

PRESTWICK CRASH COVER

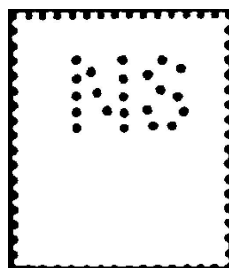
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I have recently purchased a Prestwick crash cover. I picked it up from Dr. Owen White at the Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada meeting in Toronto last month. The cost to me - all in - was CDN\$94.00 - roughly £43.75. It might set some sort of a benchmark price, as with 250 bags of mail on this particular flight, there may well be more perfin covers around from this crash.



(Illustration reduced)

Our catalogue editor **Roy Gault** has looked at the cover and writes. "The perfin die looks to be "NS" (N2860.05) known used by the Stockbrokers, Newson-Smith & Co 1945-1957. Section 'N' of the New Illustrated Catalogue lists the stamps as having come from vertical delivery coils. Looking at the stamps on the cover, they show slightly angled cut tops and bottoms, pointing to them having come from vertical delivery coils and an 'affixing' machine. They are all loose stamps, which is heartening, as horizontal multiples shouldn't exist."



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