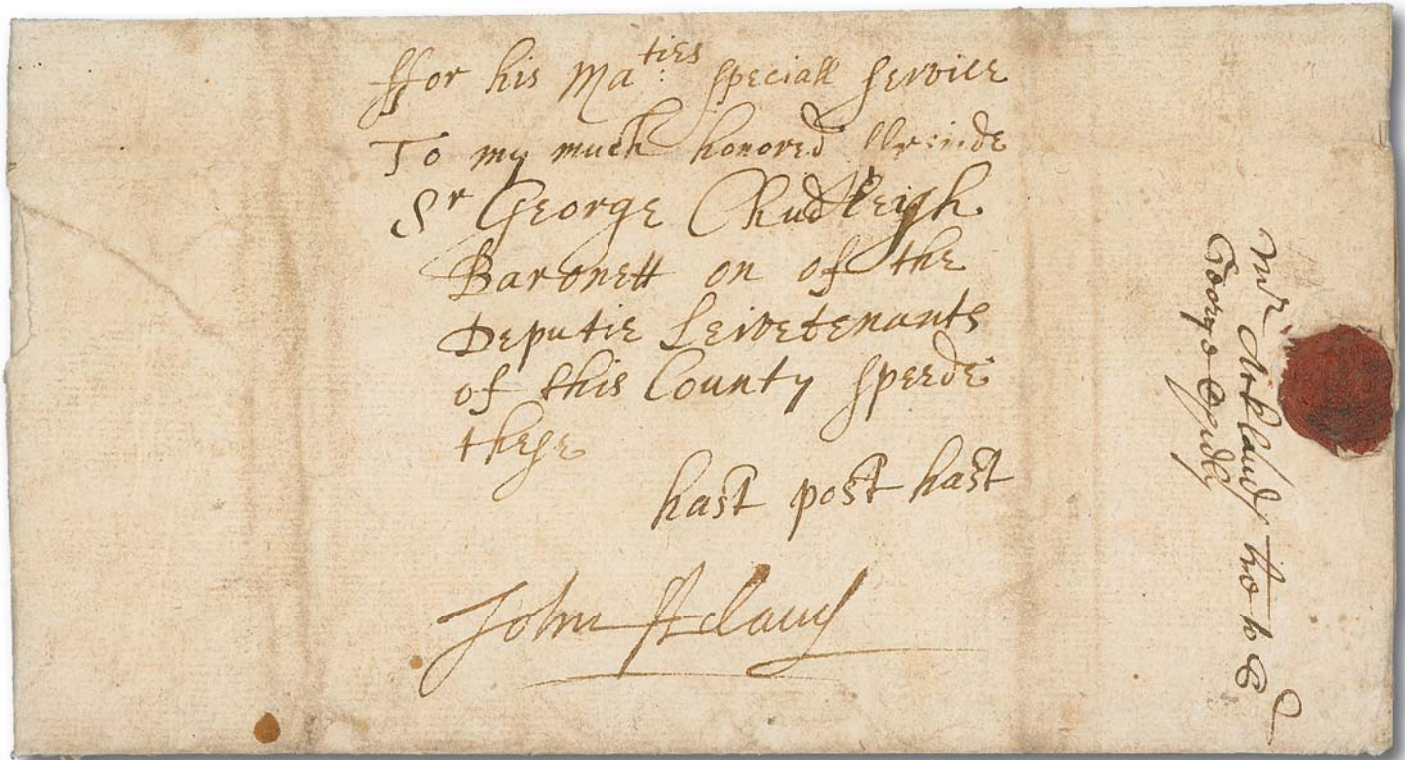

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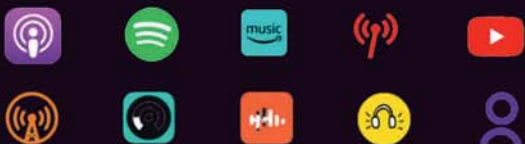
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cover	an envelope

