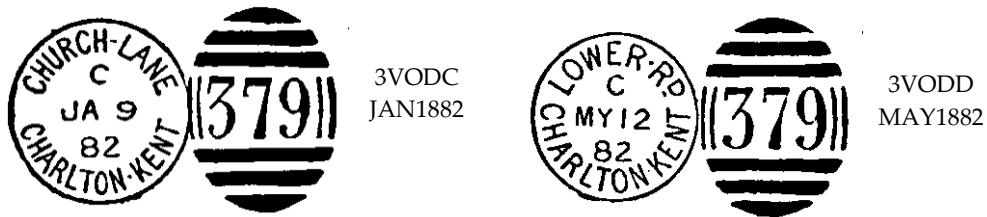


3VODB (Old Charlton in cds) Time in code Used from 21 SEP1881 to 25 JAN1902

Codes: A B C D E F G Price D £25

3VODB (Old Charlton in cds) Time in full Used from 22 OCT1895 to MAY1896

Time: 945AM 510PM Price H £25



Sub Offices of Old Charlton:-

3VODC (Church Lane Charlton Kent in cds) Used from 18 JUN1888 to 10 NOV1894

Codes: A C E Price F £40

Church Lane Old Chalton became Charlton BO in 1902. Used J85 from JUL1891 to APR1900

3VODD (Lower Rd Charlton Kent in cds) Used from 10 AUG1882 to 21 NOV1890

Codes: B C D E Price F £40

Lower Road Old Charlton replaced by Woolwich Road in 1892 Used J86 from SEP1892 to MAY1898

385 SHOOTERS HILL

It is assumed that an 1844 type cancel number 771 was issued in APR 1844 for crosspost mail for the General Post, this duty ceased in May 1844.

Shooters Hill was in London District Post 1844 to 1857, then in the London South Eastern District under Woolwich 1857 to 1870, then it's own Suburban District 1870 to 1879.

Stopped using London district initials in 1875 and started using the provincial number 385 in 1875.

Moved with Woolwich into the Kent Provincial area in 1879. Independent Sub Office 1879 to 1896, Town Receiving House of Woolwich from 1896.

Moved to the London Metropolitan Area in 1913, closed by 1995.

Shooters Hill was allocated number 771 in the 1844 to 1857 Provincial lists, 73 in the London lists in 1874 and then 385 in the Provincial 1882 to 1887 lists.



London Suburban Oval:-

73A GPO



3VOS
APR1875

3VOS Used from 28 APR1875 to 30 DEC1895 Price G £100+

386 WELLING

London District Post 1844 to 1857, then in the South Eastern District 1857 to 1879.

Issued 22B in a London style cancel in 1861.

Stopped using district initials in 1875, a 3VOD number 386 issued in the provincial style in 1875, it was first used in South Eastern District then also whilst in the Kent Provincial Area.

Moved with Woolwich into the Kent Provincial Area in 1879. Independent Sub Office 1879 to present.

Welling was allocated number 386 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

Number 386 was first allocated to Barrow on Humber (Lincs) 1844 to 1857. Then after Welling to Heanor (Derbys) in the 1925 to 1962 lists.



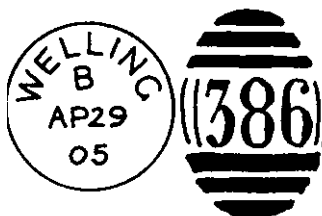
22B.A
MAY1861

London Suburban Oval:-

22B.A No dated copies recorded Price H* £250 (Price if found on dated cover)



3VOS
APR1875



3VOD
NOV1879

3VOS Used from 23 DEC1876 to 11 SEP1882 Price H £80

3VOD Used from 26 DEC1888 to 26 DEC1906 Codes: A B C E Price B £15 on cover, £3 on ppc

KENT 388-389

388 BEXLEY HEATH

London District Post 1844 to 1857, then in the South Eastern District from 1857 to 1879.

Ceased using district initials in 1875, a 385 3VOS in the provincial style was issued in 1875 and used until 1900.

Moved with Woolwich to the Kent Provincial Area in 1879, Independent Sub Office 1879 to 1904, Railway Sub Office 1904 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present.

Bexley Heath was allocated number 388 in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

Number 388 was first allocated to Marsden (Yorks) 1844 to 1857.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 389 Bexley 1879 to 1886. 397 Crayford 1879 to 1892.

913 Crook Log 1879 to 1985



3VOS
APR1875



3VOD
NOV1879

3VOS Used from 21 AUG1875 to 1 JAN1880 Price G £60

3VOD Time in code Used from 16 MAR1885 to 4 AUG1894 Codes: A B C D Price G £20

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 1 FEB1895 to 1 NOV1897

Codes: M*A D*P HD*P HG*P K*P M*P Price E £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 27 JAN1898 to 26 JAN1900

Times: 1210PM 1215PM 8PM **810PM** 815PM 10PM Price G £15

389 BEXLEY

London District Post 1844 to 1857, then in the South Eastern District 1857 to 1879.

Used 20 in London style cancellations.

Ceased using district initials in 1875, the Woolwich District, - including Bexley - moved to Kent Provincial area in 1879.

Bexley used Provincial number 389 whilst in South Eastern District and in the Kent Provincial Area.

Sub Office of Bexley Heath 1879 to 1886, Independent Sub Office 1886 to 1904, Railway Sub Office 1904 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present.

Bexley was allocated number 389 in the lists from 1882 to 1962.

Number 389 was first allocated to Slaithwaite (Yorks) 1844 to 1857.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 913 Crook Log 1878 to 1879.



23A
MAY1844



23B
JAN1858

London District Post and Suburban Ovals:-

23A Used from 1848 to 20 NOV1855 Price G £250

23B Used on 12 APR1858 Price H £200

Squared Circles in use: OCT1881 to MAY1905

KENT 389-398



3VOS
APR1875



3VOS
JUL1880

3VOS Used from 1 NOV1878 to 10 MAR1880 Price G £80+

397 CRAYFORD

London District Post 1844 to 1857, then in the South Eastern District 1857 to 1879.

Sub Office of Bexley which moved into the Kent Provincial Area in 1879.

Ceased using district initials in 1875 when the 397 3VOS was issued.

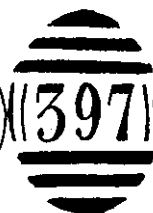
Sub Office of Bexley Heath 1879 to 1892, Independent Sub Office 1892 to 1915, Town Sub Office of Dartford 1915 to 1947, Branch Office of Dartford 1947 to present.

Crayford was allocated number 397 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

Number 397 was first allocated to Buckden (Hunts) 1844 to 1857. Then later to Huyton (Lancs) 1924 to 1962.



3VOS
APR1875



3VOD
DEC1879

3VOS Used from 9 JUN1875 to 19 AUG1882 Price H £80+

3VOD Time in code Used from 4 FEB1880 to 3 FEB1896 Codes: A B C D G Price F £12

3VOD Time in full Used from 4 AUG1898 to 30 MAY1906

Times: 9AM 10AM 1215PM 5PM 615PM 9PM 10PM 1015PM Price B £3

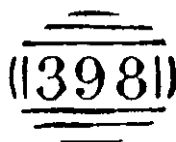
398 HYTHE

Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1994.

Hythe allocated number 398 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



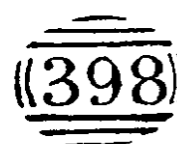
1844
APR1844



3HOS
MAR1857



3HOS
APR1861



3HOS
APR1861

1844 Used from 2 MAY1844 to 18 NOV1855 Price F £15

3HOS Used from 16 OCT1857 to 2 OCT1880 Price D £8

KENT 398-403



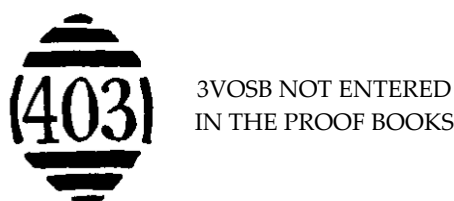
4VOD Used from 24 JUN1870 to 9 FEB1878 Codes: C D Price E £15
3VOD Time in code Used from 22 MAR1878 to 8 DEC1894 Codes: A B D E Price D £6
3VOD Time in full Used from 15 OCT1895 to 2 OCT1903
 Times: 1115AM 1145AM 1PM 115PM 645PM 7PM 9PM 915PM 945PM Price A £6 on cover, £3 on ppc. All have single side arcs.

403 ERITH

In London District Post then the South Eastern District to 1879. Started using Provincial number 403 in 1875. Became part of the Woolwich District in 1877 and moved with it into the Kent Provincial area in 1879. Independent Sub Office 1879 to present.
 Erith was allocated number 403 in the 1882 to 1962 lists. Previously 403 was allocated to Rayleigh, Essex from 1844 to 1857.



London Suburban Oval:-
14B.A GPO



3VOSA (Flat top three) Used from 16 AUG1875 to 26 AUG1879 Price E £35
3VOSB (Round top three) Used on 5 JAN1878 Price H £60



3VOD Time in code Used from 2 FEB1880 to 1 APR1895 Codes: B C D none Price D £12
3VOD Time in full Used from 1 NOV1897 to 13 OCT1907
 Times: 845AM 1145AM 245PM 3PM 430PM 5PM 8PM 9PM 1015PM 1030PM 11PM 815 1115
 Price A £12 on cover, £3 on ppc.

KENT 404-412

404 BELVEDERE

In London South Eastern District 1871 to 1879.

Ceased using London district initials in the address in 1875 (404 issued in 1875).

Moved with Woolwich into the Kent Provincial area in 1879.

Sub Office of Lessness Heath 1871 to 1883.

In 1883 Belvedere changed its name to Picardy, at the same time Lessness Heath became Belvedere SO.

Belvedere SO was a Independent Sub Office 1883 to 1901, then a Town Receiving House of Belvedere Station 1901 to 1907, in 1907 the Office was renamed Bexley Road.

Belvedere was allocated number 404 in the 1882 to 1906 lists and 201 from 1924 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 412 Picardy Belvedere 1883 to 1894



3VOS
APR1875



3VOD
MAR1880



404 IRONBRIDGE ERROR OF
NUMBER

3VOS Used from 1 FEB1876 to 20 OCT1879 Price G £80+

3VOD Used from 24 MAY1880 to 15 AUG1891 Codes: B C D E Price G £60+

412 LESSNESS HEATH

South Eastern District of London 1857 to 1879.

Ceased using London District initials in 1875 (412 issued in 1875).

Moved with Woolwich into the Kent Provincial area in 1879.

Independent Sub Office 1879 to 1883.

In 1883 Belvedere changed its name to Picardy, at the same time Lessness Heath became Belvedere SO which was a Independent Sub Office 1883 to 1901, then a Town Receiving House of Belvedere Station 1901 to 1907. In 1907 the Office was renamed Bexley Road.

Number 412 was allocated to Bowness (Westmd.) in 1844 to 1857, Lessness Heath 1882, Picardy Belvedere 1887 to 1899 and Kirton (Lincs) 1924 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 404 Belvedere 1871 to 1880.



16B.A
MAY1861

London Suburban Oval

16B.A No dated copies recorded Price H* £250 (Price if found on dated cover)

KENT 412-423



3VOS
MAY1875



3VOD
OCT1879

3VOS Used from 5 OCT1875 to 23 FEB1878 Price H £100+

3VOD Used from 24 DEC1879 to 15 SEP1881 Code: C Einv Price H £100+

412 PICARDY BELVEDERE

Before 1883 called Belvedere.

Picardy was a Sub Office of the new Belvedere SO (previously called Lessness Heath) from 1883 to 1901. A Town Receiving House of Belvedere SO from 1894, closed 1901.

Replaced by the office at Belvedere Station.

To avoid confusion both the subordinate office Picardy and the office that it reported to Belvedere are in the cds.



3VOS
MAY1883



3VOD
MAY1883

3VOS Used from 28 JUL1876 to 7 JUN1881 Price H £80+

3VOD Time in code Used from 21 SEP1883 to 21 APR1898 Codes: A B C D E Price F £40

3VOD Time in full Used from 7 JUN1898 to 6 JUL1901

Times: 11AM 445PM 9PM 1045PM 11PM Price F £40

423 NEW CHARLTON

In London South Eastern District 1857 to 1879.

Ceased using London District initials 1875 (423 3VOS was issued in 1875).

Moved with Woolwich into the Kent Provincial area in 1879.

Sub Office of Old Charlton 1879 to 1902, Town Receiving House of Old Charlton 1895 to 1902.

Town Receiving House of Charlton 1902 onwards.

Moved to the London Metropolitan Area in 1913.

Number allocated to Kirby Lonsdale (Westmd) 1844 to 1857, New Charlton 1882 to 1899, Keynsham Bristol 1949 to 1962.



