

LEEWARD ISLANDS.

Some observations on the M.C./A. and M.C./B. perfins.

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A small quantity of these perfins came into my stock recently:- 1d postage stamps of Queen Victoria and King Edward VII Fees stamps. None has any cancel, so it looks as though all were used fiscally - the 1d to make up odd amounts below the 6d; the lowest value of the Fees issue.

A further interesting point is that the perfin seems to have been from a single die-pairs almost always have different alignments on both stamps, and apart from the example shown, I have not seen any with a double impression on the large format Fees stamps.

For the record, M.C./A. are about twice as plentiful as M.C./B. On the large format stamps, M.C./A. seems to occur upright and sideways in roughly equal quantities; but all the M.C./B. on this type I have seen are inverted. I'd be interested in further observations, (Illustrations on next page.)
