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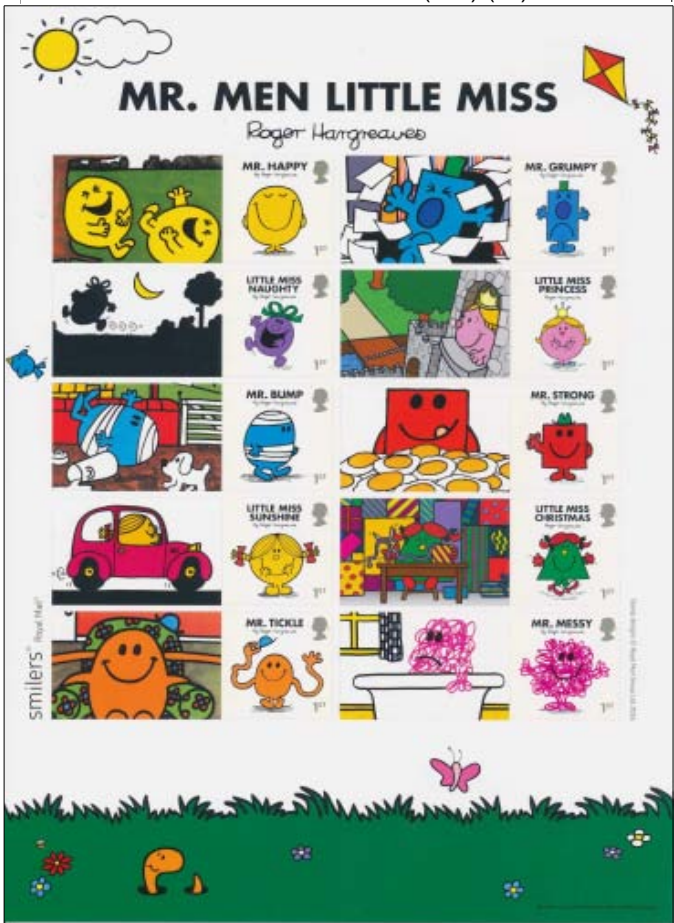
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Q3-16 DISPATCH							
GB	7.7.16	Music Giants - Pink Floyd (sa) Music Giants - Pink Floyd M/S					
GB	28.7.16	<p>Beatrix Potter (6v) (1st) Beatrix Potter M/S</p>  <p>Beatrix Potter Retail Booklet (sa) Beatrix Potter, ex retail booklet (sa) (2v) NVI 1st purple Machin (sa) code EIGC/O16R <i>[This Machin is not new, having already appeared in the QE2 90th Birthday retail booklets]</i></p> <p>Beatrix Potter PSB Beatrix Potter (4v) (2nd) <i>[These are the 4 stamps which appear in the M/S and which also appear in a pane in the PSB, in the same configuration. They differ from any sheet stamps. It is not economic for us to break up a PSB, so collectors who need these stamps for printed albums need to order them separately and will be supplied a M/S].</i></p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">It remains unclear that we will be able to place supplementary orders with Tallents House. Four e-mails remain unanswered including 2 orders sent over a 3 month period. Their web site remains broken. So either they come out of their comatose state or we can expect stockouts in the future.</p>  <p>6 x NVI 1st RM red Padlock retail booklet (sa) NVI 1st RM red Machin code MSIL / M16L, ex retail booklet (sa) <i>[This Machin is new, although we are unsure whether this is its first appearance. Reprints of previous booklets (which we do not have) could exist which contain this stamp.]</i></p>					

