BRITISH GUIANA - 1850

Called the 'crudest classic issue by a government post office in the British Empire,' the design is reminiscent of the labels at the end of cotton thread spools, and were known as "Cotton Reels.' This 12-cent was the high value of the series.





'Offspring'
GUYANA – 1979

CANADA - 1851

The 3 pence was the first stamp of the series and the first animal to appear on a stamp.







Specimen

Red cancel







CANADA - 1851

The 12 pence 'black Victoria' is a now a highly valued stamp, but was unpopular with the public in its day (of 50,000 originally printed only 1,450 were sold)





• 'Mother' 12-pence Specimen pair







• 'Offspring' AJMAN – 1965

BARBADOS - 1852

No values printed; instead, colors indicated values for this Britannia [Paradoxically, the lowest value of the set (one-half pence, deep green) is now its most highly valued]







'Offspring' BARBADOS – 1952