



The
Caroline Prentice Cromwell
Collection

— Part One —

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH 20th CENTURY
EXCLUDING CANADA AND NEWFOUNDLAND

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This auction catalogue contains the bulk of the Cromwell Collection of British Commonwealth but excludes the important Canada and Newfoundland sections.

Included in this auction are dozens of stamps which are not seen on the open market in tens of years and where consequently catalogue prices do not necessarily accurately reflect today's market levels.

An example of this was the sale in London in March 1957 of the Straits Settlements 1908-11 \$500 which, when catalogued at £750 by Gibbons brought £1200, resulting in the catalogue price being increased to £1750 in the 1958 catalogue. The Scott price was increased from \$2500 to \$2750 but is still \$610 under the open market auction realization.

Collectors interested in these big Commonwealth rarities would be wise to consider this situation when arriving at a decision at what level to bid.

Whilst many of the more reasonable Edward VII and earlier George V stamps in this collection are inclined toward heavy hinging, the rarities (with the exception of an odd item where it is mentioned) and the later issues are lightly hinged.

The Canada and Newfoundland collections, replete with great rarities, especially in the Newfoundland Air Post section, will be offered on February 27th immediately following the Caspary Sale Twelve (British Europe, Asia and Africa).



| No | Lot | JAMAICA | Cat Value | Real |
|----------------------|-----|---|-----------|-------|
| | 433 | 1903 to 1911, compl. coll. of these issues, o. g., heavily hinged, several badly creased, very good to fine (33-60) | 74.63 | 20 |
| | 434 | 1912-19 King George V 1p to 5sh, Surface-colored paper 3p to 1sh, compl. sets, o. g., heavy hinging, fine (61-73) | 24.00 | 7.50 |
| | 435 | 1919-21 MCA, wmk ½p to 10sh, compl. set, o.g., heavily hinged, fine (75-87) | 42.21 | 13 |
| link | 436 | 1919-21 MCA, 1sh bright orange & Orange, center inverted, o. g., heavily hinged and two perms nibbed but a fine copy of this desirable variety (Photo above) (83a) | 2,000.00 | 1350 |
| | 437 | 1921-23 Script wmk ½p to 10sh, compl. set, 1921-27 ½p, 6p, 1929-32 1p, 1½p, 9p, 1932 2p, 2½p, 6p, 1935 Silver Jubilee set, o. g., some heavily hinged, fine to very fine (88-112) | 37.29 | 7.75 |
| | 438 | 1937 to 1953, the compl. coll. of these issues incl. War Printing 1938 set also War Tax stamps compl., o. g., fine to very fine (113-154; MR1-11) | 45.35 | 11.50 |