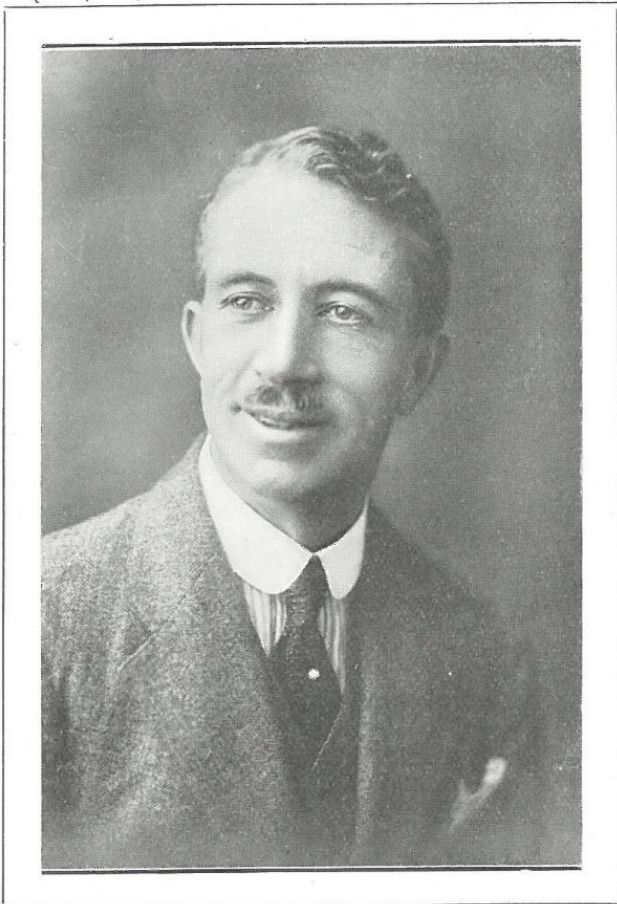




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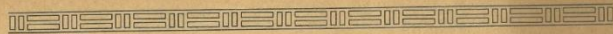
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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9th, 1925
AT 3 O'CLOCK



CATALOGUE

— of —

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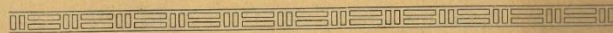
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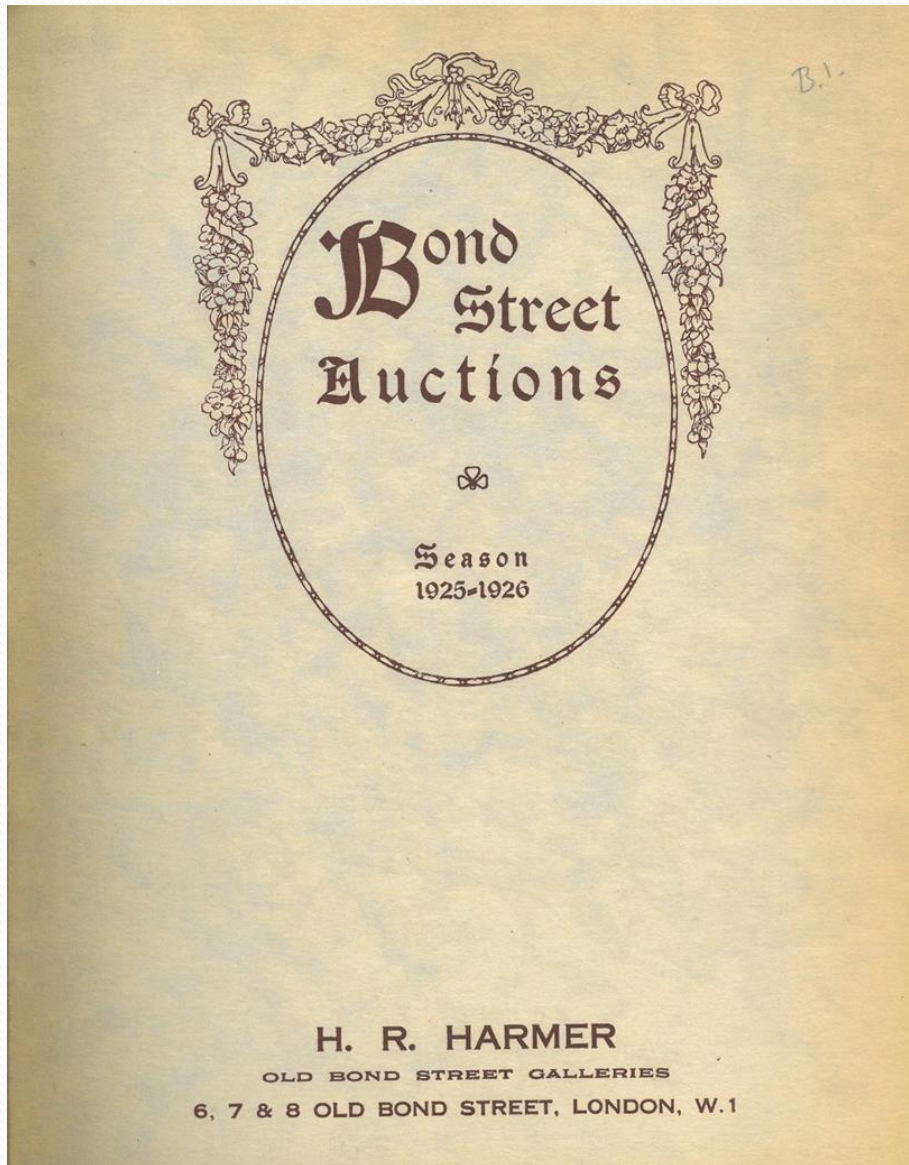


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Cover of the Mayfair Find auction catalogue 1925



The first Annual
Résumé for the
Season 1925-1926



A view of the first Loan Exhibition of Air Post stamps at the Old Bond Street office 1930



Plate of the "Post Office" Mauritius Stamps.

FROM this small copper plate, roughly engraved by a French watchmaker of Port Louis, were laboriously printed, in the year 1847, two of the rarest postage stamps of the British Empire. The 1d. and 2d. "Post Office" stamps of Mauritius were, incidentally, the first to be issued by a British Colony. Only twenty-six copies in all survive to-day and are valued at upwards of £5000 each.

THE original plate employed for their production (illustrated) was brought home by a former Governor of the Island and eventually it came into the hands of a client of the House of Harmer, on whose behalf it was exhibited *hors concours* at the Berlin Philatelic Exhibition of 1930, where it created somewhat of a sensation. Judged by size and weight alone, it is the most valuable piece of copper in the world!

THIS historical relic we have recently disposed of by Private Treaty for a figure commensurate with its philatelic importance.