Symbols and Abbreviations

⊗	unmounted mint	d.s.	datestamp
★	unused	h.s.	handstamp
○	used	Ⓐ	air mail
⊞	block of four	Ⓢ	specimen
ⓑ	block larger than four	Ⓒ	cancelled
☒	used on cover, entire letter, etc.	Ⓔ	essay
△	on piece	Ⓟ	proof
var.	variety, varieties	F	forgery
cat.	catalogue, catalogue value	R	reprint
c.d.s.	circular datestamp		

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Merchant Mail

Three of the Earliest Known Overseas Letters from Britain



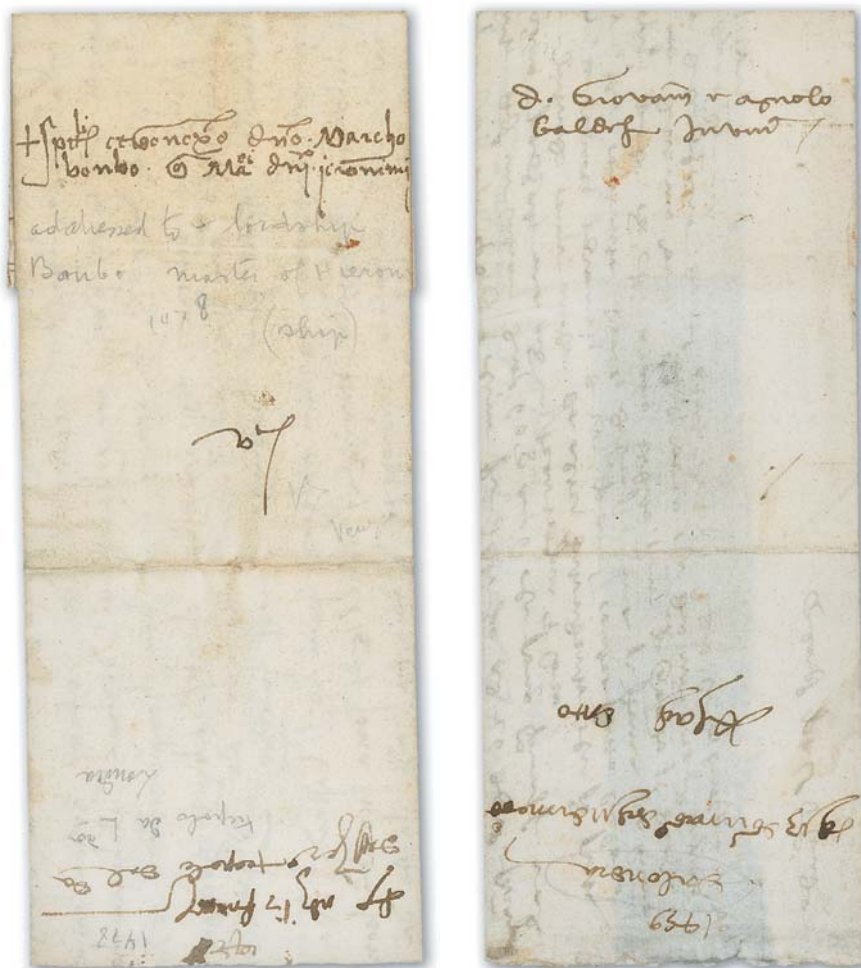
2001

x2001 ☒

1458 (15 April, 17 October and 18 November), three entire letters ex the same correspondence from "Londra" to "Giovanni y Angelo Baldesi in Venezia", all with clear "a/o" merchant guild marking, the earliest noted as having arrived in Venice on 16 Dec. A most important trio and very rare, less than 2% of the Merchant mail correspondence were sent from London.

