



TURKS-ISLANDS STAMPS AND POSTAL HISTORY

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Cover image: The cover image shows Jo Bodeon, a back-roper in the mule room at Chace Cotton Mill. Burlington, Vermont. This and other similar images in this book were taken by Lewis W. Hine, in the period between 1908-1912. These images as well as social campaigns by many including Hine, helped to formulate America's anti-child labour laws.

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1917_WAR_TAX_STAMPS

Turks Islands

1917 War Tax

During the war, many British Colonies employed this form of taxation to augment their war coffers. [Antigua](../antigua/introduction), Bahamas, Bermuda, British Guiana, British Honduras, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Falkland Islands, [Fiji](../fiji/introduction), Gold Coast, Grenada, Jamaica, Malta, Montserrat, St. Helena, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad and Tobago, and Turks and Caicos all over-printed stamps that were pressed into use as war tax stamps

First Printing, 3rd January 1917



Figure 1: SG number: 140/ab 1917 (3 Jan) 1d red, type 40 'WAR TAX' opt at bottom of stamp (first printing), right marginal block of 8 (4x2) from R6-7 of a sheet on which the right column was only partially inked, causing a deliberate second application of the opt to that column only (extending into margin), fine o.g. (usual lightly toned gum). A rare and remarkable piece, with two horizontal pairs showing 'opt double in pair with normal'. Ex Frazer. Gibbons £750.



Figure 2: TURKS & CAICOS IS 1917 (UNUSED) SG140d

Stock code: P10112123 SG number: 140d Categories: Commonwealth Stamps Condition: UNUSED Issue Year: 1917 1917 (3 Jan) 1d red, type 40 'WAR TAX' opt in black, first printing, left marginal block of 8 (4x2) with part centre guide, ERROR OPT INVERTED (at top), o.g. (lower row unmounted). Typical slightly brownish gum but very fine appearance. A spectacular multiple. (cat £520+ £425 Gibbons Sale List, 2012.)

Second Printing

Varieties

The stamps were surcharged locally using a setting of 60 types (in ten rows of six). These had to be impressed twice on the 1d value



Figure 3: 135 S.G. #143c S.G. #143c, 1917 "War Tax" Overprint on 1p Red, horizontal pair, one with overprint omitted, left sheet-margin pair, the left stamp without overprint and the right stamp with overprint split between top and bottom, deep rich color, o.g., lightly hinged, fine; an eye-appealing "War Tax" overprint error (Scott #MR3c; \$625.00). £550

SOLD for \$600.00, Gross Sale



Figure 4: TURKS & CAICOS IS 1917 (UNUSED) SG143f

Stock code: P11214061 SG number: 143f Categories: Commonwealth Stamps Condition: UNUSED Issue Year: 1917 1917 (Oct) 1d red, type 40 'WAR TAX' opt, second printing, vertical pair from lower left corner of sheet, the upper stamp error OPT DOUBLE (one at top, one at bottom), fine o.g. (usual lightly toned gum). Probably unique in this positional form.

and once on the sheets of 3d value.



Figure 5: TURKS & CAICOS IS 1917 (UNUSED) SG143f

£325 Gibbons Price list 2012.