The sale of the Mauritius 1847 Post Office printing plate to Maurice Burrus 1930



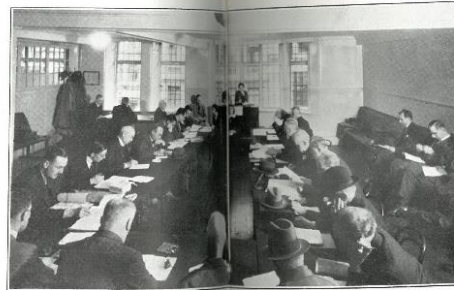
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Miss Barbara Falgar



Bond Street
Stamp Auctions.



A view of the auction room and offices 1933

PLATE V

September 25th and 26th, 1933



A Photo Plate from a 1933 auction catalogue

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THE

“HIND”

COLLECTION



Arthur Hind

Monday, May 7
Tuesday, May 8
and
Wednesday, May 9
1934

SECOND SALE



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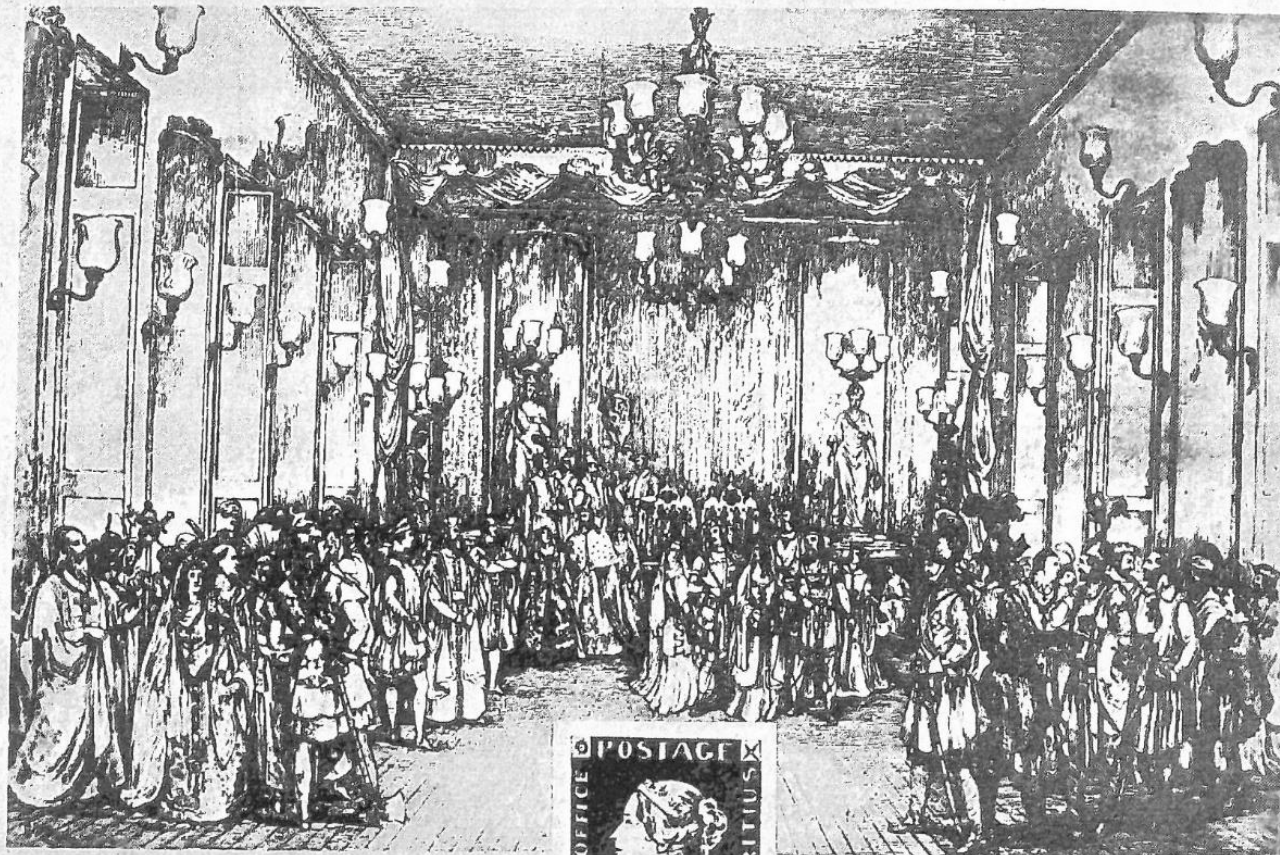
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Cover of a Hind
Collection auction
catalogue 1934