3VOS
MAY1875



3VOD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

KENT 423-427

3VOS Used from 30 OCT1877 to 28 SEP1888 Price H £80+

The recorded copies have single side arcs.

3VOD Used from 7 FEB1893 to 9 DEC1902 Codes: A C D F Price F £40

426 LAMBERHURST

Sub Office of Canterbury 1844 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1904, Sub Office of Wadhurst Station Road 1904 to 1905, Post Town 1905 to 1916, Sub Office of Tunbridge Wells 1916 to present.

Moved from Sussex to Kent in 1900.

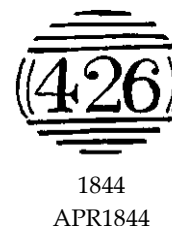
Lamberhurst was allocated number 426 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and then number 580 from 1882 to 1906.

Number 426 was later allocated to Crow Hill (Heref) 1882 to 1887

Hassocks (Sussex) 1928 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 450 Northiam 1844.

1844 Used from 3 SEP1848 to **26 FEB1855** Price H £100+



427 HAWKHURST

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1869. Head Post Office 1869 to 1917. Salaried Sub Office 1917 to 1985. Sub Office of Cranbrook 1985 to present

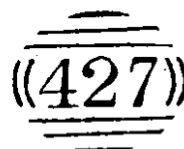
Hawkhurst allocated number 427 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices that used barred numerals:- 54 Battle 1869 to 1873. E79 Burwash 1869 to 1884.

E81 Etchingam 1869 to 1873. 823 Hailsham 1869 to 1873. 580 Lamberhurst 1869 to 1880.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
JUN1855

1844 in black Used from 24 DEC1844 to 13 JAN1854 Price G £30

Occurs with a Hawkhurst cud. and a Staplehurst transit cds

1844 in blue Used from 26 MAY1855 to 7 JUN1855 Note later dates than in black.

3HOS Used from **7 JUN1857** to 19 OCT 1857 Price H £40



4VOS
DEC1871

4VOS Used on 29 OCT1879 Price H £40

KENT 427-429



4VODA (Serif on the base of the 4) Used from 27 NOV1869 to 29 JUN1887
Codes: A C D E F I Price A £3



4VODB (No serif on the 4) Used from 29 JUN1882 to 17 NOV1884 Code: C Price F £15



3VOD Time in code Used from 8 SEP1878 to 5 AUG1894
Codes: C D E F G Price A £3

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 6 SEP1894 to 6 SEP1895
Codes: MA*A DC*P KD*P LF*P Price H £25

3VOD Time in full Used from 17 NOV1895 to 5 APR1898

Times: 1210AM 1215AM 9AM 10AM Price F £8 All have single side arcs
Squared Circles in use: NOV1880 to JUN1898

429 NEWENDEN

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to 1880,
Sub Office of Rye 1880 to 1894, Independent Sub Office 1894 to 1928,
Sub Office of Northiam 1928, Sub Office of Sandhurst 1928 to 1941,
Sub Office of Hawkhurst 1941 to 1985, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1985 to
1992, closed 1992

Newenden allocated number 429 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 429 later allocated to Broxbourne (Herts) 1882 to 1906 and Jarrow,
Durham 1928 to 1962.



1844
APR1844

1844 Used from 12 JUL1853 to 18AUG1855 Price G £80+

Occurs with a Newenden cud. and a Staplehurst transit cds.

KENT 430-433

430 HEADCORN

Sub Office of Maidstone 1844 to 1846, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1846 to 1870, Sub Office of Ashford 1870 to present.
Headcorn allocated number 430 in the 1882 to 1924 lists.
Number 430 first allocated to Northiam (Sussex) 1844 to 1857 then after Headcorn to East Kirkby (Notts) 1937 to 1962.

4VOD Used from 26 OCT1889 to 3 AUG1908

Codes: A B C D none Price A £12 on cover, £3 on ppc.



4VOD
JUN1875

431 WYE

Sub Office of Ashford 1844 onwards.
Wye allocated number 431 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.
Number 431 first allocated to Peasmarsh (Sussex) 1844 to 1857, then after Wye to Knighton (Radnor) 1929 to 1962.

4VOD Used from 29 SEP1879 to 30 DEC1907

Codes: A B C D E F none Price A £12 on cover, £3 on ppc.



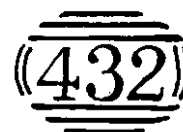
4VOD
JUN1875

432 ROLVENDEN

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to 1911, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1911 to present.
Rolvenden allocated 432 in the 1844 to 1857 lists then later number 576 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.
Number 432 later allocated to Croesgoch (Pem) 1882 to 1906, then Laidon, Essex 1948 to 1959 and Longridge (Lancs) 1963.

1844 Used from 4 JUL1844 to 6 NOV1858 Price G £80+

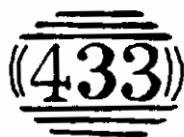
Occurs with a Rolvenden cud. and a Staplehurst or Cranbrook transit cds.



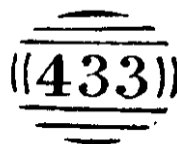
1844
APR1844

433 SANDHURST

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1869, Sub Office of Hawkhurst 1869 to 1928, Post Town 1928 to 1941, Sub Office of Hawkhurst 1941 to 1985, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1985 to present.
Sandhurst allocated number 433 in the 1844 to 1857 lists.
Number 432 later allocated to Maesteg (Glam) 1882 to 1962.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
FEB1857

1844 Used from 26 SEP1844 to 31 JAN1857 Price G £80+

Occurs with a Sandhurst cud. and a Staplehurst transit cds. Seen in blue.

3HOS Used on 2 MAY1857 Price H £80+ with a Hurst Green cds

KENT 489-493

489 HILDENBOROUGH

Sub Office of Tunbridge 1845 onwards.
 Hildenborough allocated number 489 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.
 Number 489 first allocated to Burnham (Norfolk) 1844 to 1857
 then after Hildenborough to Lymm (Cheshire) 1924 to 1962.

4VOD Used from 9 JUL1890 to 6 JAN1909 Codes: A B C D
 Price B £12 on cover, £3 on ppc.



4VOD
AUG1875

490 HAM STREET

Sub Office of Ashford 1848 onwards.
 Ham Street allocated number 490 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.
 Number 490 first allocated to Holkham (Norfolk) 1844 to 1857,
 then after Ham Street to Mablethorpe (Lincs) 1950 to 1959.

4VOD Used from 26 OCT1892 to 24 DEC1910
 Codes: A B C D Price E £30 on cover, £20 on ppc.



4VOD
AUG1875

493 MAIDSTONE

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.
 Maidstone allocated 493 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.
Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- C91 West Malling 1844 to 1892.
D07 Yalding 1873 onwards



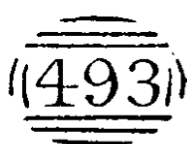
1844
APR1844



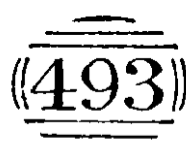
3HOS
SEP1849



3HOS OC-
T1851



3HOS
JUN1854



3HOS
SEP1857



3HOS
AUG1861

1844 in black Used from 2 JUN1844 to 29 AUG1849 Price C £5

1844 in blue Used from 1849 to MAY1850

3HOS Used from 18 SEP1849 to 1 DEC1855 Price D £6

Unlike the 1844 type the 3HOSs do not have serifs on the central bar of the figure four.
 All five Proofed copies are now illustrated:

3HOS in blue Used on 10 MAY1850



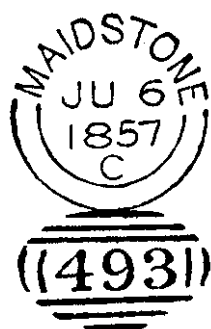
4VOS
DEC1870



3VOS
JAN1874

4VOS GPO

3VOS Used from 4 MAY1896 to 1957 Price F £25 pre 1900 / £15 post 1900



SDWYS II Used from 14 JUN1854 to 13 AUG1858 Codes: A B C D 8 none Price A £8.
 All of the Proof Book entries of the Maidstone sideways duplex cancels are illustrated.
 They range in width of the cds from 23mm to 26mm, they are thus all type II.
 Type III are smaller, the width of the cds varies from 20mm to 22mm.
SDWYS II in blue Used in 1857



3CD
AUG1861



4CD
NOV1863

3CD Used from 21 MAY1858 to 15 JUN1870 Codes: A B C D E F Price A £3
 Twelve were proofed between FEB1858 & MAR1870.

4CD Used from 22 NOV1863 to 12 MAR1872 Codes: B C D E F G H Price A £3
 Two were proofed between NOV1863 & DEC1868



4VOD
MAY1872



4VOD
SEP1876

KENT 493

4VOD Used from 13 MAY1872 to 13 DEC1889 Codes: C D E Einv F G H I J L M Price A £3



3VOD Time in code Used from 6 APR1879 to 14 NOV1894 Codes: C D E F G H I J K L M N Price A £3

3VOD Time in full Used from 12 MAR1895 to 3 DEC1903

Times: 1015AM 1145AM 1230PM 245PM 345PM 5PM 630PM 730PM 815PM 915PM 10PM 1045PM 11PM Price B £3



3VODA (Single side arcs) Time in code Used from 16 MAR1893 to 22 JAN1895

Code: K M Price G £6

3VODA (Single side arcs) Time in full Used from 8 JUL1895 to 25 OCT1899

Times: 245PM 330PM 630PM 10PM Price D £3



MAIDSTONE STATION

Sorting Office 1884 to c.1899, closed c.1899.

3VODS (Station Office in the cds) Time in code Used from 31 OCT1884 to 20 DEC1898

Codes: G H I J L M N AN5 XZ Price D £30

3VODS (Station Office in the cds) Time in full Used from 11 MAY1899 to 1 DEC1899

Times: 1145AM 245PM 330PM 630PM 10PM Price F £30

496 Farnborough

Farnborough was allocated J16 in the 1892 to 1906 lists then 514 in a Feb 1950 list and 496 from 1956 to 1959.

The allocation of number 514 in 1950, might have been in error as Melton Constable had number 514 in the 1949 to 1962 lists.

KENT 506

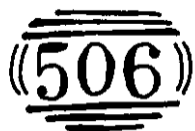
506 MARGATE

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Margate allocated 506 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices that used barred numerals:- G74 Birchington 1844 to 1886.

G48 Westgate on Sea 1873 to 1886.



1844
APR1844



3VOS
MAR1887

1844 Used from 27 MAY1844 to 12 JUL1855 Price D £8

1844 in blue Used in APR1846

1844 in yellow brown Used in APR1846

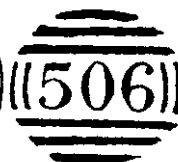
3VOS GPO



SDWYSII
NOV1855



3CD
SEP1858



3CD
FEB1863

SDWYS II Used from 13 FEB1856 to 10 SEP1858 Codes: A C Price C £10

3CD Used from 17 SEP1856 to 26 MAR1886 Codes: A B C D E Price A £3

In the late 70's and 80's they have very thick bars – a unique style – price £6.

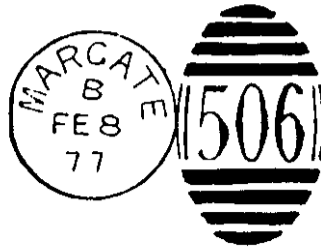


4VODA
MAY1868

4VODA (Straight Margate) Used from 2 JUL1868 to 17 APR1886 Codes: A B C D E

Price A £3

KENT 506



4VODB
FEB1877

4VODB (Curved Margate) Time in code Used from 2 APR1877 to 7 MAY1892

Codes: A B C D F Price C £3

4VODB (Curved Margate) Time in full Used from 3 SEP1896 to 20 JUN1900

Times: 630AM 745AM 1030AM 1130AM 1230PM 3PM 5PM 6PM 815PM 915PM Price C £3



3VOD
MAR1882

3VOD Time in code Used from 16 DEC1882 to 15 SEP1900 Codes: A B C D E F G H
Price B £3

3VOD Time in full Used from 11 MAR1895 to 17 DEC1902

Times: 630AM 930AM 1030AM 1130AM 1230PM 3PM 4PM 410PM 430PM 6PM 7PM 745PM
8PM 815PM 915PM 945PM 1030PM Price A £3

3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars) Used from 5 JUL1895 to 16 AUG1902

Times: 930AM 1030AM 11AM 1230PM 3PM 615PM 815PM 945PM Price B £3

Squared Circles in use: MAR1887 to JUN1906

NORTHUMBERLAND ROAD

Town Receiving House of Margate 1868 to 1901.

Replaced by Paragon in 1901.

3VODN (Northumberland Rd Margate in the cds)

Used from 15 SEP1884 to 9 AUG1888 Codes: A C D

Price H £80

Squared Circles in use: SEP1889 to OCT1892



3VODN
JUN1884

514 Farnborough

Farnborough was allocated J16 in the 1892 to 1906 lists then 514 in a FEB 1950 list and 496 in 1956 to 1959.