£2,500-3,000

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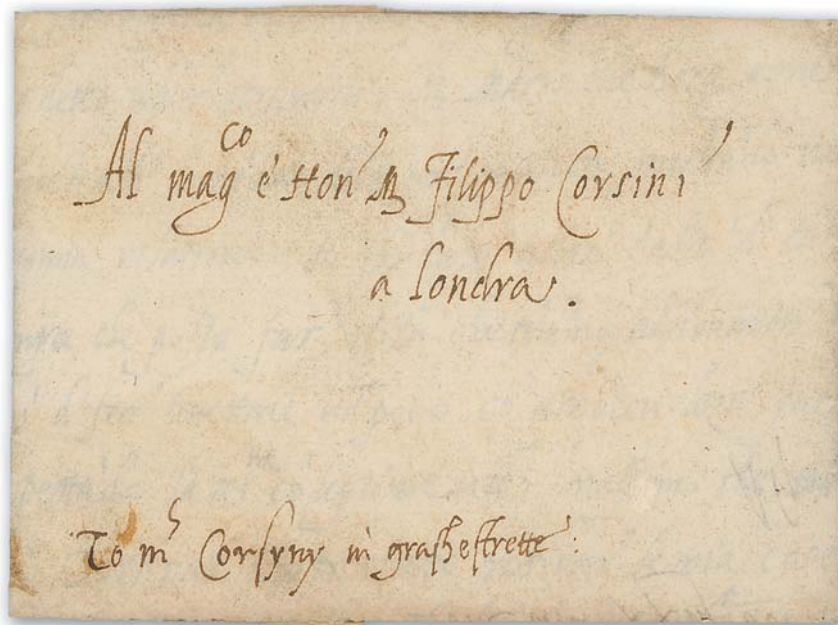


2002

x2002 ☒

1459 entire letter from "Londra" to Venice without merchant guild marking. **An enormously important early letter, being among the earliest known overseas letters from Britain.** Also 1478, a long letter, in Italian, sent from London and addressed to the master of the ship 'Hierommo' with written device at foot, the letter is signed Hieronimo Ticpollo. Fine and rare.

£1,000-1,500



2003

x2003 ☒

1574 (23 October) entire letter from Guido Cavalcanti to Filippo Corsini in London, additionally endorsed in separate hand "*To Mr. Corsini in grasse stette [Gracious Street]*". Interesting contents cover matters of trade, diplomacy and religion with mention of Milord North distrust of saints and Mr. Danvilla having not adequately explained matters to the Protestants, the capture of a schooner from the Straits of Gibraltar, with other names Barbigi, Baldini, Galeotto Cie. Most unusual with English language endorsement, believed by Robson Lowe to have been added by the London City Post. Photo

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PROVENANCE:

Robson Lowe, June 1986, Lot 134

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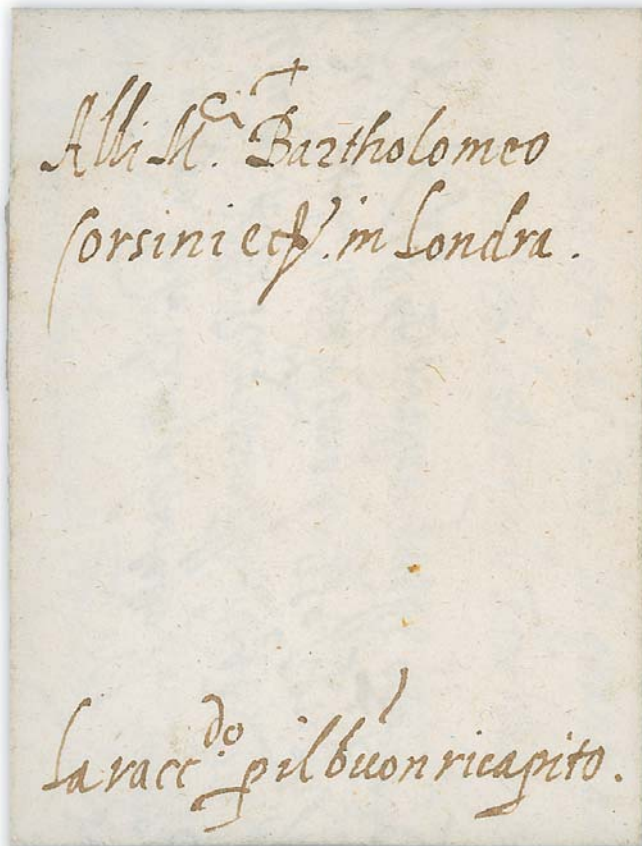
x2004 ☒