An auction in progress circa 1935



Fancy Ball given by Lady Gomm at



Government House 30th September 1847

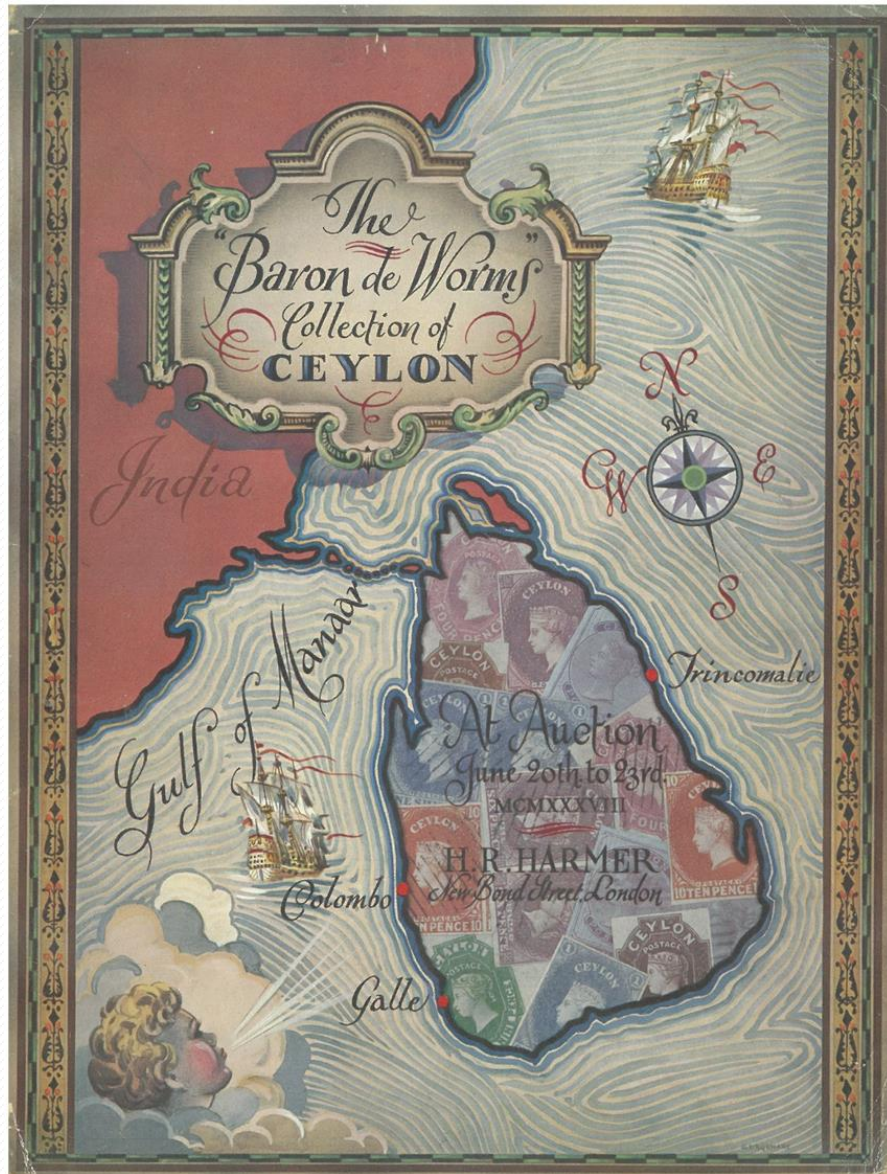
H R Harmer Christmas card



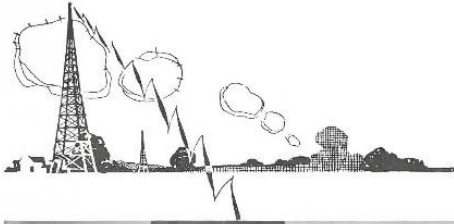
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Empire Postage Stamps
May 10th & 11th 1937*



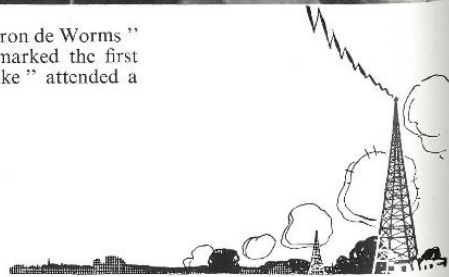
HARMER'S
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Cover of the
Baron de Worms
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Ceylon auction
catalogue 1938



A Broadcast of a portion of the " Baron de Worms " Ceylon Sale, on June 21st, 1938, marked the first occasion on which the B.B.C. " mike " attended a stamp auction.



Baron de Worms sale auction room, BBC Radio broadcast 1938

May 23rd and 24th, 1938.

COLOUR-PLATE



A 1938 colour
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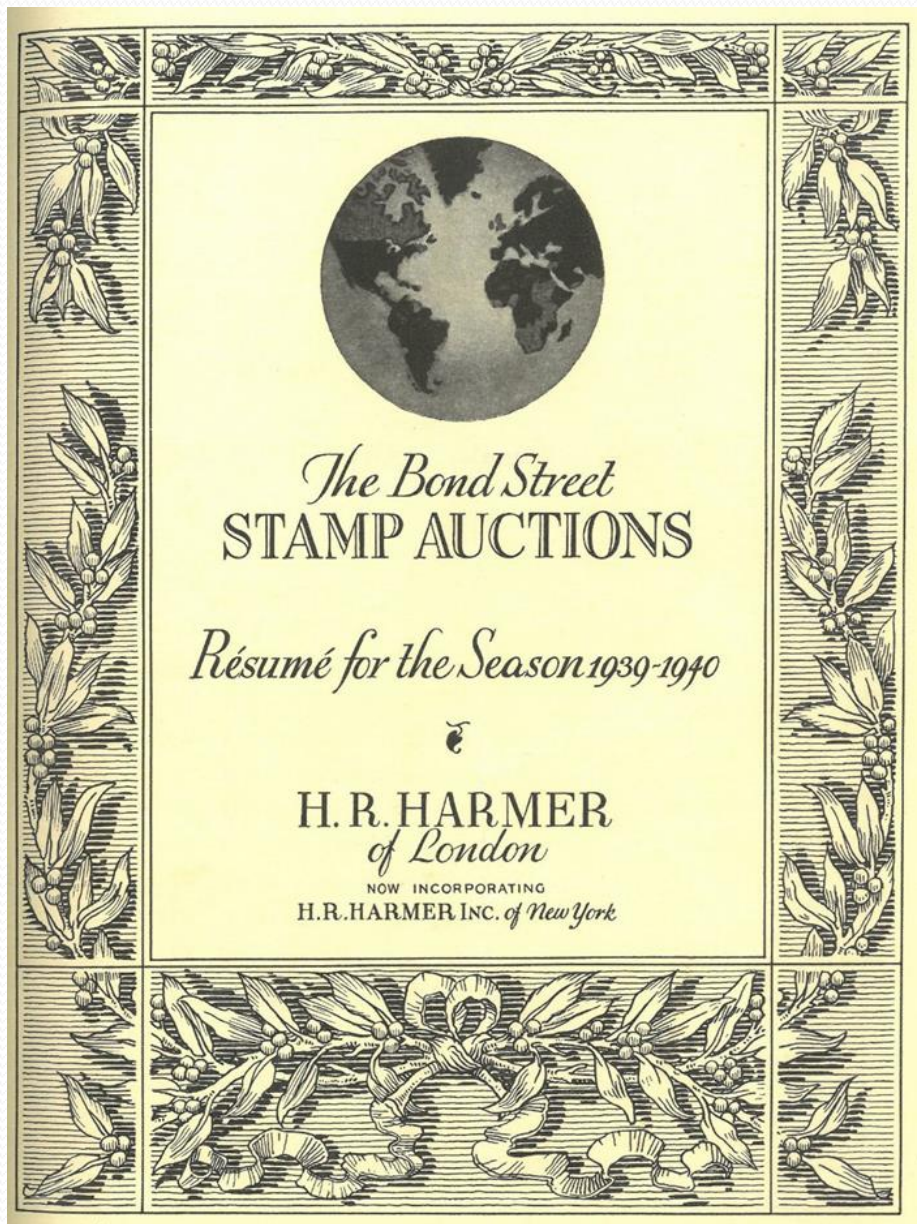
THE
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Rare Classic Postage Stamps