The allocation of number 514 in 1950, might have been in error as Melton Constable had number 514 in the 1949 to 1962 lists.

KENT 552-566

552 SANDGATE

Sub Office of Folkestone 1844 to 1880, Independent Sub Office 1880 to 1923, Town Sub Office of Folkestone 1923 to present.

Sandgate allocated number 552 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and 748 in the 1924 list.

Number 552 first allocated to Lane Delph (Staffs) then after Sandgate to New Malden, Surrey in 1924 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- F46 Shorncliffe Camp 1885 to 1916.



3VOS
AUG1875



4VOD
AUG1875

3VOS GPO

4VOD Used from 4 APR1877 to 2 DEC1896 Codes: B C **E** F Price F £25



3VOD
MAY1885

3VOD Time in code Used from 13 JUL1887 to 7 DEC1894 Codes: B C E I Price F £10

3VOD Time in full Used from 11 JUN1896 to 11 JUN1904

Times: 915AM 1115AM 2PM 4PM 515PM 630PM 645PM 745PM 8PM 10PM Price B £3

566 NEW ROMNEY

Head Post Office 1844 to 1873, Independent Sub Office 1873 to 1941, Sub Office of Ashford 1941 to 1955, Post Town 1955 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Office in 1990.

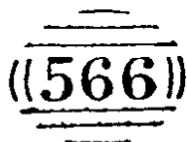
New Romney allocated 566 in the lists from 1844 to 1906 and 986 in the 1959 list.

Number 566 later allocated to Newquay, Cornwall in 1925 to 1962.

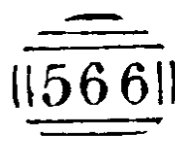
Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- K40 Littlestone 1890 to 1897.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
MAY1858



3HOS
MAY1858

1844 Used from 10 JUL1844 to 24 MAR1857 Price F £25

3HOS Used from 28 SEP1858 to 6 OCT1859 Price H £40 Seen in blue

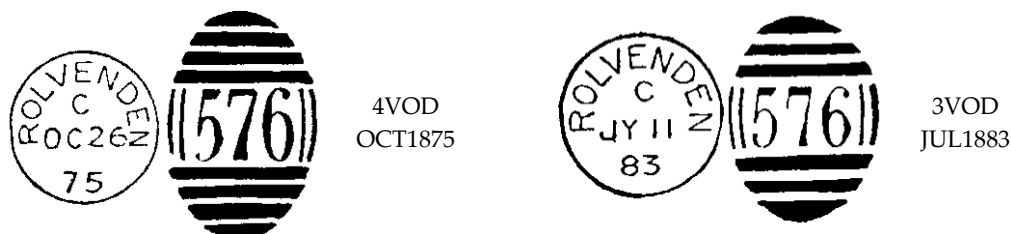
KENT 566-578



3VOD Used from 8 APR1893 to 3 NOV1906 Codes: A B C D Dinv none
Price C £8 cover, £3 on ppc.

576 ROLVENDEN

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to present.
Rolvenden allocated 432 in the 1844 to 1857 lists then later number 576 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.
Number 576 was first allocated to Acle, Norfolk in 1844 to 1857, then Northenden, Cheshire in 1946 to 1947 finally to Wythenshawe, Cheshire in 1947 to 1962.



4VOD Time in code Used from 15 JUN1878 to 3 AUG1893 Code: A B Price G £15

4VOD Time in full Used from 27 JAN1898 to 24 SEP1915

Times: 9AM 915AM 6PM 8PM 9PM 9 none Price A £3

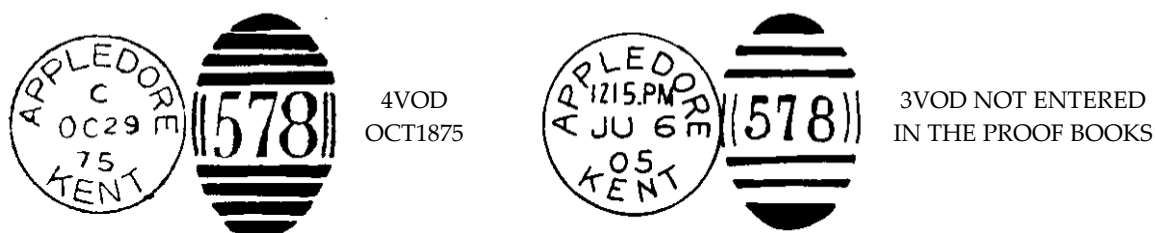
3VOD Used from 6 MAR1884 to 2 FEB1893 Code: B Price G £30

578 APPLIEDORE

Sub Office of Tenterden 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1855 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to present.

Appledore was allocated number 578 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 578 was first allocated to Loddon, Norfolk 1844 to 1857, then Patricroft (Lancs) 1928 to 1951, then Pontnewydd (Monm) 1951 to 1959 and Cwmbran (Monm) 1962.



KENT 578-584

4VOD Used from 6 JUL1876 to 26 AUG1903

Codes: A B Price H £50 on cover, £30 ppc.

3VOD Used from 23 DEC1904 to 25 JUL1910

Times: 1215PM 1230PM 330PM 515PM 545PM Price E £20

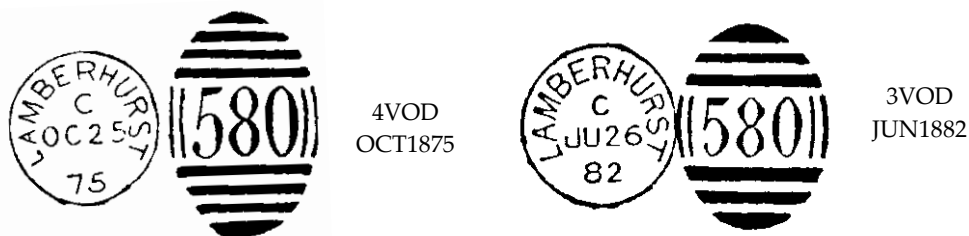
580 LAMBERHURST

Sub Office of Canterbury 1844 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1904, Sub Office of Wadhurst Station Road 1904 to 1905, Post Town 1905 to 1916, Sub Office of Tunbridge Wells 1916 to present.

Moved from Sussex to Kent in 1900.

Lamberhurst was allocated number 426 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and then number 580 from 1882 to 1906.

Number 580 was first allocated to Reepham, Norfolk 1844 to 1857, then Lamberhurst, followed by Pentre, Rhondda (Glam) in 1929 to 1962.



4VOD Used from 16 JAN1878 to JUN1882 Codes: B Price G £50

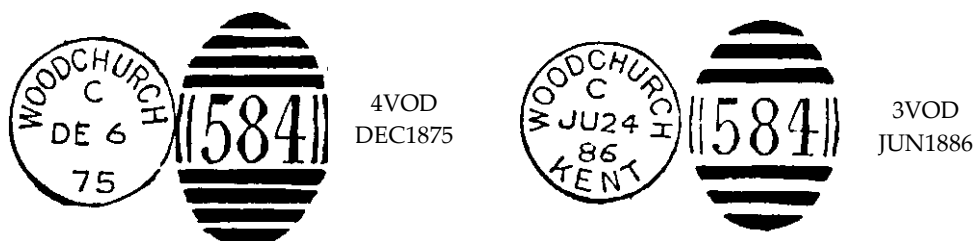
3VOD Used from 11 MAY1885 to 25 JUL1910 Code: B Price G £50

584 WOODCHURCH

Sub Office of Tenterden 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1855 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to present.

Woodchurch was allocated number 584 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 584 was first allocated to Bingham (Notts) 1844 to 1857, then Woodchurch, then Paignton, Devon 1926 to 1929 then Hawthorn (Wilts) 1950 to 1962.



4VOD Used from 29 MAY1877 to 25 FEB1881 Codes: A B none Price G £50

3VOD Used from 5 APR1890 to 12 MAR1910 Codes: A B C none Price D £20

KENT 633-634

586 Orpington

Orpington was allocated G93 in the lists from 1887 to 1906 and 586 from 1924 to 1962.

630 Paddock Wood

Paddock Wood was allocated F93 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 630 from 1924 to 1962.

633 QUEENBOROUGH

Head Post Office 1844 to 1853, Sub Office of Sittingbourne 1853 to 1866, Sub Office of Sheerness 1866 to 1921, Post Town 1921 to present.

Queenborough was allocated number 633 in the lists from 1844 to 1906.

Number 633 was later allocated to Ramsey (Hunts) 1924 to 1962.



1844
APR1844



4VOS NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

1844 Used from 23 DEC1850 to 14 MAY1859 Price F £60+

4VOS GPO

634 RAMSGATE

Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Office in 1996

Ramsgate was allocated number 634 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 737 Broadstairs 1844 to 1886,
K49 Minster 1845 to present and G38 St Peters 1872 to 1886.*



1844
APR1844



3HOS OC-
T1860



3HOS
NOV1860

1844 Used from 2 MAY1844 to 19 DEC1854 Price C £5

3HOS Used from 1 OCT1862 to 15 FEB1872 Price H £40



3VOS
NOV1878



3VOS
JUL1880

KENT 634

3VOS Used on 26 MAY1879 Price H £40



SDWYSII
OCT1855



SDWYSVIII
DEC1857

SDWYS II Used from 28 OCT1855 to 15 MAY1859 Codes: A C Price C £12

Two proofed in OCT1855 and MAY1858

SDWYS VIII Used from 24 DEC1857 to 24 JUL1863 Codes: A B C Price B £10

Three proofed between DEC1857 and NOV1860



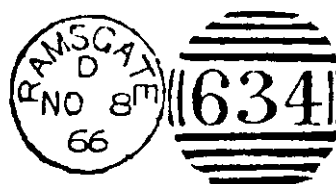
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T1860

3CD Used from 2 NOV1860 to 2 OCT1867 Codes: A B C D Price A £3

Three proofed between OCT1860 and NOV1866



4CD
JUL1863



4CD
NOV1866

4CD Used from 13 SEP1863 to 6 APR1868 Codes: A B D Price B £3

Three proofed between JUL1863 and NOV1867



4VODA
JUN1868

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 16 JUN1868 to 6 SEP1878 Codes: A B C D E F G K

Price A £3 Four proofed between JUN1868 and OCT1870

KENT 634-649



4VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 4 DEC1878 to 3 MAY1883 Codes: C D E F G Price D £6



3VOD
AUG1884

3VOD Time in code Used from 2 JAN1885 to 30 JAN1895 Codes: A C D E F G H I J K L N
Price A £3

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 11 FEB1895 Code: *P Price H £25

3VOD1 (1 cut in basal bars) Used from 13 MAY1896 to 15 OCT1902

Times: 11AM 630PM 830PM 845PM 9PM 10PM Price D £4

3VOD2S (Small 2 <2mm> cut in basal bars) Used from 12 DEC1895 to 29 DEC1902

Times: 845PM 945PM Price C £3

3VOD2L (Large 2 <3.5mm> cut in basal bars) Used from 26 JAN1903 to 28 OCT1908

Times: 1130AM 125PM 230PM 4PM 6PM 830PM 9PM 945PM 10PM 1030PM 1145 1215PM
Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: JUL1880 to MAY1906

ADDINGTON STREET RAMSGATE

Town Receiving House of Ramsgate 1872 to 1940/5, closed 1940/5.

3VODA (Addington St. Ramsgate in cds)

Used from 3 AUG1884 to 11 SEP1889 Codes: A C D F
Price H £80



3VODA
JUN1882

634A Broadstairs

Broadstairs was allocated 737 from 1882 to 1924 and 634A from 1929 to 1962.

649 SNODLAND

Sub Office of Rochester 1846 to 1886, Independent Sub Office 1886 to present.

Snodland was allocated number 649 in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

Number 649 was first allocated to Littleborough (Lancs) 1844 to 1857.

KENT 649-650



3VOS
MAR1876



3VOD
JUL1879

3VOS Used from 7 MAY1877 to 1 APR1879 Price G £60
3VOD Used from 9 FEB1880 to 27 SEP1904 Codes: A B none
 Price G £60 on cover, £30 on ppc.
 Squared Circles in use: JAN1882 to JAN1910

650 ROCHESTER

Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Office in 1996.
 Rochester was allocated number 650 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.
Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 649 Snodland 1846 to 1886.



