

Trinidad

15 September 1852, 3rd issue, 1st Provisional, (printed)

Lithographed locally by Charles Pétit

No value expressed, no watermark, imperforate, yellowish or bluish cartridge paper, on sheets of 54 (6x9)

Pending the arrival of the 1d grey, 4th P&B consignment, invoiced on 30 September 1852

1d (13, 14) [8] blue

5,000 stamps printed, 15 September 1852

(?) on bluish cartridge paper, February 1853

29 covers recorded (very few on cartridge paper), from 16 September 1852 till 10 May 1853.

The use of both the ruined stamps and the need to print locally are explained by the failed arrival of the third delivery vainly expected for mid February 1852. Thus, it is noted that on 15 September 1852, in the presence of a policeman, one Mr Pétit, a skilful French printer, printed the lithographic stamps. The cover with the earliest date is of 25 September. These stamps are to be found in late use up to May 1853, even when a fourth consignment of 16,390 grey stamps had arrived from London in early November. The period during which the lithographic stamps were used lasted about 45 days. A printing of 4,000 items would imply a daily consumption of 90, whereas if there were 5,000, daily consumption would have been 110.

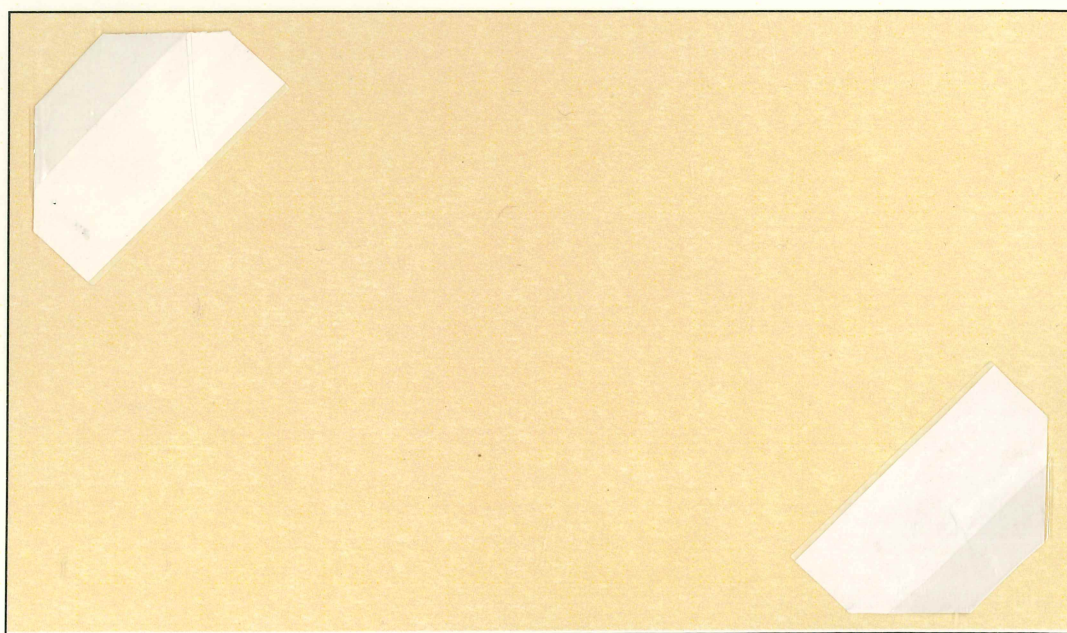
THERE WERE AT LEAST FIVE IMPRESSIONS OF THE PROVISIONAL ISSUES LITHOGRAPHED IN THE COLONY, THE QUALITY WORSENING AFTER EACH PRINTING.



1d on very thin yellowish paper



1d on thick paper, the so-called 'cartridge paper'



25 October 1852, from Port of Spain to Greenock. A 'Trinidad Price Current' entire date 123 October, paying the local postage of 1 penny, franked with a single 1d stamp of the first local printing in lithography.

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23rd issue. 22 January 1875 (invoiced)

Recess-printed by De La Rue & Co.