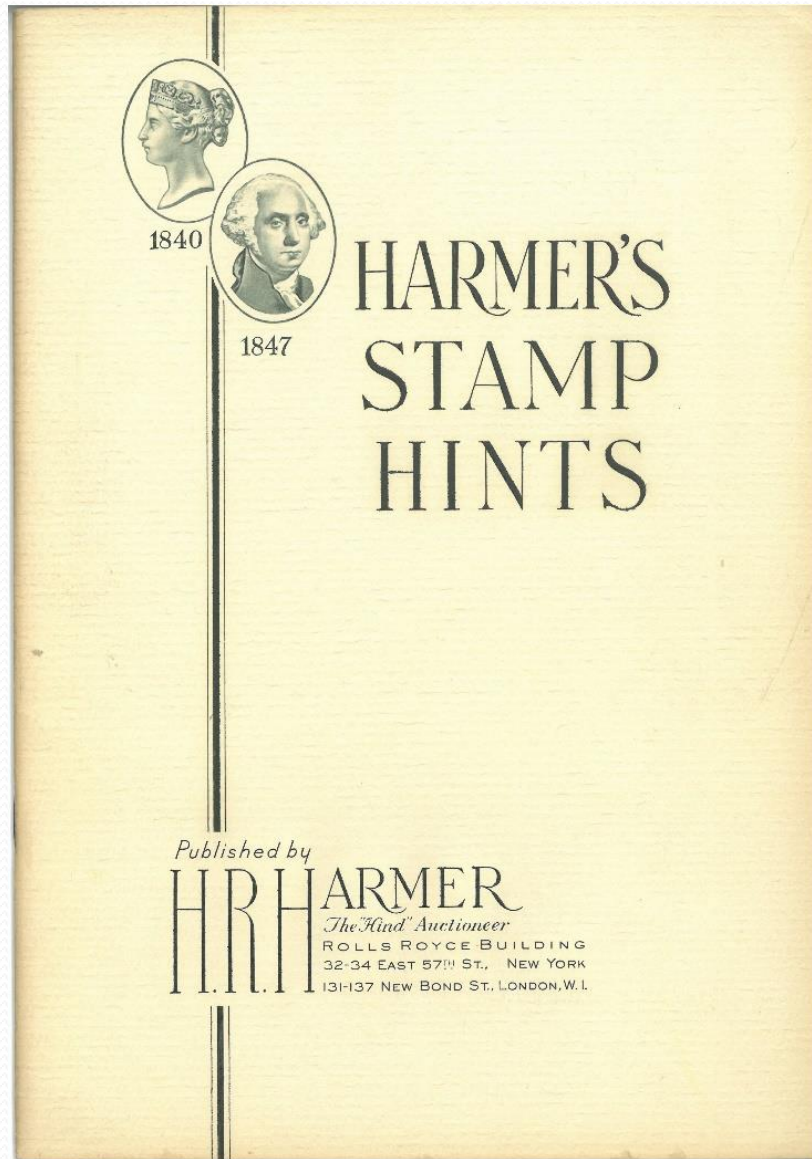
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Cover of the K J
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Cover of the
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Harmer's Stamp Hints
Nine numbers
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**A PICTURE FROM
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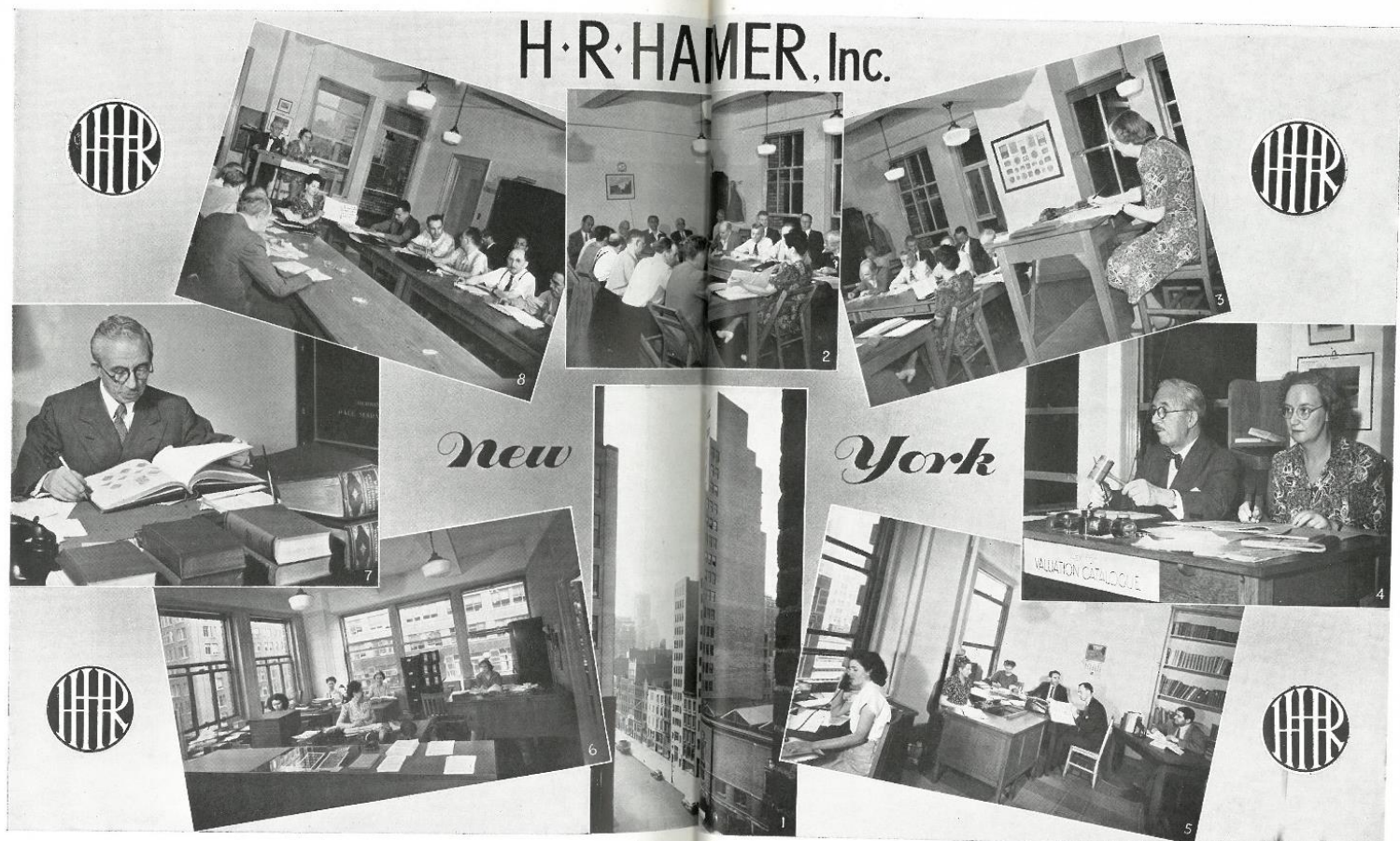
Received from Oflag VIIB just as the *Résumé* was going to Press. Mr. Cyril Harmer in the centre of the front row looks fitter than we had dared to hope despite the many reassurances his letters have given to us.