1844
APR1844

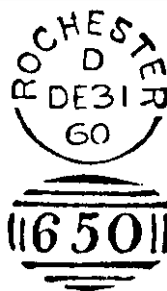


3HOS
SEP1863

1844 Used from 16 MAY1844 to 21 AUG1857 Price A £5
3HOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £30 (Price if found on dated cover)



3VOS
OCT1876



SDWYSVb
SEP1857

3VOS Used on 26 JUN1906 Price H £50
SDWYS Vb Used from 9 OCT1857 to 6 SEP1869 Codes: A B C D E Price B £5



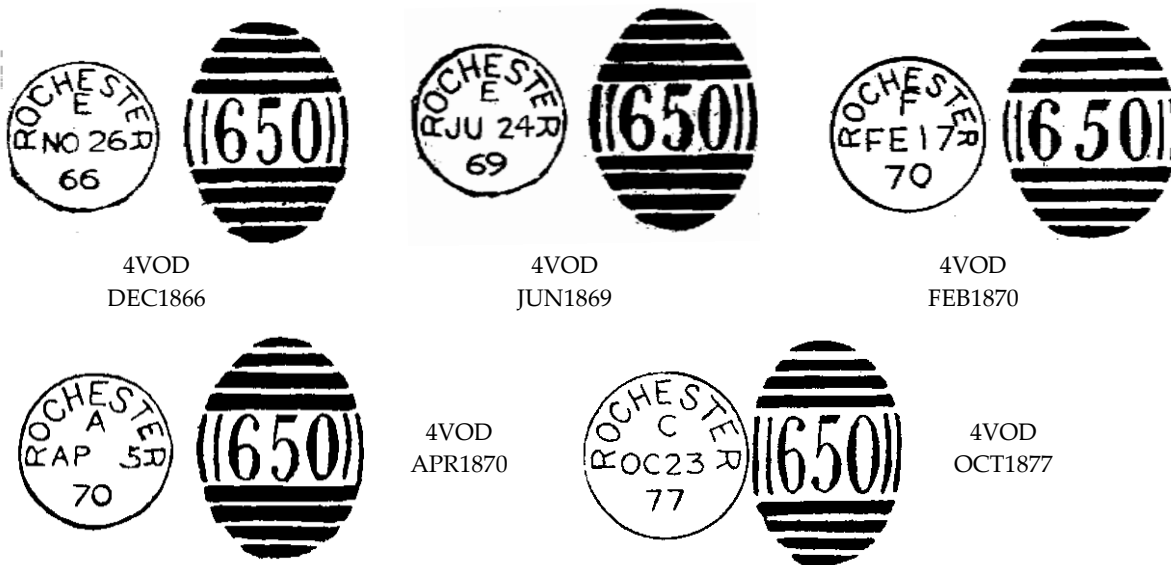
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MAY1860



4CD
SEP1863

3CD Used from 12 JUN1860 to 26 DEC1863 Codes: B C D E F Price D £6
4CD Used from 23 OCT1863 to 5 NOV1880 Codes: A B C D E F G Price A £3
 Five proofed between SEP1863 and JAN1870

KENT 650-682



4VOD
DEC1866

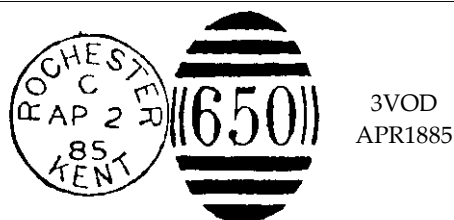
4VOD
JUN1869

4VOD
FEB1870

4VOD
APR1870

4VOD
OCT1877

4VOD Used from 25 FEB1867 to 3 AUG1880 Codes: A B C D E F Price A £3
Six proofed one duplicate between DEC1866 and OCT1877 They are now all illustrated



3VOD
APR1885

3VOD Time in code Used from 9 MAY1885 to 27 NOV1894 Codes: A B C D E F
Price A £3
3VOD Time in full Used from 24JAN1895 to 24FEB1908
Times: 9AM 1015AM 1230PM 130PM 2PM 215PM 245PM 330PM 445PM 530PM 715PM
815PM 10PM 1115PM Price A £3
Square Circles in use: NOV1880 to JAN1908

650A Gillingham

Gillingham was allocated 313 in the 1924 list and 650A in 1929 to 1962.

682 BOROUGH GREEN

Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1847 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1922, Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1922 to present.

Borough Green was allocated number 682 in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

Number 682 was first allocated to St Leonards on Sea (Sussex) 1844 to 1874 and later to Shanklin (IOW) 1924 to 1962.

3VOD Time in code Used from 31 JUN1888 to 24 MAY1895
Codes: A B C Price G £20

3VOD Time in full Used from 24 DEC1897 to 20 DEC1907

Times: 1030AM 1130AM 5PM 715PM

Price D £20 on cover, £8 on ppc



1844
APR1844

KENT 688

688 SANDWICH

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Sandwich was allocated number 688 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 893 Wingham 1860 to 1890.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
JUL1858



3HOS
AUG1858

1844 Used from 20 SEP1844 to 2 JUN1858 Price D £10

3HOS Used from 11 JUL1859 to 24 MAR1863 Price E £10



3TH.HOS
JAN1865



4VOS
JUL1870

3TH.HOS Used from 10 JUL1865 to 14 AUG1868 Price G £30

4VOS Used from 4 NOV1870 to 11 MAY1876 Price H £40



3VOS OC-
T1889



4VOD
JAN1869

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £40 (Price if found on dated cover)

4VOD Used from 12 JUN1869 to 9 JAN1878 Codes: B C Price C £3



3VOD
MAR1879

3VOD Time in code Used from 31 MAR1879 to 1 JUL1899 Codes: B C D E Price D £6

3VOD Time in full Used from 15 NOV1904 to 28 OCT1909

Times: 1030AM 510PM 630PM 930PM 12PM Price E £6

Square Circles in use: NOV1889 to OCT1907

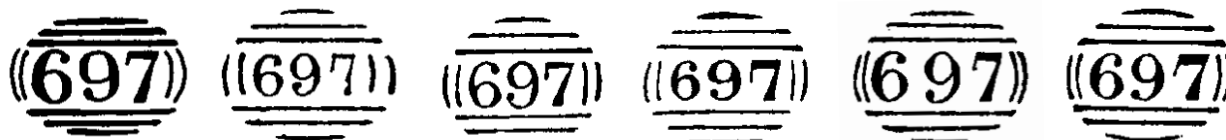
KENT 697

697 SEVENOAKS

Head Post Office 1844 to 1973, Salaried Scale Post Office 1973 to present.

Sevenoaks was allocated number 697 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 682 Borough Green 1847 to 1885,
A84 Brasted 1844 to 1885 & 1902 to 1953 and F37 Wrotham 1844 to 1885.*



1844
APR1844

3HOS
AUG1853

3HOS
JUL1856

3HOS OC-
T1857

3HOS
NOV1859

3HOS
DEC1859



3HOS
MAR1862

3HOS
JUL1862

3HOS
SEP1862

3HOS
JUL1863

3HOS
APR1864

1844 Used from 24 MAY1844 to 18 AUG1852 Price D £8

3HOS Used from 23 JUN1854 to 19 JUL1864 Price B £4

3HOS in blue Used on 9 DEC1848



3VOS NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3CD
SEP1862

3VOS Used from 18 NOV1903 to 1 SEP1948 Price H £30 (price for a 20th C. cover)

3CD Used from 15 DEC1862 to 7 DEC1868 Codes: A B C Price B £3



4CD
JAN1864

4CD Used from 28 JAN1864 to 5 APR1867 Codes: A B C D Price G £30



4VODA
JAN1869



4VODA
AUG1870

KENT 697-699

4VODA (Seven-oaks in cds) Used from 13 JUN1866 to 22 DEC1876 Codes: A B C Cinv D E
Price A £3



4VODB
FEB1874



4VODB
MAY1877

4VODB (Sevenoaks in cds) Used from 23 FEB1874 to 5 NOV1887 Codes: A B C D E
Price C £3



3VOD
JAN1880

3VOD Time in code Used from 15 JUN1880 to 17 MAY1894 Codes: A B C D E F
Price A £3

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 27 JUN1894 to 28 APR1895

Codes: A*P AD*P D*P F*P FI*P I*P MI*P Price G £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 23 JUL1895 to 12 NOV1898

Times: 1145AM 1PM 4PM 615PM 645PM 7PM 715PM 9PM Price D £3

Squared Circles in use: DEC1880 to JUL1885

See 967 Edenbridge for the 3VOD 697 error of number.

699 SHEERNESS

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Sheerness was allocated number 699 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
MAR1857



3VOS
NOV1878

1844 Used from 3 MAY1845 to 7 DEC1855 Price F £20

3HOS Used from 8 JUN1857 to 28 MAY1860 Price H £30

3VOS Used from 18 APR1958 to 23 MAR1965 Price G £15 (price for a 20th C. cover)

KENT 699



SDWYSII
DEC1855



SDWYSIII
JUN1857

SDWYS II Used from 30 MAR1856 to 29 MAR1859 Codes: A B Binv none Price H £100+
SDWYS III Used from 5 JUL1857 to 28 MAR1858 Codes: A C none Price G £100



3CD
MAR1858

3CD Used from 10 JUN1858 to 9 DEC1863 Codes: A B C Price D £5
 Five proofed between MAR1858 and DEC1860, one duplicate.



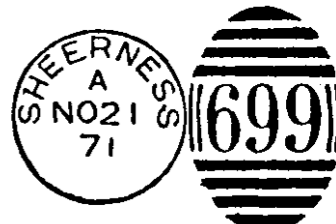
4VOD
JUN1864



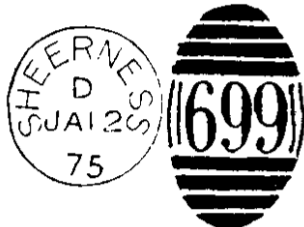
4VOD
DEC1866



4VOD
JUN1870



4VOD
NOV1871



4VOD
JAN1875



4VOD
AUG1876

4VOD Time in code Used from 5 JAN1865 to 6 APR1892 Codes: A B C D E F G J 3
 Price A £3

4VOD Time in full Used on 9 FEB1896 Time 7PM Price H £20

A 4VOD with the number 699 was used in error in Saffron Walden, Essex

KENT 699-713



3VOD Time in code Used from 9 FEB1879 to 30 JUL1892

Codes: A C D E F Price D £4

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 6 NOV1894 to 4 JAN1895

Codes: FF*A C*P G*P GD*P Price G £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 31 OCT1895 to 23 DEC1913

Times: 430AM 615AM 630AM 7AM 1015AM 130PM 2PM 4PM 6PM 645PM 7PM 730PM
815PM 830PM 915PM 7M 815 none(xmas) Price B £3

713 SITTINGBOURNE

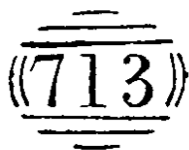
Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Sittingbourne was allocated number 713 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

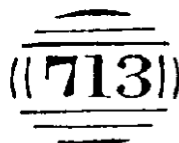
Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- J24 Greenstreet 1844 to 1917, 633 Queenborough 1853 to 1866 and 017 Rainham 1844 to 1895.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
SEP1855



3HOS
SEP1857



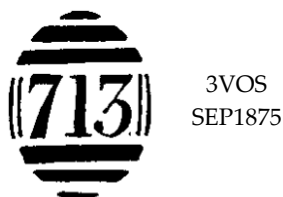
3HOS OC-
T1857



3HOS OC-
T1862

1844 Used from 14 MAY1844 to 6 NOV1850 Price G £30

3HOS Used from 28 FEB1856 to 2 JAN1865 Price E £15



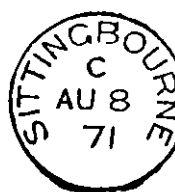
3VOS
SEP1875

3VOS Used from 1 JUN1951 to 17 JAN1952 Price H £20 (price for a 20th C. cover)

Used to cancel postage due stamps



4VODA
FEB1865



4VODA
AUG1871

KENT 713-737

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 13 OCT1865 to 23 AUG1876 Codes: A B C
Price A £3



4VODB
AUG1876



3VOD
APR1878

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 18 NOV1876 to 18 NOV1878 Codes: A B C Price G £30

3VOD Time in code Used from 2 FEB1880 to 10 JUN1895 Codes: C D F G M N O

Price C £3

3VOD Time in full Used from 20 MAY1896 to 30 JUN1905

Times: 730AM 9AM 10AM 1245PM 1PM 445PM 715pm 8PM 815PM 930PM 10PM

Price C £3

Squared Circles in use: NOV1880 to JUL1900

MILTON

Milton Independent Sub Office 1844 to 1868, Town Receiving House of Sittingbourne 1868 to present.
Became Milton Regis in 1907.



3VODM (Milton Sittingbourne in cds) GPO

Squared Circles in use: DEC1880 to FEB1902

3VODM
DEC1882

715 Sidcup

Sidcup was allocated H50 in the 1887 to 1906 lists and 715 from 1924 to 1962.

732 Swanley Junction

Swanley Junction was allocated 732 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

737 BROADSTAIRS

Sub Office of Ramsgate 1844 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1893, Town Receiving House of Broadstairs Station 1893 to 1911.

Became York Street in 1911.

Broadstairs was allocated 737 from 1882 to 1924 and 634A from 1929 to 1962.