1584 (27 December) entire letter from Giovanni Lessenbrand in Augsta to Bortholomew Corsini in London, **endorsed** "*La racc-do. p il buin recapito*", the reverse flap with small 'waybill' number "28" indicating, with the endorsement, that the letter had received some form of registration and considered of special urgency. The letter contains an account of the carriage of letters via Cologne reading "I wrote my last letter on 12 November by way of Cologne, under cover of Clemanz Conduttori, and on 13 November I had yours of 28 October and 2 November ... I am sorry about the slowness of the letters that I write to you under cover of Clemanz Conduttori. They send every week a mass of letters that weighs pounds, not ounces, to London by way of Cologne where they have their agent for correspondence and despatch". 'La Raccomandata' endorsements such as this are very rare. Photo

£600-800

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Early Registration, Smuggled Money



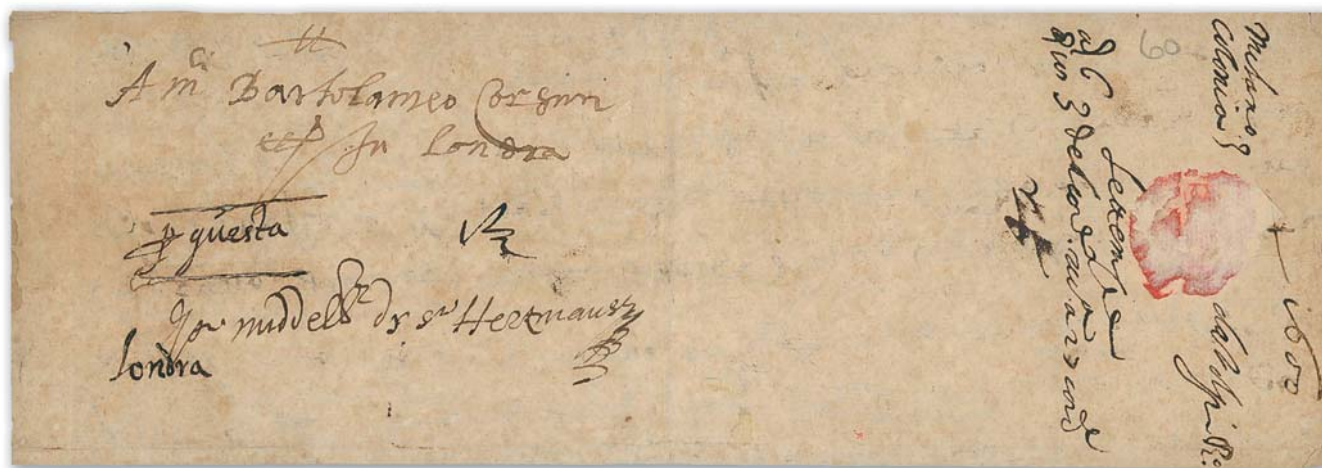
2005



2007

- x2005 ☒ 1586 (19 January) entire letter from Giovanni Lessenbrand to Barthomew Corsini in London, **endorsed** “*La racc-do. p il buon recapito*” with contents referring to the smuggling of money. ‘La Raccomandata’ endorsements such as this are very rare. Photo £400-600
- x2006 ☒ 1588 (4 Aug.) entire letter from Augusta to Bartholomew Corsini in London, **endorsed** “*La racc-do. p il buon recapito*”, contents make reference to “...the Catholic Army at Augsburg would be returning home which could be good for business”. Complete with wax seal and original tie, unusual as such. ‘La Raccomandata’ endorsements such as this are very rare £400-600
- Showing Thurn and Taxis Postal Charge**
- x2007 ☒ 1589 (18 March) entire letter from Bartholomew Corsini in London to Stefano de Patti in Venice, **endorsed** “*Sch 6*” indicating routing via the Thurn and Taxis mail through Middleberg and Cologne to Trento. Fine and **one of two known merchant letters from London bearing Thurn and Taxis postal charge endorsements**. Photo £500-600
- x2008 ☒ 1593 (5 Jan.) entire letter from Bartholomew Corsini to Stefano de Patti in Venice, **endorsed** “*P[er] q[ues]ta da Collog[n]a*” and *Sch 6*” indicating routing via the Thurn and Taxis mail via Cologne to Trento. Fine, showing near complete wax seal, and **one of two known merchant letters from London bearing Thurn and Taxis postal charge endorsements** £500-600