Watermarked 'Crown CC', perf. 14 and 14 x 12 1/2, on sheets of 110 (11x10)

1d	(75)	lake	1st consignment, 210.210 (1.911 sheets), 22 January 1875 2nd consignment, 128.480 (1.168 sheets), 29 April 1876 3rd consignment, 55.000 (500 sheets), 17 January 1877 4th consignment, 110.000 (1.000 sheets), 8 February 1877 5th consignment, 155.760 (1.416 sheets), 18 April 1877 6th consignment, 270.050 (2.255 sheets), 31 December 1877 7th consignment, 280.060 (2.546 sheets), 19 July 1880 8th consignment, 272.030 (2.473 sheets), 9 May 1881
4d	(76)	grey	1st consignment, 24.480 (222 sheets + 60 stamps), 22 January 1875 2nd consignment, 98.800 (898 sheets + 20 stamps), 9 May 1879 3rd consignment, 122.400 (1.112 sheets + 80 stamps), 19 July 1880 4th consignment, 51.360 (466 sheets + 100 stamps), 9 May 1881
6d	(77, 79)	green	1st consignment, 29.040 (264 sheets), 22 January 1875 2nd consignment, 49.680 (451 sheets + 70 stamps), 13 September 1876 3rd consignment, 60.720 (552 sheets), 29 May 1877 4th consignment, 58.080 (528 sheets), 8 April 1878 5th consignment, 24.960 (226 sheets + 100 stamps), 19 July 1880
1s	(78)	yellow	1st consignment, 29.040 (264 sheets), 22 January 1875 2nd consignment, 48.720 (442 sheets + 100 stamps), 13 September 1876 3rd consignment, 12.960 (117 sheets + 90 stamps), 29 May 1877

common shades



27 August 1878 from Port of Spain to France, franked with a single 6d bright yellow green.

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March 1855, 7th issue, 2nd Provisional, (printed)

Lithographed locally

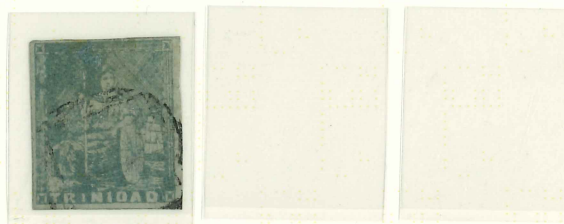
No value expressed, no watermark, imperforate, white paper, on sheets of 54 (6x9)

Pending the arrival of the 1d brick-red, 9th P&B consignment, invoiced on 2 April 1855

1d (15) [13] light blue no data available, possibly 22. [redacted] printed, March 1855
 22 covers recorded, from the end of [redacted] August 1855

Basing their orders on the consumption of the moment, the authorities evidently estimated requirements, and thus it was, that while waiting for the 9th consignment, they again had to make recourse to local printing. But Pétit had left the island in 1853, with the result that without the Frenchman's technical skill, the second printing, though using the original plate, was of poor quality and later deteriorated even further. This second lithographic printing can be estimated at 12,000 items to cover the requirements of the months of March and April 1855.