Number 737 was first allocated to Castle Eden (Durham) 1844 to 1857, then Broadstairs, then Sketty (Glam) 1929 to 1959.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- G38 St Peters 1886 to present.



3VOS NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



4VOD
DEC1876

KENT 737-771

3VOS Used on 18 AUG1892 Price H £50

4VOD Used from 18 OCT1877 to 21 JAN1885 Codes: B C D none Price G £30

Rare because Broadstairs was a Sub Office at the time



3VODA
JUN1886



3VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

Broadstairs Station

Independent Sub Office 1886 to 1891, Head Post Office 1891 to 1911, became Broadstairs BO in 1911

3VODA (Broadstairs Station Office in cds) Used from 3 JUL1886 to 31 OCT1891

Codes: A B C D E Price E £25

3VODB (Broadstairs Station Office BO in cds) Time in code

Used from 9JUL1891 to 8OCT1894 Codes: A B C D G H Price D £12

3VODB (Broadstairs Station Office BO in cds) Time in full

Used from 21 MAR1895 to 10DEC1900 Times: 7AM 945AM 1115AM 1145AM 315PM 5PM 7PM 845PM 9PM 915PM 1145PM Price A £12

744 Shorncliffe

Shorncliffe was allocated F46 in the 1924 list and 744 from 1924 to 1962.

748 Sandgate

Sandgate was allocated 552 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and 748 in the 1924 list.

771 SHOOTERS HILL

It is assumed that an 1844 type cancel number 771 was issued in Apr 1844 for Cross post mail for the General Post, this duty ceased in May 1844.

In London District Post 1844 to 1857, South Eastern District under Woolwich 1857 to 1870, South Eastern Suburban District 1870 to 1879.

Stopped using London district initials in 1875 and started using the provincial number 385 in 1875.

Moved with Woolwich into the Kent Provincial Area in 1879, Independent Sub Office 1879 to 1896, Town Receiving House of Woolwich from 1896.

Moved to the London Metropolitan Area in 1913. Closed by 1995.

Shooters Hill was allocated number 771 in the 1844 to 1857 Provincial lists, 73 in the London lists in 1874 and then 385 in the Provincial 1882 to 1887 lists.

Number 771 was later allocated to Caerphilly (Glam) in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

1844 GPO

KENT 785-796

785 TENTERDEN

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1855 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to 1911, Post Town 1911 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Office in 1990.

Tenterden was allocated number 785 in all lists from 1844 to 1962, except for the 1874 list where the number is void, there certainly is a gap in usage of 785 from 1858 to 1875.



1844
APR1844



4VOD
APR1875

1844 Used from 21 MAY1844 to 21 AUG1858 Price E £15

1844 in blue Used in 1849

4VOD Used from 15 APR1875 to 30 JUN1879 Codes: A B C Price F £30



3VOD
SEP1879



3VOD
JUL1883



3VOD
MAY1884

3VOD Time in code Used from 13 NOV1880 to 30 SEP1890 Codes: A B C D Price D £6

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 17 JUL1894 to 30 APR1903

Codes: CA*A IH*A HA*P CC*P CG*P G*P GC*P GG*P HC*P HG*P Price D £8

3VOD Time in full Used from 2 JUL1903 to 10 OCT1905

Times: 930AM 230PM 3PM 730PM 740PM 830PM Price C £3

796 WEST WICKHAM

In South Eastern District of London under Bromley 1857 to 1865, moved with Bromley into the Kent Provincial Area in 1865.

Sub Office of Bromley 1865 to 1870, Sub Office of Beckenham 1870 to 1901, Independent Sub Office 1901 to present.

West Wickham was allocated number 796 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and then number 856 in the lists from 1933 to 1962.

Number 796 was first allocated to Osmotherley (Yorks) 1844 to 1857, then West Wickham, then Saltburn by the Sea (Yorks) 1928 to 1959.

3VOS Used on 30 JUL1901 Price H £100+



3VOS
MAR1877

KENT 818

818 TUNBRIDGE

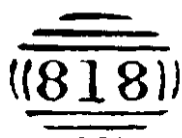
Changed to Tonbridge in the 1899 list. Head Post Office 1844 to 1973. Salaried Sub Office 1973 to present.

Tunbridge was allocated number 818 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 966 Hadlow 1845 to present and 489 Hildenborough 1845 to present.



1844
APR1844



3HOS
OCT1853



3HOS
MAR1857



3HOS
MAR1858



3HOS
SEP1860



3HOS
SEP1862

1844 Used from 6 MAY1844 to 27 JUL1853 Price E £15

3HOS Used from 19 DEC1853 to 18 JUL1862 Price F £15



3VOS
DEC1879



2VOS NOT ENTERED
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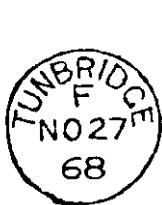
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2VOS Used on 18 MAR1879 Price H £50 No entered in the Proof Books and quite unlike any other barred numeral cancellation, certainly locally produced.

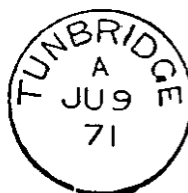


3CD
SEP1862

3CD Used from 31 OCT1862 to 22 JUN1871 Codes: A B C D Price C £3



4VOD
NOV1868



4VOD
JUN1871



4VOD
MAR1872

4VOD Used from 9 JUN1869 to 9 APR1884 Codes: A B C D Price A £3

KENT 818-820



3VOD NOT ENTERED
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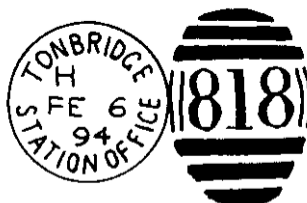
3VOD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODA (Tunbridge in the cds) Used from 10 MAR1881 to 23 SEP1889 Codes: A B C D G
Price D £4

3VODB (Tonbridge in the cds) Used from 20 JUN1902 to 23 DEC1911
Times: 1130AM 745PM 945PM 10PM 11PM none(xmas) Price F £12



3VODC
OCT1885



3VODD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

TUNBRIDGE STATION OFFICE

Changed from Tunbridge to Tonbridge in 1893, both spellings occur in Station Office Duplexes.
Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1906, closed c.1906.

3VODC (Tunbridge Station Office in the cds) Used from 3 FEB1886 to 21 OCT1892
Codes: A B C D E F H E1 F2 Price C £8

3VODD (Tonbridge Station Office in the cds) Time in code
Used from 17 APR1893 to 10 FEB1894 Codes: A H A2 F1 KP Price C £6

3VODD (Tonbridge Station Office in the cds) Time in asterisk code
Used from 3 MAR1894 to 24 JUN1895 Codes: IA*A IC*A LF*A AK*P CF*P DK*P F*P
H*P HA*P HE*P HL*P KA*P MF*P Price E £10

3VODD (Tonbridge Station Office in the cds, late use of time code)
Used from 6 JAN1902 to 6 FEB1902 Codes: DP EP Price G £6

3VODD (Tonbridge Station Office in the cds) Time in full
Used from 29 OCT1895 to 6 JAN1906 Times: 1AM 1145AM 1245PM 130PM 145PM 230PM
245PM 3PM 5PM 730PM 745PM 8PM 815PM 830PM 9PM 915PM 945PM 10PM 1030PM
Price C £6

Squared Circles in use: MAR1881 to MAR1884

820 TUNBRIDGE WELLS

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Tonbridge Wells was allocated number 820 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 820 Claverley 1844 to present,
928 Crowborough Cross 1852 to 1889, New Town Southborough 1872 to present,
661 Rotherfield 1844 to 1952 and 955 Southborough 1844 to present.*

KENT 820



1844
APR1844



1844
FEB1849



3HOS
AUG1854

1844 Used from 6 MAY1844 to 7 APR1854 Price B £5

3HOS Used from 19 DEC1854 to 24 AUG1868 Price G £20 Seen in blue



3VOS
MAR1874

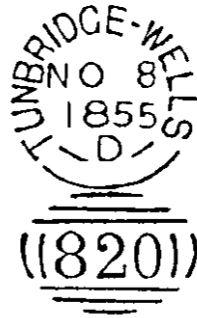


3VOS
NOV1879



3VOS
FEB1883

3VOS Used on undated postal stationery Price H* £25



SDWYS II
NOV1855



SDWYS II
JAN1857

SDWYS II Used from 15 NOV1855 to 26 JUN1858 Codes: A B none Price C £12



3CD
JAN1858



3CD
MAR1859



3CD
FEB1862



3CD
APR1862

3CD Used from 7 APR1858 to 18 JUL1866 Codes: A B C D Price A £3

Bars on the left may be missing

KENT 820



4VOD Used from 7 MAR1866 to 3 JAN1880 Codes: A B C D E O Price A £3
 A total of ten proofed, one duplicate, one with a "new handle".
 After FEB1874 several subtypes that were not entered in the Proof Books



3VODA (Tunbridge Wells only in the cds) Time in code Used from 8 DEC1878 to 8 JUL1883
 Codes: A B C D E F Price B £3
 Four proofed NOV1878 to AUG1883

3VODA (Tunbridge Wells only in the cds) Time in full
 Used from 23 NOV1897 to 11 JAN1906 Times: 1000AM 1030AM 1045AM 121AM 1215AM
 130PM 245PM 3PM 315PM 4PM 430PM 445PM 515PM 630PM 645PM 730PM 815PM 830PM
 915PM 915 Price A £2



3VODC (High St BO Tunbridge Wells) Time in code Used from 11 FEB1884 to 11 NOV1895
 Codes: A B C D Dinv E F G I J K L Price A £3

Three were proofed and the third is now illustrated

3VODC (High St BO Tunbridge Wells) Time in asterisk code

Used from 5 FEB1895 to 17 MAR1896 Codes: M*A HD*P IC*P Price F £12



3VODD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VODD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODD (High St Tunbridge Wells) Used from 15 JUN1888 to 9 MAR1896

Codes: A B C D E F G I L Price A £3

Square Circles in use: AUG1881 to JAN1884

Tunbridge Wells, Calverley:-

Sub Office of Tunbridge Wells 1844 to Present.

3VODB (Calverley Tunbridge Wells)

Used from 24 JAN1882 to 26 MAY1891 Codes: A B C D E G

Price E £15

Squared Circles in use: DEC1889 to FEB1899



3VODB
DEC1881

856 West Wickham

West Wickham was allocated number 796 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and then number 856 in the lists from 1933 to 1962.

869 Westerham

Westerham was allocated number J22 in the lists from 1892 to 1906 and then number 869 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

872 West Malling

West Malling was allocated number C91 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and then number 872 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

884 Westgate on Sea

Westgate on Sea was allocated number G48 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and then number 884 in the lists from 1924 to 1959.

885 Whitstable

Whitstable was allocated number B42 in the lists from 1882 to 1924 and then number 885 in the lists from 1927 to 1962.

893 WINGHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1860, Sub Office of Sandwich 1860 to 1890, Sub Office of Dover 1890 to 1910, Sub Office of Canterbury 1910 to present.

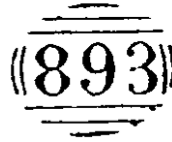
Wingham was allocated number 893 in the lists from 1844 to 1906.

Number 893 was later allocated to Twickenham (Middx) 1928 to 1962.

KENT 893-939



1844
APR1844



3HOS
SEP1857

1844 Used from 6 AUG1844 to 22 OCT1856 Price F £40
3HOS Used from 2 AUG1858 to 24 FEB1860 Price F £40



4VOD
MAR1877

4VOD Used from 2 JUN1877 to 3 FEB1880 Codes: A B Bin v Price G £50

913 CROOK LOG

Sub Office of Bexley 1878 to 1879, Sub Office of Bexley Heath 1879 to 1985, Town Receiving House of Bexley Heath from 1894, closed 1985.

Crook Log was allocated number 913 in the lists from 1882 to 1902.

Number 913 was first allocated to Woodyates, Dorset 1844 to 1857, then Crook Log, then Woodhall Spa (Lincs) 1924 to 1962.



3VOS
APR1878



3VOD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VOS Used from 21 FEB1881 to 22 SEP1892 Price H £80+
3VOD Used from 20 JUL1888 to 28 DEC1911 Codes: A B C D G none
Price A £15 on cover, £4 on ppc

939 STAPLEHURST

Head Post Office 1844 to 1897, Railway Sub Office 1897 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1941, Sub Office of Tonbridge 1941 to present..

Staplehurst was allocated number 939 in all the lists from 1845 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- G84 Cranbrook 1858 to 1885, 427 Hawkhurst 1844 to 1869, 429 Newenden 1844 to 1869, 430 Northiam 1844 to 1869, F93 Paddock Wood 1872 to 1883, 431 Peasmarsh 1844 to 1869, 432 Rolvenden 1844 to 1869, 433 Sandhurst 1844 to 1869 and 785 Tenterden 1855 to 1869.