Cyril Harmer Prisoner of War



H R Harmer
and Cyril
Harmer in
1945 in New
York



H R Harmer Inc. New York, view of office and auction room 1945



Bernard Harmer
with albums from
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Collection
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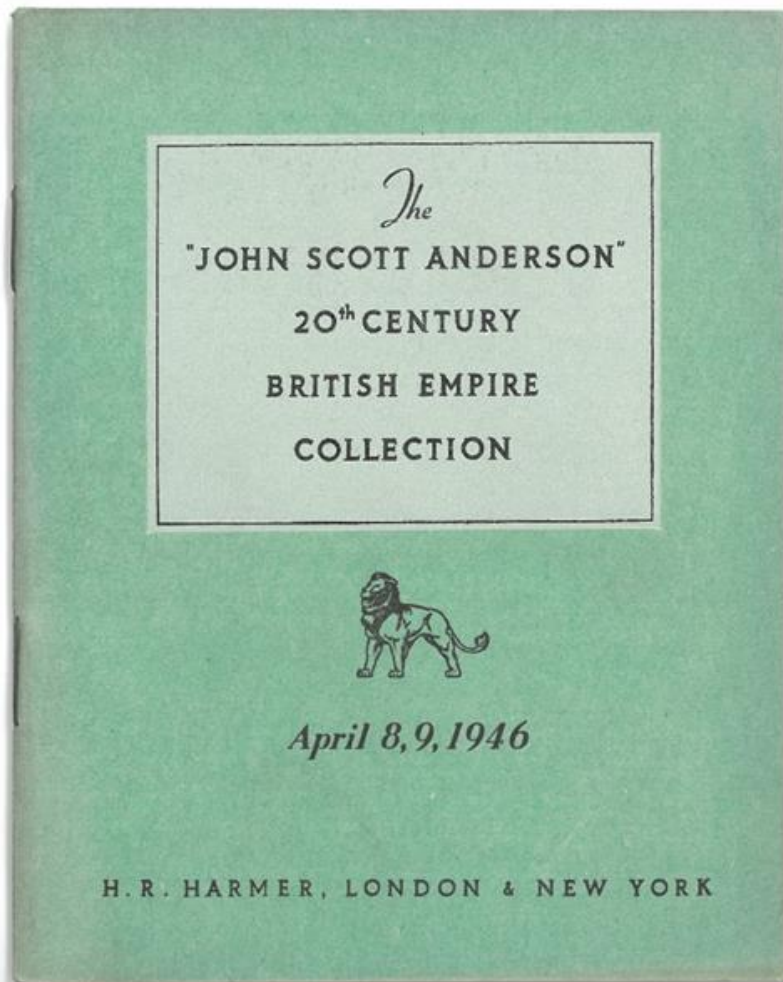


H R Harmer
conducting a
Roosevelt
Collection
auction in New
York, 1945

*"It is going against you," says Mr. H. R. Harmer during the first
"Roosevelt" Auction in New York.*



Bernard
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Cover of one of the
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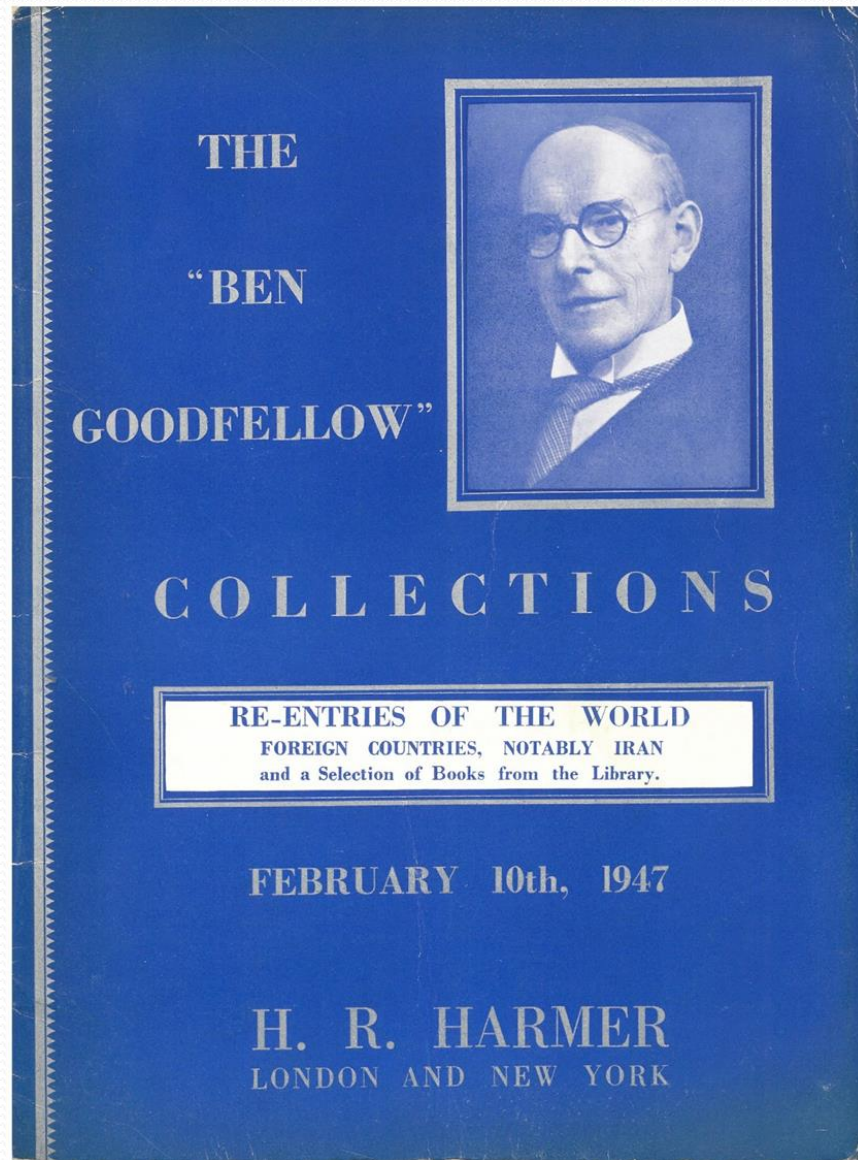


THE "F. H. BRYANT"



Cover of the F H
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London, New York and Sydney staff 1948

Television of a Stamp Auction

HOW a great philatelic "sale" came to be featured on a T.V. programme and how the "star", Richard Dimbleby, nearly bought a Cape "Woodblock error" are related below.



BBC TV Broadcast 1950

Richard Dimbleby, Cyril Harmer, Leslie Harmer, Bernard Harmer, Ken Chapman, Mick Michael, and Jo Saatchi

Where we work

In three Continents



London



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New York



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Sydney



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THE H. R. HARRIS ORGANISATION.
Nos. 2, 7 and 9—The General Offices.
Nos. 3 and 8—Despatching Departments.

Photos: Nos. 1 and 6—The Auction Rooms.