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		<p><i>A Metamorphous?</i></p> <p>Royal Mail is undergoing a branding change and ditching its distinctive eye-catching and appealing red / yellow booklet livery in favour of the new brown [bronze] Padlock livery (illustrated above). Apparently the padlock is to indicate that your mail is safe with Royal Mail. Stop laughing! This is serious! The new slogan, on the back of the booklet reads: "The Future. In Safe Hands". It seems more like an identity crisis to us (and others). Now if they could only fix their service delivery!</p> <p><i>Security Features</i></p> <p>Note that both the Beatrix Potter and Padlock retail booklets feature the new additional security feature of iridescent wavy line inscriptions to the substrate of self adhesive sheet & booklet stamps. These inscriptions may vary in font size, appear in upper and lower case, be inverted, or have irregular distances between lines. Deegam, sensibly, had stated that the <i>stamps</i> have not changed in these booklets and, consequently, no new listings will be made merely because of substrate changes. We await the decision of other catalogue publishers, particularly SG. The change, as we see it, does little to deter counterfeiters. It is true that forgeries can be detected upon close inspection and by philatelists with a little expertise. But the target market for forgers is the booklet retail outlets outside regular post offices and their usual non-philatelic customers. These shop owners have neither the time nor expertise to validate the genuineness of the booklets. However, sadly, they are probably knowingly complicit in the fraud. It is difficult to understand how one could not be suspicious when a large quantity of booklets is offered to you for a fraction of the purchase price from Royal Mail. Consequently, we are not confident that this additional security feature will help with Royal Mail's counterfeiting plight.</p>					
GB	16.8.16	 <p>Landscape Gardens (8v) Landscape Gardens Retail Booklet (sa) NVI 1st purple Machin (sa) code EIGC/O16R Landscape Gardens, ex Retail Booklet (sa) (2v)</p>			with iridescent matrix		
France	4.7.16 4.7.16 11.7.16 1.8.16	Somme Battle M/S Under the Sun Holiday (sa) (12v) Mediterranean Fish Flowers Galore (sa) (12v)		not new			
France	2.5.16 10.5.16 17.5.16 19.5.16 19.5.16 23.5.16 23.5.16 23.5.16 23.5.16 23.5.16 23.5.16 30.5.16 30.5.16	Red Cross (sa) (8v) Booklet Europa Saint-Brevin-les-Pins UEFA in varnish 3D M/S Courreges - plexiglass M/S Solitary Bees FFAP Congress, Place des Vosges, with label Louise Labé Solitary Bees M/S The 1970s M/S Paris Philex (gold foil) M/S Verdun Football (sa) (10v) Booklet			Exhibition items. Unable to obtain from Philatelic Bureau.		

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GB	14.9.16	Post & Go - Ladybirds (sa) (6v)					
GB	15.9.16	<p>Agatha Christie (6v in 3 vertical pairs)</p> <p>[stamps contain special features: micro text & messages only visible under UV]</p> <p>Some Mind-blowing Christie Facts:</p> <p>Dame Agatha Christie has written 66 crime novels, 6 romance novels. 150 short stories and 19 plays.</p> <p>Her works have appeared in TV, film, radio, publishing, stage, comics & digital games, all highly successful.</p> <p>She has sold 2 billion copies of her books worldwide -- 1 billion in the English language and 1 billion in over 100 different foreign languages.</p> <p>200 TV productions and ~30 films have been based on her novels which have sales of some 3 to 4 million copies each year.</p> <p><i>And Then There Were None</i> has sold over 100 million copies to date, making it the greatest selling crime novel ever and one of the best selling books of all time (6th) (<i>Don Quixote</i> is No1 at 500 million copies) [excluding religious & quasi religious books, eg <i>Bible</i> & Mao's <i>Little Red Book</i> etc].</p> <p>The <i>Guinness Book of World Records</i> has her as the best-selling novelist of all time.</p> <p>Hercule Poirot features in 53 novels, 1 play and 50 short stories making the Belgian detective one of the most famous fictional characters ever.</p> <p>When Christie killed off Poirot, he received an obituary in the <i>New York Times</i>, the only fictional character to do so.</p>					
Canada	12.7.16	NVI P x 5 Birds of Canada (sa) \$4.25 Birds of Canada M/S					
Canada	8.9.16	NVI P x 5 Haunted Canada (sa) \$4.25 Haunted Canada M/S					
Canada	23.9.16	NVI P x 6 NHL Forwards (sa) \$5.10 NVI P x 6 NHL Forwards M/S \$1.80 x 6 NHL Forwards (sa)					
Canada	26.9.16	(NVI P + 10¢) x 2 Community Foundation (sa)					
		<p>At last, a break through with Tallents House.</p> <p>I now have had 2 replies to my e-mails.</p> <p>And today (25 October), I placed my first order with their cold impersonal web site shop.</p> <p>Now, to wait 2 or so weeks to see if it gets delivered.</p> <p>Gone are the days when I could e-mail my long association postal manager at Tallents House on a first name basis to place a supplementary order or discuss any problems or queries.</p> <p>I actually thought that the 21st Century was to bring world peace and improved quality of life. WRONG!</p>					