KENT 939



1844
APR1844



3HOS
NOV1854



3HOS
DEC1854



3HOS
NOV1859



3HOS
DEC1859



3HOS UNDATED
ENTRY

1844 Used from 15 MAY1844 to 4 APR1852 Price F £20

1844 in blue Used on 26 MAR1850

3HOS Used from 10 NOV1854 to 12 JUN1866 Price G £30

All five proofed copies are now illustrated:



3VOS
MAR1875

3VOS Used on 12 SEP1879 Price H £50



SDWYS II
AUG1856



SDWYS II
FEB1858

SDWYS II Used from 11 NOV1856 to 29 JAN1859 Codes: A B C Price E £30



3CD
FEB1858



3CD
AUG1862

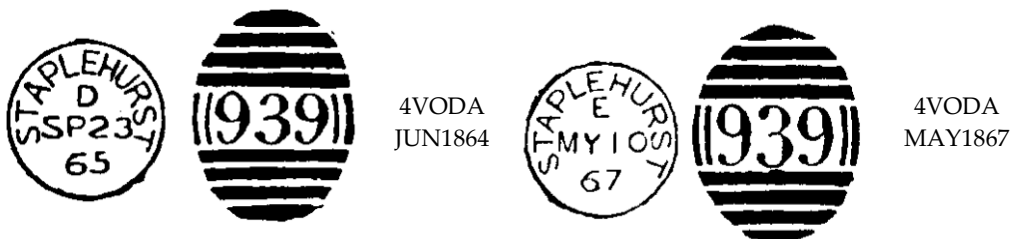


3CD
APR1869

3CD Used from 29 JUN1858 to 12 JUL1870 Codes: A B C D 2 Price A £3

Total of 15 proofed, with two duplicates.

KENT 939-952



4VODA
JUN1864

4VODA
MAY1867

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 4 JUL1864 to 23 JAN1880 Codes: A B C D E
Price A £3



4VODB
OCT1875

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 24 MAR1877 to 23 SEP1884 Codes: C D E F Price F £15



3VOD
AUG1882

3VOD Used from 5 JAN1883 to 26 AUG1898 Codes: B C E F G H Price D £6
Squared Circles in use: NOV1887 to MAY1911

952 GREENHITHE

Sub Office of Dartford 1844 to 1880, Independent Sub Office from 1880.

Number 952 was allocated to Hollytroyds (Lancs) in the 1844 to 1857 lists and Greenhithe from 1882 to 1962.

3VOD Time in code Used from 30 MAR1881 to 28 NOV1893
Codes: A B C Price F £8

3VOD Time in full Used from 8 MAY1895 to 25 OCT1906
Times: 945AM 10AM 12PM 430PM 8PM 815PM 830PM 10PM PM
Price A £8 cover, £3 ppc



3VOD
JUL1878

KENT 955-967

955 SOUTHBOROUGH

Sub Office of Tunbridge Wells 1844 to present. Renamed "The Parade Southborough" in 1902.

Number 955 was allocated to Otterton, Devon in the 1844 to 1857 lists, 955 Southborough from 1882 to 1887 and Filton (Glos) in the 1952 to 1962 lists.

3VOD Used from 16 DEC1878 to 8 AUG1901

Codes: A B C D E F Finv Price A £5



966 HADLOW

Sub Office of Maidstone 1844, Sub Office of Tonbridge 1845 to present.

Hadlow was allocated number 966 in the lists from 1882 to 1906. Number 966 was later allocated to Woking, Surrey 1928 to 1962.

3VOD Used from 19 JAN1880 to 26 OCT1905 Codes: A B D

Price D £20 on cover, £10 on ppc



967 EDEN-BRIDGE

Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1844 to 1848, Head Post Office 1848 to 1861, Independent Sub Office 1861 to 1866, Head Post Office 1866 to 1919, Salaried Sub Office 1919 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1991

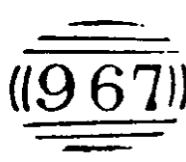
Number 967 was allocated to Eden Bridge in the 1849 to 1962 lists.



1844
APR1844



1844 UNDATED
ENTRY



3HOS
DEC1855



3HOS
NOV1860

1844 Used from 1 SEP1849 to 26 OCT1859 Price G £30 (also very late use in 1944)

3HOS Used from 15 JUL1857 to 1944 Price E £15



4VODA
JUL1868



4VODB
JAN1875

4VODA (Eden /dot/ Bridge in the cds) Used from 11 OCT1868 to 4 FEB1874 Codes: A B
Price D £6

4VODB (Eden /dash/ Bridge in the cds) Used from 13 DEC1875 to 6 SEP1889 Codes: A B D
Price C £3

KENT 967



3VODA
NOV1882

3VODA (Eden Bridge Kent in the cds) Used from 3 SEP1883 to 5 AUG1891 Codes: A B C D
Price G £30



3VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODB (Eden Bridge in the cds) Time in code

Used from 7 SEP1889 to 17 APR1894 Codes: A C D Price F £5

3VODB (Eden Bridge in the cds) Time in asterisk code

Used from 15 OCT1894 to 12 DEC1898 Codes: KF*A HI*P II*P Price F £12

3VODB (Eden Bridge in the cds) Time in full

Used from 25 JUN1899 to 5 AUG1902 Times: 1030AM 2PM 545PM 845PM 9PM 945PM

Price C £3



3VODX NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODX (Error of no. 697) Used from 12 AUG1891 to 17 APR1894 Codes: A B C D
Price G £100+

986 New Romney

New Romney allocated 566 in the lists from 1844 to 1906 and 986 in the 1959 list.

005 Chislehurst

Chislehurst was allocated 201 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later D05 in 1874 to 1924 and 005 in 1928 to 1962.

KENT 017-061

017 RAINHAM

Sub Office of Sittingbourne 1844 to 1895, Independent Sub Office 1895 to 1916, Sub Office of Chatham 1916 to 1938, Town Sub Office of Gillingham 1938 to present.

Rainham was allocated number 017 in the lists from 1882 to 1959, vacant in the 1924 to 1954 lists, restored in 1959.

Rainham Essex was allocated 017 in the lists from 1956 to 1962.



3VOS
DEC1878



3VODA
NOV1878



3VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £80 (Price if found on dated cover)

3VODA (Rainham in the cds) GPO

3VODB (Rainham Kent in the cds) Time in code Used from 21 JAN1890 to 28 DEC1900

Codes: A D E F Price E £15

3VODB (Rainham Kent in the cds) Time in full Used from 11 JAN1902 to 12 SEP1906

Times: 1110AM 715PM 830PM Price F £15

Squared Circles in use: JAN1881 to OCT1911

039 Longfield

Longfield was allocated H21 in the lists from 1887 to 1906 and 039 in the 1962 list.

061 EYNSFORD

Sub Office of Dartford 1847 to 1900, Independent Sub Office 1900 to 1904, Sub Office of Dartford 1904 to present.

Eynsford was allocated number 061 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.



3VOS
APR1879



3VOD
APR1880

3VOS GPO

3VOD Time in code Used from 19 NOV1889 to 20 NOV1903 Codes: B C E Price F £15

Late code E used on 17AUG1903

3VOD Time in full Used from 16 OCT1901 to 19 JAN1917

Times: 915AM 115AM 145PM 945PM 145 Price C £15 on cover, £4 on ppc.

KENT A84-B12

084 Cranbrook

Cranbrook was allocated 226 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later G84 in 1887 to 1924 and 084 in 1928 to 1962.

A84 BRASTED

Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1844 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1902, Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1902 to 1953, Sub Office of Westerham 1953 to present.

Brasted was allocated number A84 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number A84 in a 3HOS was allocated to a sorter on the Mediterranean Packets, it has not been recorded in use.

3VOD Time in code Used from 19 JUN1884 to 29 MAY1893

Codes: A B Price F £12

3VOD Time in asterisk code

Used from 7 SEP1897 to 4 MAY1908 Codes: LK*A LKinv*A F*P
FK*P H*P HP*P I*P L*P 2*P (Tsdwys is a broken H)

Price A £6

3VOD Time in full Used from 17 OCT1903 to 13 AUG1907

Times: 2 515 1045 Price D £6



3VOD
MAR1882

B03 NORTHFLEET

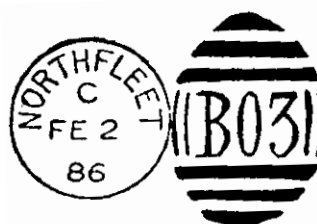
Under Gravesend 1844 to 1890, Independent Sub Office 1890 to 1891, Town Receiving House of Gravesend 1891 to present.

Northfleet was allocated number B03 in the lists from 1882 to 1902.

Number B03 in a 3HOS was allocated to a sorter on the Mediterranean Packets, it has been recorded in use from OCT1867 to JUN 1869.



3VOS
JUL1880



3VOD
FEB1886

3VOS Used on 7 SEP1880 Price H £100+

3VOD Used from 2 OCT1886 to 8 OCT1891 Code: D Price H £80+

B12 BICKLEY STATION

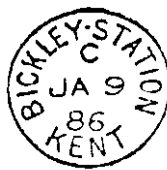
Letter box under Bromley 1863 to 1865, Moved with Bromley into the Kent Provincial Area in 1865, Listed as a Sub Office of Bromley 1868 to 1873, Independent Sub Office 1873 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1897, Renamed Bickley Railway Sub Office in 1897

Bickley Station was allocated number B12 in the lists from 1882 to 1902.

KENT B12-B42



3VOS
AUG1879



1844
APR1844

3VOS Used from 18 JAN1880 to 13 SEP1900 Price H £150 with a station cds
3VOD Used from 24 FEB1886 to 31 DEC1897 Codes: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Price F £80

B12 Bickley Bickley was allocated number B12 in the 1906 list.
 The 3VOS dated 13 SEP1900 was used with a Bickley cds

B39 HERNE BAY

Sub Office of Canterbury 1844 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to ?
 Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1995.
 Herne Bay was allocated B39 in the 1882 to 1924 lists and 366 in 1925 to 1962.
 B39 was previously used in a 3HOS in Harpton, Radnorshire.



3VOS
JAN1880



3VOD
JAN1880

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £80+ (Price if found on dated cover)
3VOD Time in code Used from 28 FEB1880 to 13 AUG1897 Codes: A B C E F Price D £12
3VOD Time in full Used from 26 MAY1898 to 15 JUL1903
 Times: 815AM 1130AM 12PM 1230PM 115PM 130PM 4PM 445PM 715PM 745PM 815PM
 Price A £3

B42 WHITSTABLE

Sub Office of Canterbury 1844 to 1880, Independent Sub Office 1880 to present.
 A 3VOS and 3VOD were issued when Whitstable became an Independent Sub Office in 1880.
 Whitstable was allocated number B42 in the lists from 1882 to 1924 and then number 885 in the lists from 1927 to 1962.
 B42 was previously used in a 3HOS in Walton, Radnorshire.



3VOS
JAN1880



3VOD
JAN1880

KENT B42-D05

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £80+ (Price if found on dated cover)
3VOD Time in code Used from 29 JUN1880 to 24 DEC1894 Codes: A B C D F T Price E £10
3VOD Time in full Used from 3 DEC1895 to 5 APR1909
Times: 830AM 1215PM 2PM 330PM 5PM 730PM 830PM 845PM 330
Price A £10 on cover, £3 on ppc.

C68 LONDON AND DOVER TPO

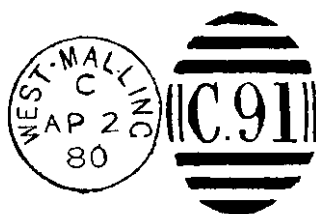
4VOS Price H £ 200

C91 WEST MALLING

Sub Office of Maidstone 1844 to 1892, Independent Sub Office 1902 to 1940, Sub Office of Maidstone 1940 to 1990, Post Town 1990 to present.

West Malling was allocated number C91 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and then number 872 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

C91 in a 4VOD was previously used in Harrow Middlesex.



3VODA
APR1880



3VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODA (C.91 with dot) Time in code Used from 25 AUG1888 to 9 MAR1896 Codes: A B C E Price F £8

3VODA (C.91 with dot) Time in full Used from 22 DEC1896 to 31 OCT1904

Times: 9AM 1PM 130PM 4PM 445PM 645PM 9PM 1015 there is no overlap with 3VODB
Price B £3

3VODB (C91 no dot) Used from 27 AUG1904 to 15 APR1911 Times: 915AM 1015AM 1145AM 1PM 130PM 4PM 445PM 545PM 645PM 745PM 8PM 815PM 915PM 445 1015 Price A £3

D05 CHISLEHURST

Chislehurst was a receiving house under Bromley in the London District Post 1846 to 1857, then South Eastern District 1857 to 1867.

Given the London style cancel 13B in 1861.