Nos. 4, 5 and 10—Exterior Views.

London, New York and Sydney offices 1950

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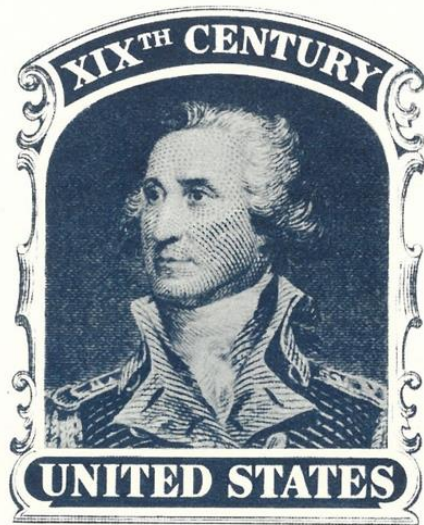
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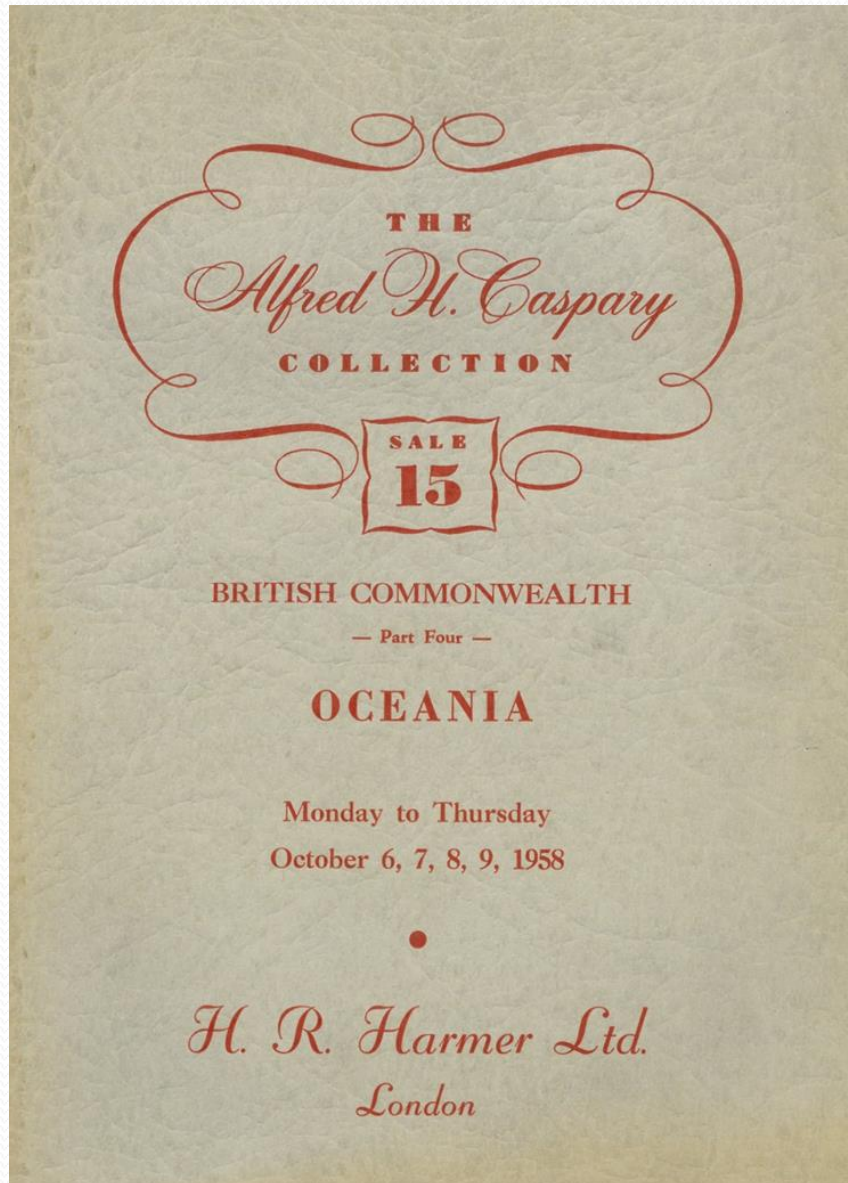
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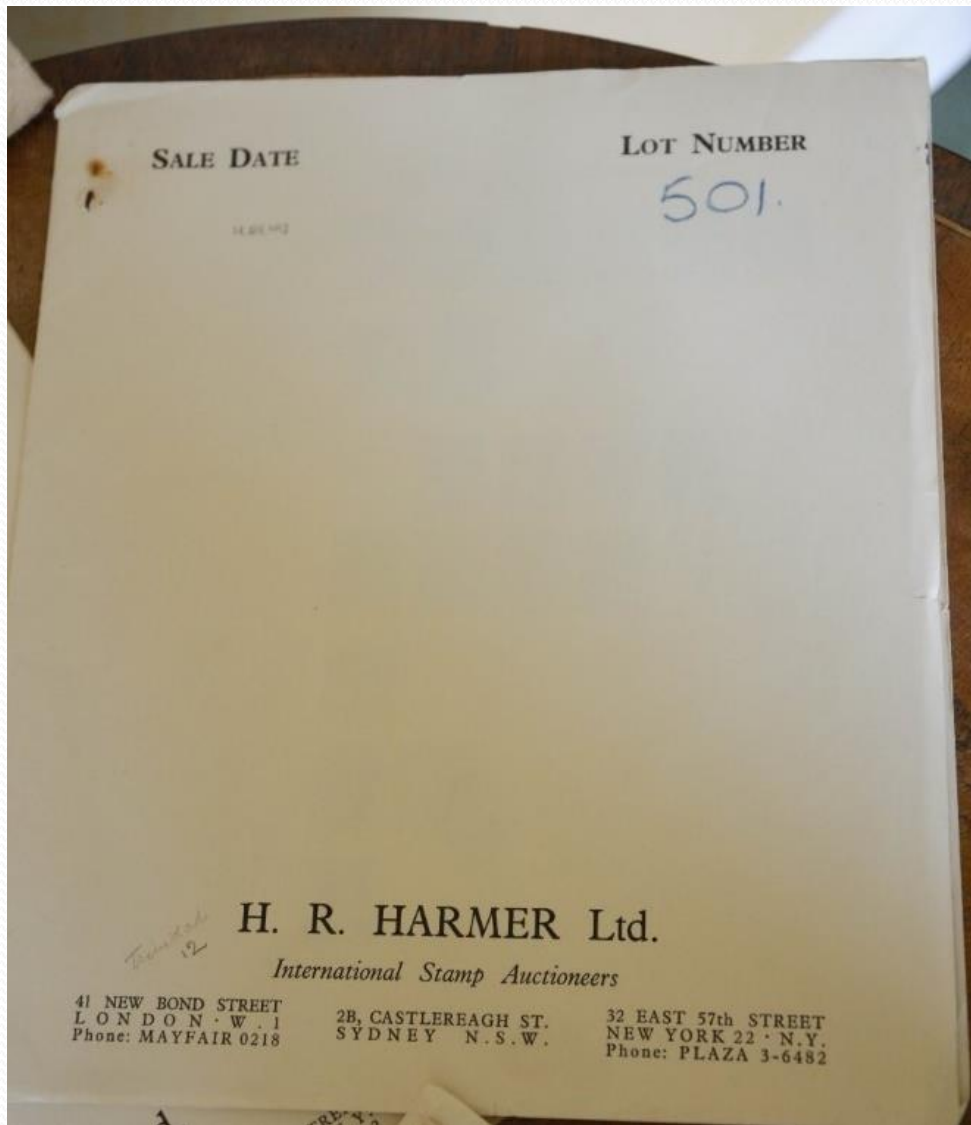
The London International Stamp Exhibition, 1960