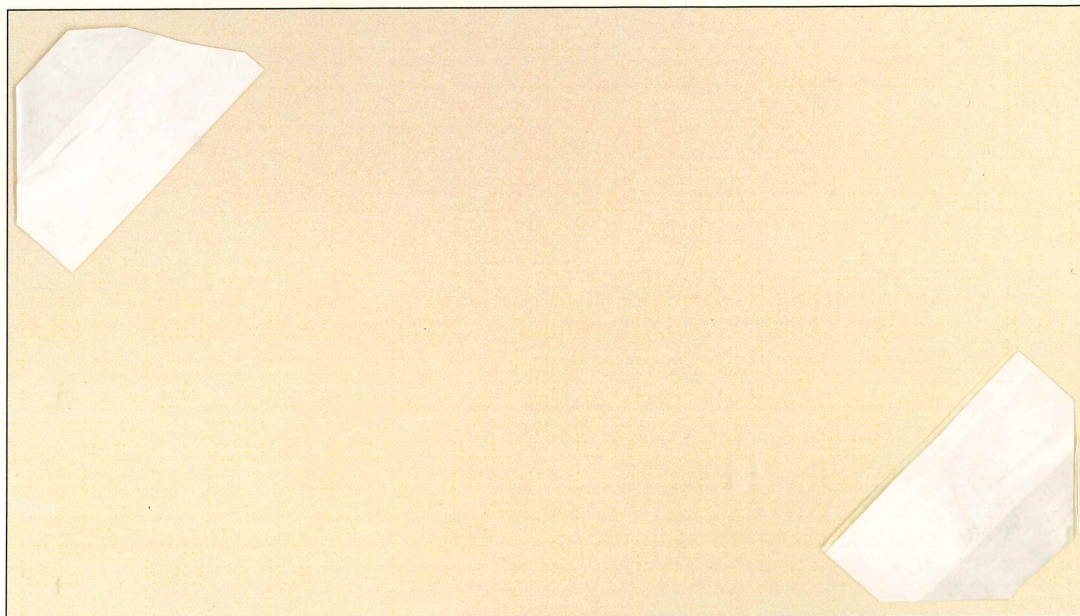
LITHOGRAPHIC SECOND PRINTING. STAMPS AVAILABLE FROM MARCH TILL JUNE 1855



1d light blue of the 2nd lithographic printing, (SG 15)



7 June 1855, to Corsica (France). Paying the local postage of 1 penny, has been rated on arrival 15 décimes. Handstamped by framed red accountancy mark 'Colonies &c ART 13' for British unpaid letters sent to France.



10 April 1855 to Glasgow, arrived on 3 May, 23 days later. Paying only the local postage of 1 penny, the cover has been charged 6d on arrival.

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Mid July 1856, 8th issue, 3rd Provisional, (printed)

Lithographed locally

No value expressed, no watermark, imperforate, white paper, on sheets of 54 (6x9)

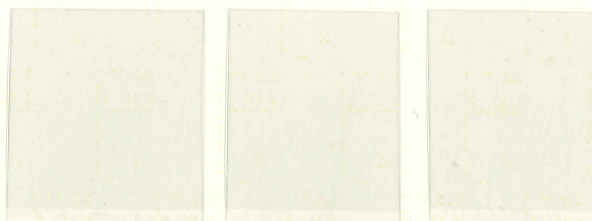
Being exhausted the 10th P&B consignment, invoiced on 31 December 1855

1d (16) [14] bright blue

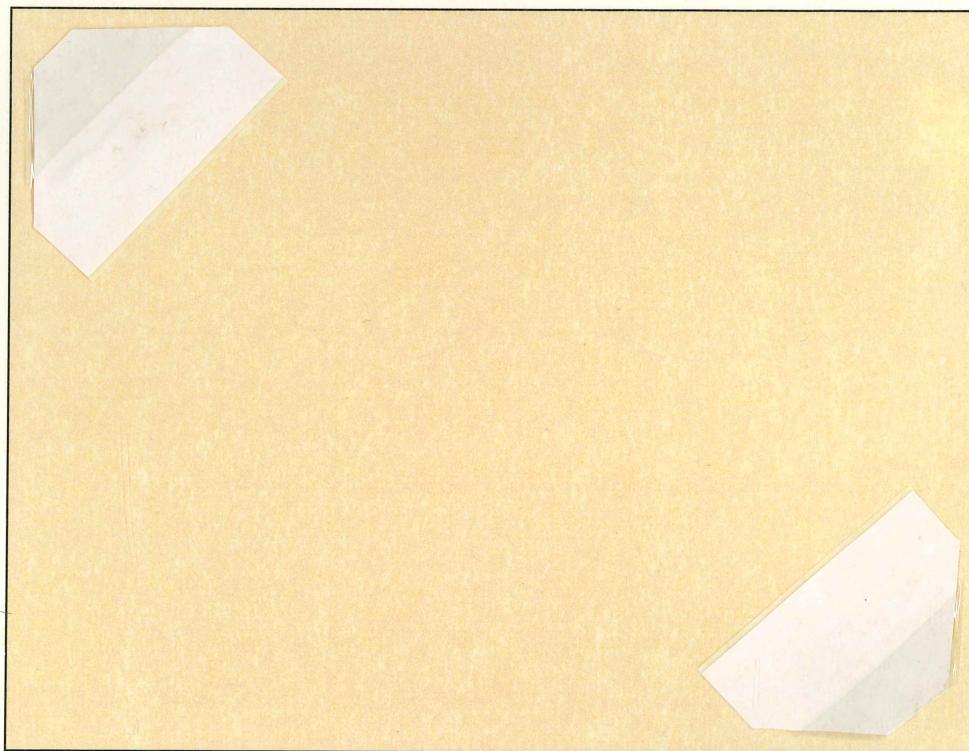
no data available, possibly 50. [redacted] printed, August 1856