Moved to the Kent Provincial Area in 1867 and started using D05 in provincial style cancellations.

Head Post Office 1867 to 1908, Sub Office of Orpington 1908 to 1920, Sub Office of Farnborough 1920 to 1960, Town Sub Office of Orpington 1960 to 1990, closed 1990.

Chislehurst was allocated 201 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later D05 in 1874 to 1924 and 005 in 1928 to 1962.



13B.A
MAY1861

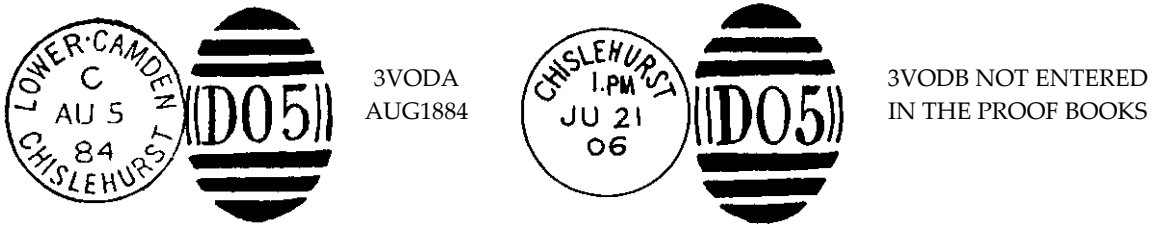
London Suburban Oval:-

13B.A GPO

KENT D05



4VOD Used from 2 AUG1867 to 15 DEC1880 Codes: A B C D E Price A £4



3VODB NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODA (Lower Camden Chislehurst in the cds) Time in code

Used from 12 AUG1885 to 25 FEB1901 Codes: A C D Price E £15

3VODA (Lower Camden Chislehurst in the cds) Time in full

Used from 19 JUN1903 to 17 OCT1907 Times: 915AM 345PM Price F £15 on cover, £6 on ppc

3VODB (Chislehurst in the cds) Time in code Used from 12 JAN1891 to 21 APR1893

Codes: A B C E I Price E £6

3VODB (Chislehurst in the cds) Time in full Used from 23 FEB1897 to 16 FEB1911

Times: 9AM 915AM 1115AM 1215PM 1230PM 1PM 3PM 315PM 330PM 4PM 6PM 615PM 630PM 645PM 8PM 9PM 915PM 945PM 10PM PM Price A £6 on cover, £3 on ppc.
Squared Circles in use: APR1881 to DEC1892

CHISLEHURST STATION OFFICE

Sorting Office 1893 to c.1909.

3VODC Chislehurst Station Office Time in code

Used from 16 JUN1893 to 24 DEC1896 Codes: C D E
Price F £40

3VODC Chislehurst Station Office Time in full

Used from 25 MAY1901 to 11 JAN1909
Times: 345PM 4PM 645PM 915PM 945PM
Price F £40



3VODC NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

KENT D07-D13

D07 YALDING

Sub Office of Maidstone 1844 to 1857, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1857 to 1873, Sub Office of Maidstone 1873 to present.

Yalding was allocated number D07 in the lists from 1882 to 1906. D07 was previously used in a 4VOS at Llanuwchllyn, Merionethshire.

3VOD 20 FEB1883 to 26 NOV1910 A B C D
Price A £8 on cover, £3 on ppc.



3VOD
APR1880

D13 BECKENHAM

London District Post 1844 to 1857, then South Eastern District 1857 to 1867.

Used 26 in a London style cancellation.

Moved into the Kent Provincial Area in 1867, Head Post Office 1867 to present.

4VOS D13 issued in 1867 when Beckenham became a Head Post Office

Beckenham was allocated number D13 in the 1874 to 1924 lists and 99 from 1925 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 796 West Wickham 1870 to 1901.



26A
MAY1844



4VOS
SEP1867

London District Post and Suburban SE District Oval

26A Used from 21 OCT1851 to 8 AUG1867 Price H £300 Seen in blue

Moved into the Kent Provincial Area in 1867.

4VOS Used from 30 JAN1868 to 13 MAY1873 Price H £60



4VODA
AUG1868



4VODB
JUL1874

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 29 MAY1869 to 10 OCT1876 Codes: A B C D E

Price A £6

4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 28 JUL1874 to 9 MAY1878 Codes: A C D E Price D £10



3VODA
JUL1878



3VOB
DEC1879

KENT D13-F46

3VODA (D.13 with dot) Time in code Used from 23 JUL1878 to 3 FEB1894

Codes: A B D E F 4 5 7 9 12 13 Price C £6

3VODA (D.13 with dot) Time in full Used from 25 SEP1895 to 29 NOV1899

Times: 930AM 515PM 730PM 1030PM Price G £6

3VODB (D13 no dot) Time in code Used from 27 DEC1879 to 11 JUL1895

Codes: B C D E F 1 4 5 7 8 8inv 9 10 11 12 13 none(xmas) Price A £3

3VODbt (D13 no dot) Time in full Used from 26 AUG1895 to 11 JUL1917

Times: 3AM 630AM 645AM 915AM 930AM 1045AM 11AM 121PM 1PM 130PM 315PM
430PM 515PM 715PM 730PM 745PM 8PM 830PM 9PM 915PM 945PM 1015PM 1030PM
1045PM none (xmas) Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: JAN1881 to JAN1887

F37 WROTHAM

Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1844 to 1885, Independent Sub Office
1885 to 1922, Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1922 to present..

Wrotham was allocated number F37 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

3VOD GPO



3VOD
AUG1882

F46 SHORNCLIFFE CAMP

Sub Office of Folkestone 1871 to 1885, Sub Office of Sandgate 1885 to present.

Dropped the word Camp in 1916.

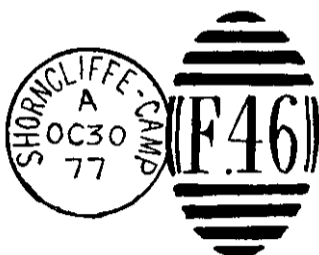
Shorncliffe Camp was allocated number F46 in the lists from 1874 to 1902.

Shorncliffe was allocated F46 in the 1924 list and 744 from 1924 to 1962.

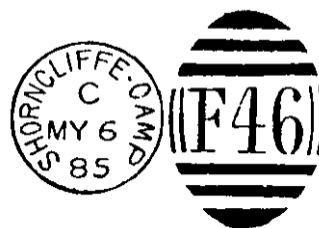


4VOS
AUG1871

4VOS GPO



4VOD
OCT1877



3VOD
MAY1885

KENT F46-F93

4VOD Time in code Used from 13 JUL1878 to 16 MAY1892 Codes: A B C Price G £80

4VOD Time in asterisk code Used on 26AUG1904 Code: C*P Price H £80

3VOD Time in code Used from 20 MAY1885 to 31 JAN1894 Codes: A B C F Price F £30

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 21 JAN1896 to 14 AUG1904

Codes: A*A HE*A KD*A KI*A LA*A AD*P BI*P CF*P DL*P EI*P HF*P I*P IA*P IC*P
Price B £30

3VOD Time in full Used from 27 APR1904 to 18 MAR1905 Times: 815AM 310PM 545PM
915PM 10PM 1015PM Price F £30 on cover, £15 on ppc

F93 PADDOCK WOOD

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1872 to 1883, Railway Sub Office 1883 to 1903,

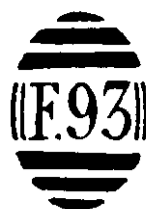
Independent Sub Office 1903 to 1941, Sub Office of Tonbridge 1941 to present.

Paddock Wood was allocated number F93 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 630 from 1924 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- Brenchley 1896 to 1941.



3VOSA
DEC1872



3VOSB
MAR1879

3VOSA (F93 no dot) Used from 15 APR1873 to 23 SEP1876 Price H £50

3VOSB (F.93 with dot) Used from 31 DEC1880 to 27 JUN1881 Price G £40



3VODA
MAR1883



3VODB
APR1886

3VODA (F.93 with dot) Used on 17 DEC1884 Code A Price H £30

3VODB (F93 no dot) Time in code Used from 19 SEP1888 to 4 JAN1894 Codes: B D
Price F £8

3VODB (F93 no dot) Time in asterisk code Used from 19 DEC1904 to 28 MAY1906
Code EH PM Price H £25

3VOD (F93 no dot) Time in full Used from 22 OCT1895 to 31 JUL1909 Times: 10AM 130PM
145PM 245PM 730PM 845PM Price B £10 on cover, £3 on ppc.

KENT G09-G22

G09 ST.MARY CRAY

London District Post 1844 to 1857, then South Eastern District 1857 to 1867.

Moved to the Kent Provincial Area as a Sub Office of Chislehurst 1867 to 1881, Independent Sub Office 1881 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1935, Town Sub Office Orpington 1935 to present..

St Mary Cray was allocated number G09 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

G09 was previously used at Stonehouse Devon in a 3VOS and 3VOD.

3VOD Time in code Used from 22 MAY1891 to 22 FEB1894
Codes: A B D E none Price G £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 22 NOV1895 to 5 SEP1905
Times: 930AM 945AM 1215PM 1230PM 230PM 3PM 430PM
5PM 530PM 545PM 915PM 945PM 1030PM
Price A £6 on cover, £3 on ppc.
Squared Circles in use: JUL1881 to DEC1890



3VOD
SEP1882

G22 ELTHAM

In the London District Post 1844 to 1857, then South Eastern District 1857 to 1879.

Used 22 in a London style cancel.

In 1873 started using provincial number G22 whilst still in the South Eastern District of London.

A Head district Office in South East District of London from 1877 to 1879.

Moved to the the Kent Provincial area as a Head Post office in 1879.

Moved into the London Metropolitan District in 1913

Eltham was allocated number G22 in the lists from 1874 to 1906.



22A
MAY1844

London District Post Oval and SE Suburban numeral:

22A Used from JUL1857 to 23 FEB1875 Price G £250



22B
JUL1873



22C
MAR1873



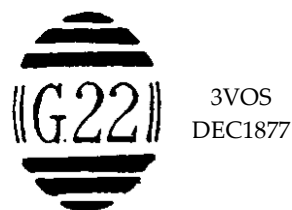
SENT TO
PLAISTOW

London Suburban numerals:

22B GPO

22C GPO

KENT G22-G38



3VOS Used from 17 DEC1888 to 8 JUL1891 Price H £80+



3VOD Used from 20 DEC1873 to 7 DEC1900 Codes: A B C D G Price A £6
This is one of the very few offices that had a 3VOD before a 4VOD.



4VOD Used from 29 SEP1879 to 18 SEP1885 Codes: A C D E Price F £40
Square Circles in use: JUL1892 to SEP1906

G38 ST.PETERS

Sub Office of Margate 1844 to 1872, Ramsgate 1872 to 1886,
Broadstairs 1886 to Present, a Town Sub Office from 1915.
St Peters was allocated number G38 in the lists from 1882 to 1902.

3VOD Used from 2 NOV1883 to 12 OCT1893 Codes: B C
Price G £80+



3VOD
JUN1882

KENT G47-G68

G47 BIRCHINGTON

Sub Office of Margate 1844 to 1886, Sub Office of Westgate on Sea 1886 to 1892, Railway Sub Office 1892 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1995.

Birchington was allocated number G47 in the 1882 to 1906 lists and 43 from 1924 to 1962.

3VOD Used from 15 MAY1884 to 8 APR1894 Codes: B C
Price F £30

Number cut into basal bars:-

3VOD1 (1 cut in basal bars)

Used from 29MAR1895 to 27JUN1905 Times: 9AM 10AM 1045AM
11AM 1115AM 115PM 130PM 345PM 515PM 545PM 615PM 730PM
815PM 830PM 845PM 9PM Price A £3



3VOD
AUG1882

G48 WESTGATE ON SEA

Sub Office of Margate 1873 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present.

Westgate on Sea was allocated number G48 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and then number 884 in the lists from 1924 to 1959.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- Birchington G47 1886 to 1892.

3VOD Used from 19 NOV1883 to 1 AUG1894

Codes: A Ainv B C E Price E £20

Number cut into basal bars:-

3VOD1 (1 cut in basal bars) Used from 26 AUG1895 to 3 OCT1906

Times: 515AM 6AM 9AM 945AM 1015AM 1115AM 1PM 115PM
3PM 315PM 415PM 430PM 5PM 530PM 545PM 6PM 7PM
810PM 815PM 845PM 9PM Price A £3

3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars) Used from 3 MAY1898 to 18 APR1907

Times: 6AM 930AM 945AM 10AM 1045AM 11AM 1115AM 130PM 150PM
315PM 330PM 4PM 445PM 5PM 530PM 545PM 6PM 845PM 9PM 1130PM Price A £3

The figure 2 is 2mm high from 1898-1903 & 3mm 1903-1907.