Postal History - *contd.*



2009

x2009 ☒

1600 (6 September) entire letter from Jeronimo Volpi in Milan (under Spanish rule) to Bartholomew Corsini in London; Volpi carried the letter to Frankfurt, where he added a postscript. The letter then travelled to Sr Hartmanns, the Postmaster of Middleburgh, conveyed by Antonio Ramondi who applied the charge "P3", where it then entered the Thurn and Taxis post to Corsini in London. On receipt in Middleburg, Hartman applied the endorsements "Per Questa", "Londra" and "Per Middelbro dy Sr Hartmans", charging "1½ [groats]". Most unusual showing endorsements from various postal services. Photo

£1,500-2,000

PROVENANCE:

Robson Lowe, June 1986, Lot 382

Admiralty

- x2010 ☒ 1652 (24 Jan.) entire letter from Londonderry with address panel reading “*To the right Honorable the Committee of the Navy for the Commonwealth of England, These Humble Persons*”, signed Thomas Newburgh and Robert Parsle; interesting contents include “*The Providence Frigett being sent unto these parts, under the Command of Captain John Peirce, for ... the bringing of soldiers, Clothes, Ammunition and Victuals unto the Army employed upon the states service within the Province of Connaught and also to stay and attend the clearing the seas of this place, Province of Connaught from Robbers was in the Month of August last, reduced to a great straight for want of Money to Victual his ship ... We therefore finding the convenience of this gentleman the bearer of Mr. John Zachary an Officer in the Stores at this place.* A scarce early letter privately carried by John Zachary £300-400
- PROVENANCE:
Wiseman Jay
- x2011 ☒ 1654 (17 Feb.) entire letter from Dr. Walter Walker, “D[octo]r’s Commons” in London with address panel reading “*For the Right Noble, the Commissioners of the Admiralty and Navy at Whitehall*”, without postal markings so likely carried privately, contents include “*I have prepared a draft opinion(?) about the seized Danish ships and humbly submit it to you*”. A rare early document £300-400
- PROVENANCE:
Wiseman Jay



2012

- x2012 ☒ 1699 (23 Oct.) entire letter from Admiral George Rooke in German Street, London, with address panel reading “*To Denny Lyddall Esq at the Navy Office in Crutchett Fryery*”, endorsed “*Pr. penny post*”, the reverse struck with fine “w/TV” Dockwra and receivers handstamp. Fine and rare, opening well for display. Photo £800-1,000
- PROVENANCE:
Wiseman Jay

Postal History - *contd.*

- x2013 ☒ 1705 (28 March) entire letter from Captain Passenger of H.M.S. 'Shoreham' with address panel reading "*To the Rt Hon Edward Southwell Esq Secretary of State of Ireland at his castle in Dublin*", endorsed "*On Her Majesty's Service*", charged "9" in error, and deleted as the addressee was entitled to Free Mail; the reverse struck with Bristol Bishop "M/27". Interesting contents cover changes to command of small warships for Duke of Ormonde. Some repairs to paper loss in relation to opening, most important being the only 'Admiralty' letter with deleted charge mark; Also with 1685 entire letter from Aleppo to Edward Fischer in London with "9" admiralty charge and Bishop mark on reverse
£500-600
- PROVENANCE:
Jay
- x2014 ☒ 1746-98 trio with 1746 (28 December) entire letter from Commodore P. Warren (later Vice Admiral) with address panel reading "*To Captn. Spry of his Majesty's Ship Chester at Portsmouth*", endorsed "*On His Majy Service*" and "*Admty Office*", signed "*Tho: Corbett*"; 1796 (23 Sept.) entire letter from H.M.S. 'Russell' to London, the reverse with straight line "YARMOUTH N" and single ring d.s., contents cover recruitment in Manchester; also 1798 (23 Oct.) entire letter from Colonel Ballingale in Inverkeithing to London, the reverse with double line "INVER/KITHIN" and single ring d.s. Interesting
£250-300