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France	5.9.16	The Maquis of the Eagle Dam					
	5.9.16	Animal Proverbs (12v) (sa)					
	12.9.16	Françoise Giroud					
	12.9.16	UNESCO - Florida Panther					
	12.9.16	UNESCO - Ephesus, Turkey					
	19.9.16	Legendary Comic series - pair + 2 labels					
	25.9.16	Legendary Comic series M/S					
Q4-16 DISPATCH							
France	3.10.16	Planetary Correspondences (sa) (12v)					
	10.10.16	Stamp Day - Charleston					
	10.10.16	Swan Lake M/S					
	14.10.16	Lightning Propeller					
	17.10.16	Council of Europe - European Social Charter					
	24.10.16	Meurthe-et-Moselle, Toul (with label)					
	24.10.16	France / Portugal joint issue [Rue Royale, Paris]					
	27.10.16	Portugal / France joint issue [Arc de la rue Augusta, Lisbonne]					
GB	20.10.16	Mr Men & Little Miss (10v)					
		 <p>See below for stamp colour change</p> <p>Mr Men & Little Miss Retail Booklet (sa) 2B W/L bright fluor</p> <p>Mr Men & Little Miss ex Retail Booklet (sa) (2v)</p> <p>NVI 1st RM red Machin (code MCL / M16L) (sa) [ex Retail booklet]</p> <p>Mr Men & Little Miss Smilers Sheet (10v) (sa) 2B C/L dull fluor</p>  <p>Following SG's listing practices, stamps from the retail booklet will be given catalogue status, whereas those from the Smilers Sheet will not.</p> <p>However, both the retail booklet and the Smilers Sheet are regarded as stamp "entities" and will receive catalogue status.</p> <p>It is highly likely that mainstream GB hingeless albums will provide for the pair from the retail book issue.</p>					

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GB	20.10.16	<p>Standardisation of font to "Chevin" for all Royal Mail public communications; Thus: Font change to self adhesive booklet covers</p> <p>£3.84 - 112268 - 6 x 1st (MSIL / M16L) - Padlock cover</p>					
		 <p>New booklet Chevin font deep scarlet cruciform</p> <p>Old font vermilion cruciform</p> <p><i>Red Covers (1st); blue covers (2nd)</i> £6.60 - 112299 - 12 x 2nd (MTIL / M16L) £7.68 - 112282 - 12 x 1st (MTIL / M16L) £3.00 - 120645 - 4 x 2nd Large Letter (MFIL / M16L) £3.84 - 120638 - 4 x 1st Large Letter (MFIL / M16L) Set 5 booklets</p> <p><i>Self Adhesive Machins, ex booklets</i> NVI 2nd (MTIL / M16L) NVI 1st (MTIL / M16L) NVI 2nd LL (MFIL / M16L) NVI 1st LL (MFIL / M16L) Set 4v</p>					
GB	20.10.16	<p>Change of colour for red NVI 1st & 1st Large Letter stamps</p> <p>When Royal Mail red was first introduced on 3.1.13, it was intended to apply to the whole of Royal Mail including livery (vans, post offices, postal boxes etc), accessories & products (stamps, booklet covers, business sheets, cruciform logos, letterheads etc). However, the colour of 1st class stamps etc had drifted away from the desired colour because of inaccurate colour matching by printers. The colour of the current stamps has been darkened by the addition of 10% black ink to the colour mix to bring the colour closer to the desired Royal Mail red. The colour of booklet covers and business sheets will also be affected as will the Royal Mail cruciform (see padlock image above).</p>					
		 <p>Valid for items up to: 240mm Long 165mm Wide 5mm Thick 100g Weight</p> <p>☎ 03457 740 740 🌐 www.royalmail.com 📞 03456 000 606</p> <p>"old" font cover</p> <p>vermilion stamps</p> <p>"new" font cover deep scarlet [RMR2] stamps</p> <p>The darker red appears in the Mr Men & Little Miss retail booklet and the font change booklets above.</p>	Deegam says 10%, Norvic says 5%.				

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		<p>Stanley Gibbons will catalogue this colour as deep scarlet (previously vermilion). As it is still regarded as RM red, Deegam refers to it as Royal Mail Red 2 [RMR2]. <i>Padlock font change and stamp colour change images are courtesy of Norvic Philatelics, Dereham UK.</i></p>					
		<p><i>A Metamorphous?</i> The reissuance of the above booklets are a puzzle to us given the above comments on livery change. We suspect mis-communication or mis-interpretation somewhere. We shall just have to wait to see what evolves over time.</p>					
GB	8.11.16	<p>Christmas (sa) Christmas M/S Christmas Retail Booklets (sa) (2)</p>					
							
GB	14.11.16	Post & Go - Hibernating Animals					
France	7.11.16	<p>Reopening of the Bièvre-Valde Marne Brive-la-Gaillarde European Capitals - Amsterdam M/S Marie Laurencin [Art] M/S French Red Cross M/S Feathers - Handwriting M/S</p>					
		