A view of Harmer's Stand at the Festival Hall

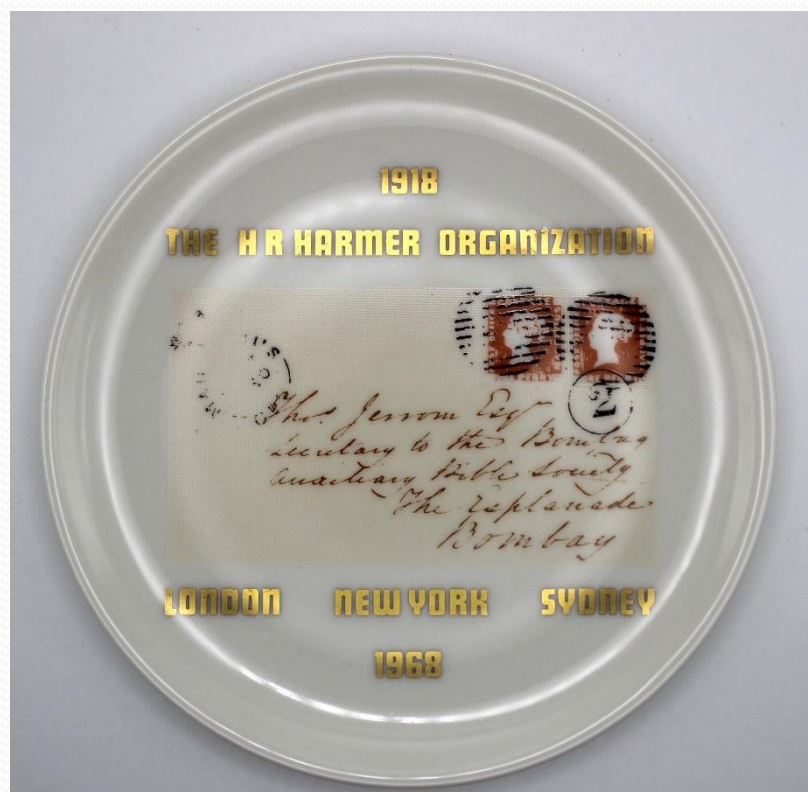
The H R Harmer stand at the London Stamp
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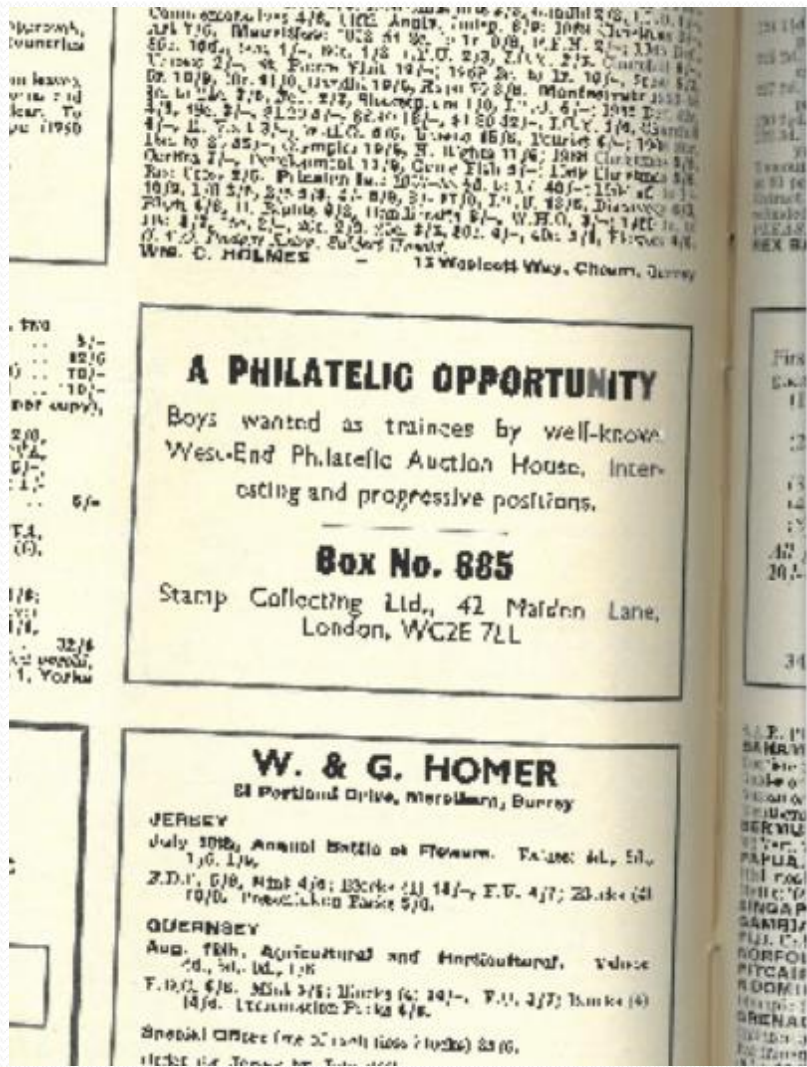
A view of
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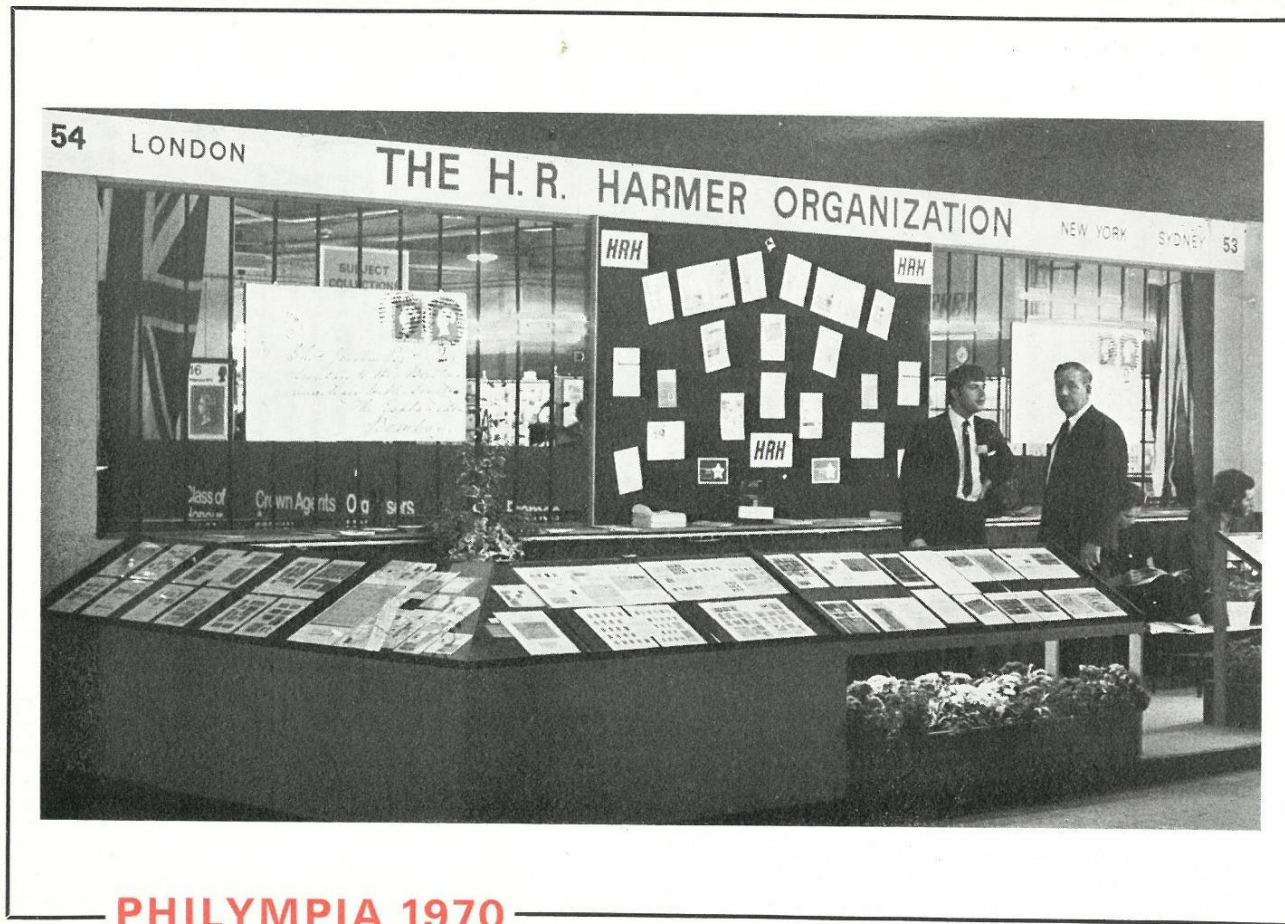
Some auction
lot covers