6 covers recorded, from 25 July 1856 to 15 February 1857

LITHOGRAPHIC THIRD PRINTING. STAMPS [redacted] FROM AUGUST TILL DECEMBER 1856



1d deep blue, third lithographic printing, (SG.14) 16



2 December 1856, a large part wrapper from San Fernando to Port of Spain. Rated 4 pence, paying a four weighted letter, franked with a strip of three from lower left corner of the sheet, and a single 1d stamp. [ex Charlton Henry and Amundsen]

St. Vincent

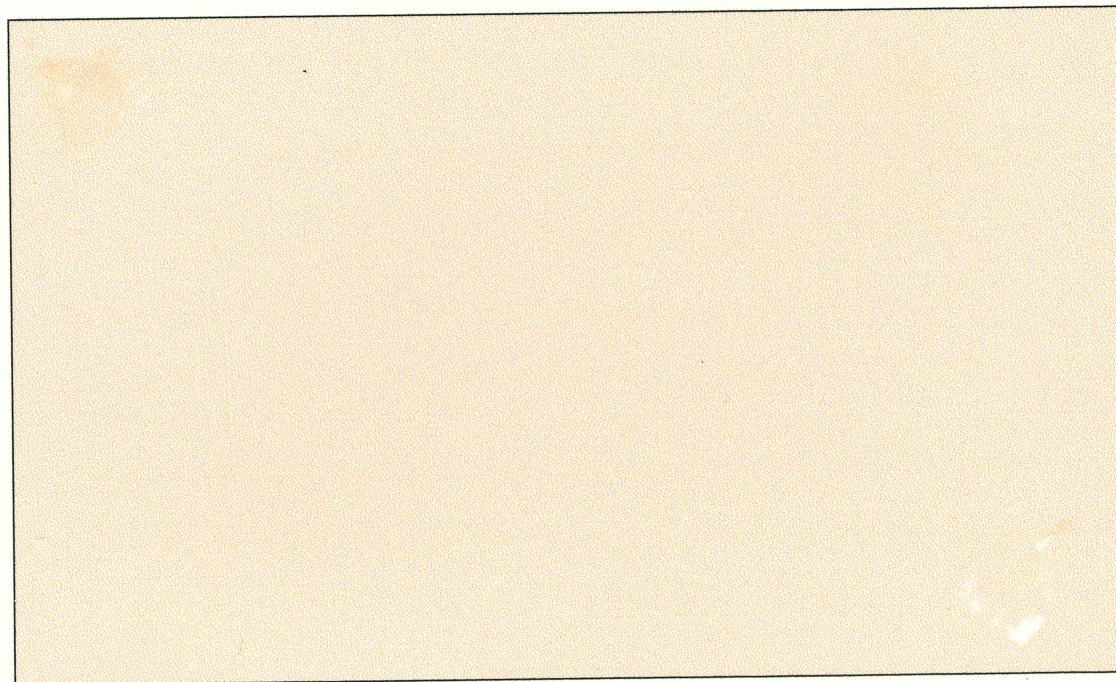
6th issue. March 28, 1871

Recess printing by Perkins & Bacon

Watermark 'Small stars', perf. (A) 14 to 16 on sheets of 60 (6x10)

1d.	(15)	black	Printing: 18.000 (300sheets)
6d.	(16)	blue green	Printing: 18.000 (300 sheets)

The St. Vincent authorities complained of the quality of the paper and of the poor gumming. From this issue the paper became watermarked 'Small stars', supposed to be of a better quality, where the intended position of a single star was at the centre of each stamp. When the paper sheet was printed, the star should have a point upward (upright). If the sheet was turned 90 degrees the star apperas with two points upward; in this case the watermark is called 'Sideways'. Both the 1d. and the 6d. stamps come with very thin or with thick paper. On the thicker paper the watermark is hardly visible.