3VOD
AUG1882



3VOD
JUN1884

G68 MARDEN

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1883, Railway Sub Office 1883 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1941, Sub Office of Tonbridge 1941 to present.

G68 3VOD was issued when Marden became a Railway Sub Office in 1883.

Marden was allocated G68 in 1887 to 1906 lists and 289 in the 1963 list.

3VOD Time in code Used from 14 JUN1883 to 27 JUN1893

Codes: A B D Price G £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 13 DEC1895 to 27 APR1908

Times: 9AM 10AM 1PM 115PM 515PM 715PM 830PM Price A £8 on cover, £3 on ppc.



3VOD
MAR1883

KENT G84-H35

G84 CRANBROOK

Head Post Office 1844 to 1858, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1858 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1897, Head Post Office 1897 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office by 1995. Cranbrook was allocated 226 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later G84 in 1887 to 1924 and 084 in 1928 to 1962.

3VOD Time in code Used from 9 NOV1883 to 26 JUL1895

Codes: B D F Price F £12

3VOD Time in full Used from 21 APR1896 to 23 DEC1905

Times: 1AM 8AM 10AM 11AM 1115AM 1130AM 1230PM 1PM 5PM 8PM 845PM 930PM 10PM 1030PM 1245 915 945 10 **1115** Price A £8 on cover, £3 on ppc.



3VOD
SEP1883

G93 ORPINGTON

South Eastern District under Bromley 1860 to 1865. Moved into the Kent Provincial Area in 1865, Sub Office of Bromley 1865 to 1867, Sub Office of St.Mary Cray 1867, Sub Office of Chislehurst 1867 to 1882, Independent Sub Office 1882 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 onwards.

Orpington was allocated G93 in the lists from 1887 to 1906 and 586 from 1924 to 1962.

3VOD Used from 22 NOV1893 to 16 FEB1909 Codes: A B C D

Price D £15 on cover, £8 on ppc.

Squared Circles in use: MAR1881 to FEB1893



3VOD
DEC1883

H21 LONGFIELD

Sub Office of Dartford 1884 to 1893, Independent Sub Office 1893 to 1938, Sub Office of Dartford 1938 to 1990's, Post Town 1990's to present.

Longfield was allocated number H21 in the lists from 1887 to 1906 and 039 in the 1962 list.

3VOD Used from 22 DEC1891 to 16 DEC1899 Codes: B C

Price G £80+

Squared Circles in use: NOV1900 to FEB1913



3VOD
JUL1884

H35 MERSHAM

Sub Office of Ashford 1845 to 1998, closed 1998.

Mersham was allocated number H35 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 23 NOV1888 to 9 DEC1895 Code: B

Price G £80+



3VOD
DEC1884

KENT H36-H59

H36 LYDD

Sub Office of New Romney 1844 to 1861. Sub Office of Folkestone 1861 to 1882. Independent Sub Office 1882 to 1941. Sub Office of Ashford 1941 to present.

Renamed Romney Marsh in 1955.

Lydd was allocated number H36 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

3VOD Time in code Used from 10 JUN1885 to 3 DEC1900

Codes: A B C Price F £20

3VOD Time in full Used from 22 APR1901 to 6 JUN1909

Times: 745AM 915AM 1230PM 230PM 730PM 745PM Price E £12



3VOD
FEB1885

H41 WILLESBOROUGH

Sub Office of Ashford 1844 to present, Rural to Town Sub Office in 1929.

Willesborough was allocated number H41 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

3VOD Time in code Used from 12 JAN1891 to 24 AUG1894

Code: B Price G £20

3VOD Time in full Used from 15 JUN1895 to 1 OCT1910

Times: 1015AM 3PM 430PM 7PM 1015PM 430 Price E £15 on cover, £10 on ppc.



3VOD
MAR1885

H50 SIDCUP

Listed as in South Eastern District as a pillar box under Foots Cray 1862 to 1867. Then listed in the Kent Provincial Area as a Sub Office of Chislehurst 1873 to 1881, Independent Sub Office 1881 to 1885, Railway Sub Office 1885 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 Onwards, changed from a Branch Office to a Modified Scale Office in 1993.

Sidcup was allocated H50 in the 1887 to 1906 lists and 715 from 1924 to 1962.

3VOD Time in code Used from 12 AUG1885 to 9 JUN1894

Codes: A B C E Price C £8

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 11 OCT1894 to 28 FEB1897

Codes: AH*P C*P DK*P HF*P I*P IF*P Price F £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 18 JUL1897 to 7 OCT1898

Times: 915AM 1PM 430PM 445PM 715PM 815PM 830PM 915PM Price E £10

Squared Circles in use: MAY1881 to FEB1905



3VOD JUN1885 issued
when Sidcup became
a RSO

H59 WITTERSHAM

Sub Office of Staplehurst 1844 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to 1880, Sub Office of Rye 1880 to 1890, Independent Sub Office 1890 to 1894, Sub Office of Peasmarsch 1894 to 1928, Sub Office of Rye 1928 to 1935, Sub Office of Tenterden 1935 to present.

Wittersham was allocated number H59 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 8 OCT1889 to 22 DEC1911 Codes: A B

Price C £12 on cover, £6 on ppc.



3VOD
SEP1885

KENT H97-J24

H97 CHELSFIELD

London District Post 1846 to 1857, then the South Eastern District 1857 to 1865, Sub Office of Bromley. Moved to the Kent Provincial Area in 1865, Sub Office of Bromley 1865 to 1867, Sub Office of Chislehurst 1867 to 1885, Sub Office of Orpington 1885 to 1887, Independent Sub Office 1887 to 1908, Sub Office of Orpington 1908 to 1920. 3VOD H97 was issued in 1887 when Chelsfield became a Independent Sub Office.

Chelsfield was allocated number H97 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

3VOD Time in code Used from 24 MAY1892 to 2 SEP1892 Codes: A C Price G £20

3VOD Time in full Used from 14 SEP1900 to 20 SEP1920 Times: 730AM 945AM 1030AM 115PM 2PM 230PM 730PM 730invPM 8PM none Price A £4



3VOD
JUN1887

J16 FARNBOROUGH

Sub Office of Bromley, in the South Eastern District of London 1860 to 1865 and then moved into the Kent Provincial Area. Sub Office of Bromley 1865 to 1869, Sub Office of Beckenham 1869 to 1882, Independent Sub Office 1882 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1907, Sub Office of Orpington 1907 to 1920, Post Town 1920 to 1960, Town Sub Office of Orpington 1960 to present.

Farnborough was allocated J16 in the 1892 to 1906 lists then 514 in the 1950 list and 496 from 1950 to 1959..

3VOD Used from 22 JAN1888 to 28 NOV1921 Codes: A B C
Price A £12 on cover, £4 on ppc.



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J22 WESTERHAM

Sub Office of Sevenoaks 1844 to 1857, Sub Office of Edenbridge 1857 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to present.

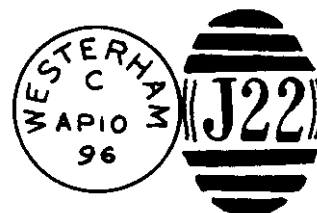
Westerham was allocated number J22 in the lists from 1892 to 1906 and then number 869 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

3VOD Time in code Used from 22 MAY1890 to 10 APR1896
Codes: C D E Price G £15

3VOD Time in full Used from 31 APR1897 to 23 APR1908

Times: 830AM 10AM 1015AM 12PM 121PM 2PM 3PM 315PM 5PM 515PM 6PM 8PM

Price A £12 on cover, £4 on ppc.



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IN THE PROOF BOOKS

J24 GREENSTREET

Sub Office of Sittingbourne 1844 to 1917/8.

Replaced by Teynham in 1917/8.

Greenstreet was allocated number J24 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

3VOD Time in code Used from 4 JUN1889 to 21 OCT1900
Codes: A C Price F £40

3VOD Time in full Used from 23 AUG1904 to 9 MAY1905

Times: 1045AM 645PM Price G £40

Squared Circles in use: FEB1881 to AUG1885



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KENT J31-J85

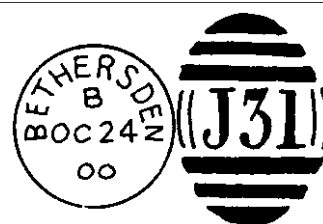
J31 BETHERSDEN

Sub Office of Tenterden 1845 to 1855, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1855 to 1869, Sub Office of Ashford 1869 to present.

Bethersden was allocated number J31 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 16 JAN1894 to 7 FEB1910 Codes: A B Bin v

Price E £25 on cover, £15 on ppc.



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IN THE PROOF BOOKS

J45 NEW TOWN SOUTHBOROUGH

Sub Office of Tunbridge Wells 1872 to present.

In 1910 became Southborough.

New Town Southborough was allocated number J45 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 8 SEP1890 to 5 JUN1902 Codes: A B C D E F

Price D £20



3VOD Not entered
in the Proof Books

J85 CHURCH LANE, OLD CHARLTON

Church Lane, Old Charlton was allocated number J85 in the lists from 1892 to 1902.

1881 to 1902 Receiving House under Old Charlton

1882 Number 379 3VOD issued with Church Lane Charlton Kent in the cds. Charlton is the Suburban District.

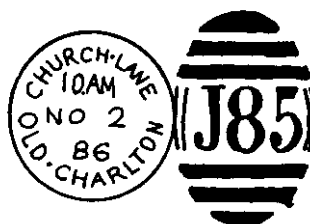
1891 Number J85 issued with Church Lane Old Charlton Kent in the cds. Old Charlton is the primary Receiving House in the Charlton Suburban District.

1902 Office renamed Charlton Branch Office.

1913 Transferred back to London from the Kent Provincial Area.



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IN THE PROOF BOOKS



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IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £100+ (Price if found on dated cover)

3VOD Time in code Used from 6 JUL1891 to 28 JUN1898 Codes: A B C E F G Price D £25

3VOD Time in full Used from 2 NOV1898 to 14 APR1900

Times: 10AM 12PM 3PM 515PM 8PM Price E £25

KENT J86-K31

J86 WOOLWICH RD. OLD CHARLTON

Replacement of Lower Road Old Charlton in 1892.

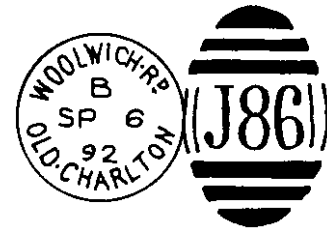
Sub Office of Old Charlton 1892 to 1906 +

1913 Transferred back to London from the Kent Provincial Area.

Woolwich Road, Old Charlton was allocated number J86 in the lists from 1892 to 1902.

3VOD Used from 26 SEP1892 to 16 JUN1898

Codes: C D E F H Price G £80+



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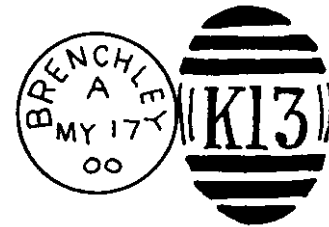
K13 BRENCHLEY

Sub Office of Lamberhurst 1844, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1845 to 1857, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1857 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1896, Sub Office of Paddock Wood 1896 to 1941, Sub Office of Tonbridge 1941 to present.

Brenchley was allocated number J86 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 19 JUN1892 to 27 OCT1909 Codes: A B C

Price B £15 on cover, £8 on ppc



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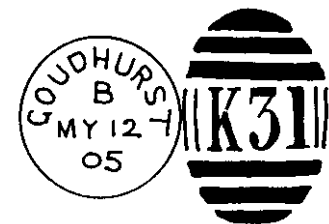
K31 GOUDHURST

Sub Office of Cranbrook 1844 to 1857, Sub Office of Staplehurst 1857 to 1889, Independent Sub Office 1889 to 1917, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1917 to 1921, Post Town 1921 to 1941, Sub Office of Tonbridge 1941 to 1951, Sub Office of Cranbrook 1951 to present.

Goudhurst was allocated number K31 in the lists from 1902 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 15 FEB1893 to 31 MAY1907 Codes: A B C D

Price D £15 on cover £8 on ppc.



3VOD NOT ENTERED
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

KENT K40-K49

K40 LITTLESTONE

Sub Office of New Romney 1890 to 1897, Independent Sub Office 1897 to 1921, Sub Office of New Romney 1921 to 1941, Sub Office of Ashford 1941 to 1955, Sub Office of New Romney 1955 to present. Littlestone was allocated number K40 in the lists from 1902 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 3 SEP1894 to 30 SEP1910 Codes: A B C

Price C £15 on cover £8 on ppc



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K49 MINSTER, RAMSGATE

Sub Office of Margate 1844, Sub Office of Ramsgate 1845 to present.

Minster, Ramsgate was allocated number K49 in the lists from 1902 to 1906.

3VOD Used from 14 JUL1894 to 24 OCT1907

Codes: A B C D Dinv E - Price A £10 on cover / £4 on ppc



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