A commemorative plate issued to mark the Dale Lichtenstein sales in 1968



‘Boys Wanted’ Stamp Collecting 1970



The H R Harmer stand at the London Philympia exhibition 1970

Miss Falgar



Miss Falgar (left) enjoys a chat with Drene Harman and Joan Holmes at her "farewell" party. (Photo Trevor Davies)

Miss Barbara
Falgar retires
1971

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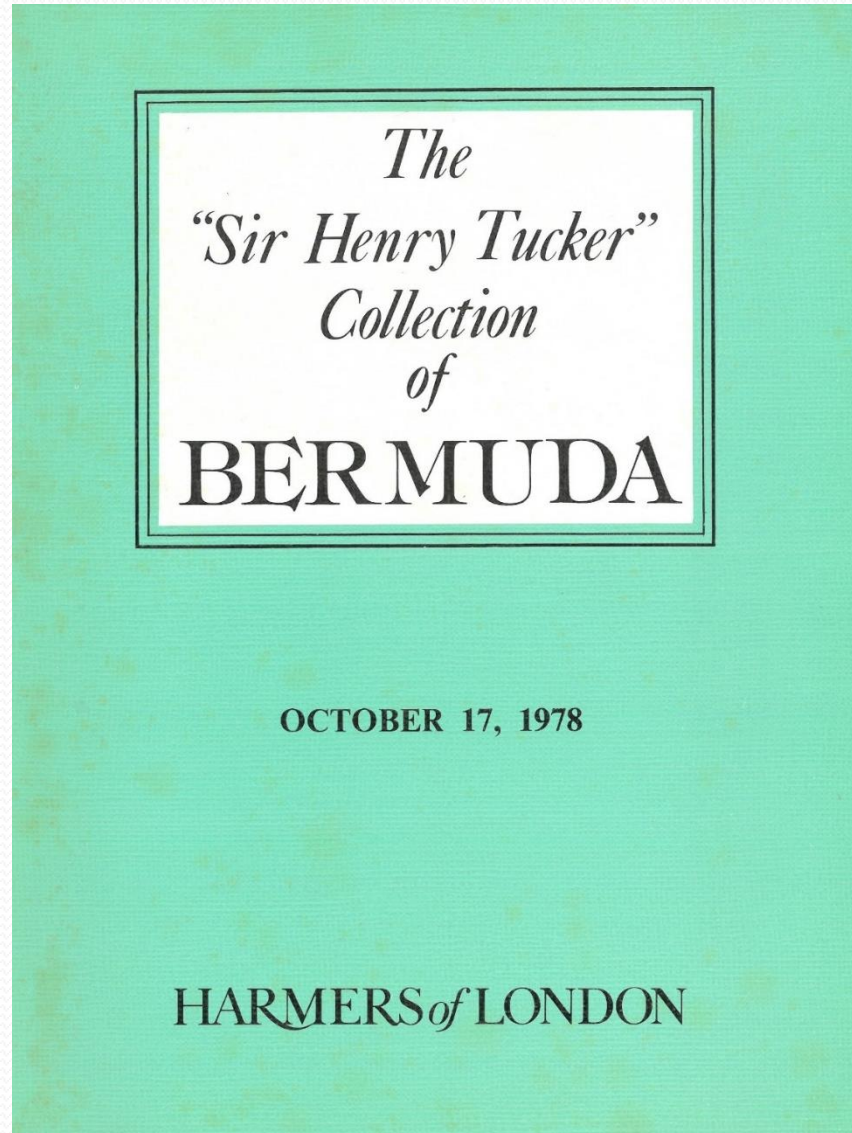
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Tucker sale page
showing photo plates



Harmer family
boats in the UK





A shot of the American branch of the family



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