July 26, 1871 to Paris, arrived there August 12. The cover is rated 8 pence, franked with a sigle 4d. blue of the 3rd issue of August 1866, a pair of the 1d. rose of the 2nd issue, VI printing (the last one) of July 1870, and a pair of the 1d. black of 6th issue.

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October 1858, 10th issue, 4th Provisional, (printed)

Lithographed locally

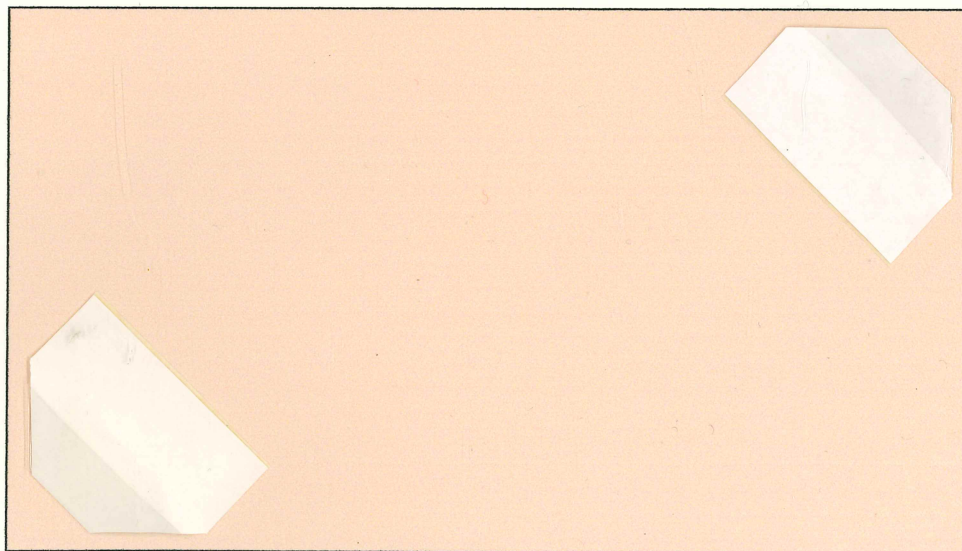
No value expressed, no watermark, imperforate, white paper, on sheets of 54 (6x9)

Pending the arrival of the 1d rose-red, 14th P&B consignment, invoiced on 26 October 1858

1d (17, 18) [16] slate blue no data available, possibly 10.000 stamps printed, October 1858
shades *known used from October 1858*



1d deep blue, slate blue, greenish blue (SG 17, 18)



10 December 1858, sent to Ile Rousse, Corsica (France). Paying the local postage of 1 penny, has been rated on arrival 8 décimes. The letter is also handstamped by framed accountancy mark 'GB 1f. 60c' for British unpaid letters sent to France.

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March 1860, 13th issue, 5th Provisional, (printed)

Lithographed locally

No value expressed, no watermark, imperforate, white paper, on sheets of 54 (6x9)

Pending the arrival of the 1d red 18th P&B consignment invoiced on 24 March 1860

1d (19) [24] bluish-grey

no data available, March 1860

12 covers recorded (8 with the stamp used alone), from 22 April till 1 May 1860



1d grey (shades), SG 19



April 1860, from Port of Spain to Barbados, arrived on 25 April. Franked with a strip of five of the 1d in the bluish-grey shade. Charged also 1 penny on arrival as the local distribution fee. [ex Amundsen, Burrus, Cartier, Caspary]

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15 May 1862, 17th issue, (invoiced)

Recess-printed by De La Rue & Co.

No watermark, perf. 11 3/4, 11 3/4 compound with 11, on TH Saunders thick wove paper

1d on sheets of 110 (11x10)

4d, 6d and 1s on sheets of 240 (2 panes of 10 x 12)

1d	(60, 63a)	lake	1st consignment from DLR, 75.460 (686 sheets), 15 May 1862
4d	(61)	purple	1st consignment from DLR, 16.560 (69 sheets), 15 May 1862
6d	(62, 63b)	green	1st consignment from DLR, 9.360 (39 sheets), 15 May 1862
1s	(63)	bluish slate	1st consignment from DLR, 5.760 (24 sheets), 15 May 1862

STAMPS PERF. 11 3/4 (11 1/2 TO 12) COMPOUND WITH 11
(SG 63A AND 63B)

1d lake, (SG 63a)



23 April 1863 from Port of Spain to Guadeloupe. Rated 5d and franked with a single 1d lake (SG 63a) and a single 4d purple (SG 61). Figure '4' manuscript in red crayon for the 4d sea postage (inter-Antillean rate), 1d for the local Trinidad postage. The cover showing Crowned Circle 'Paid at Trinidad' has been charged on arrival 30 décimes. The 1d is from the right margin of the sheet and it is this margin that is perforated 11, the perforation holes being smaller and therefore the teeth wider than for the 11 3/4 (11 1/2 to 12) gauge on the other three sides of the stamp.

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May 1860, 14th issue, 6th Provisional, (printed)

Lithographed locally

No value expressed, no watermark, imperforate, white paper, on sheets of 54 (6x9)

Pending the arrival of the 1d red 19th P&B consignment invoiced on 14 May 1860

1d (20) [25] red

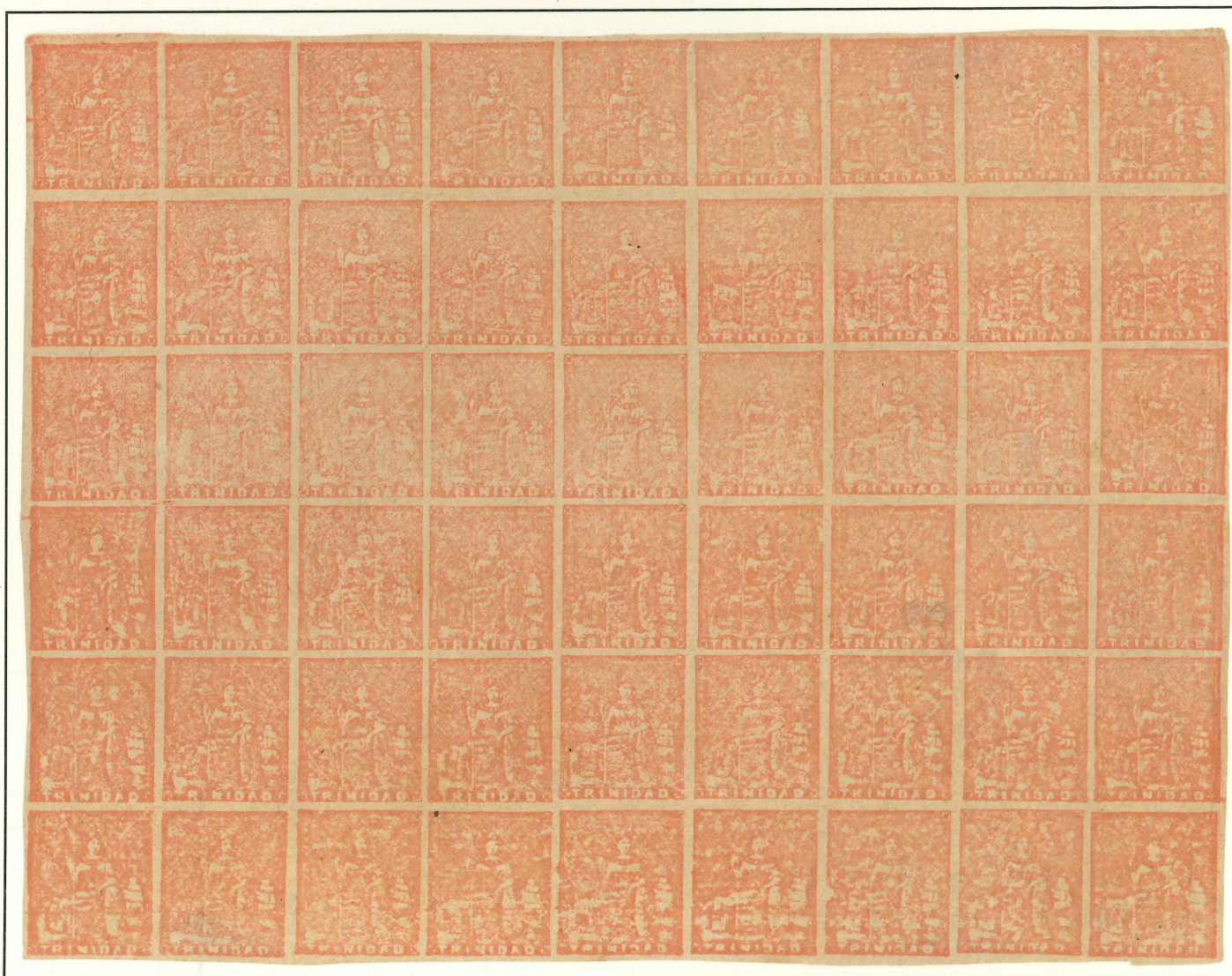
no data available, May 1860

3 covers recorded (one doubtful) used only in May 1860

Unused examples from the last printing in red, including complete sheets of 54 stamps, are plentiful and come from remainders found in the Colonial Secretary Office in 1882.



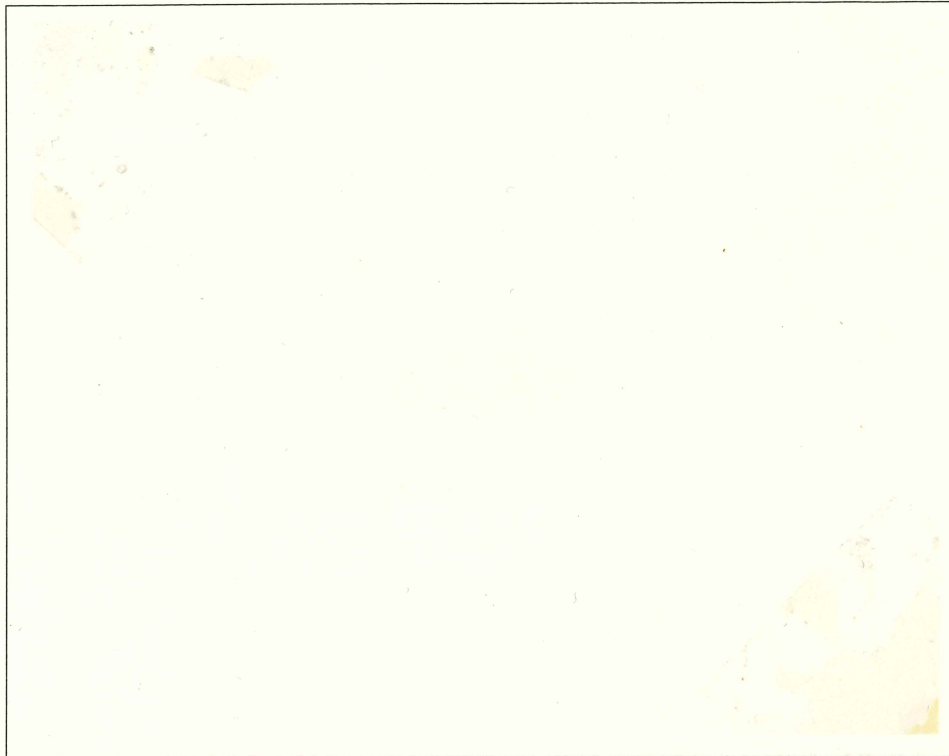
1d red (shades), (SG 20). Probably printed in the first days of May 1860



STORIA POSTALE DELLE ANTILLE

Colonie Olandesi
CURAÇAO

Lettere con Ricevuta di Ritorno [AVIS DE RECEPTION]



8 giugno 1895 da Curaçao a Budapest (arrivo il 28 giugno, 20 giorni), lettera raccomandata affrancata per 45 centesimi. Il francobollo da 10c. che rappresenta la sovratassa per questo genere di lettere è annullato col timbro A.R.