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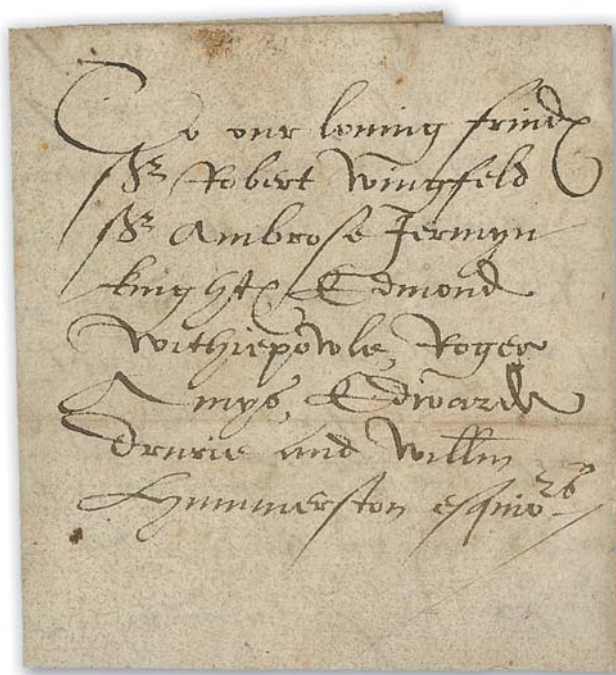


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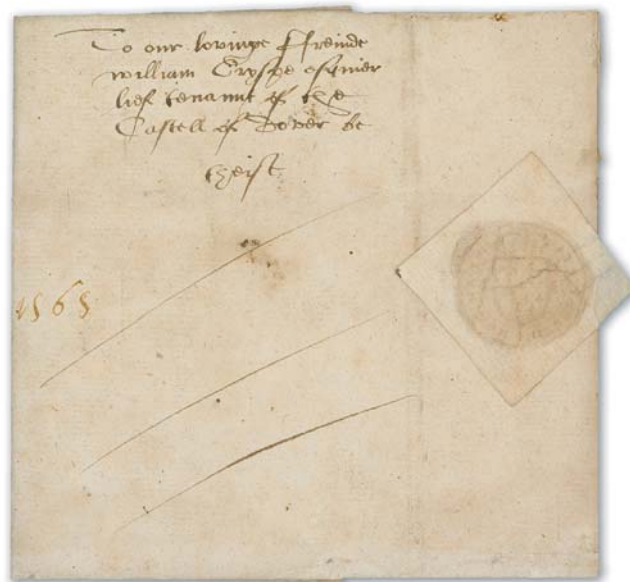
- x2015 ☒ 1801 (6 Nov.) entire printed letter headed "*On His Majesty's Service.*", footed "*Navy Pay-Office.*", addressed to "*Mrs Margaret Luly at the Sign of the Royal Sovereign, Guernsey*, struck with 'apple' type "*FREE*" dated 06.11.01; contents explain that Mr. James Luly had requested that no money be paid to Mrs. Luly, signed "*J. Bedingsfield, Inspector*", Luly could challenge this by returning the letter by free mail. Fine and scarce. Photo
£300-400
- PROVENANCE:
Wiseman Jay Notes: *Mail to the Channel Islands from Government Departments was allowed free*

First Day of Penny Postage

- x2016 ☒ 1840 (10 Jan.) entire letter from the Assistant Adjutant General's office headed "*Royal Marine Office*", addressed to "*Colonel Jones, Commander, Royal Marines, Portsmouth*", the face stuck with crown circle "*PAID/10 JA 10/1840*" in red. Interesting contents refer to a communication from the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury containing the necessary instruction on occasion of the abolition of official Franking - and to command that for the present regulations shall be strictly adhered to with respect to the correspondence of the several Divisions of Marines", namely, postage is to be prepaid and signed by the Office Adjutant, letters are to be addressed directly as opposed to Admiralty Secretaries, and that letters should be kept light and envelopes dispensed with as much as possible. Some splitting along fold though all intact and legible; a most interesting and important **first day of Penny Post** usage. Photo
£400-600



2017



2018

An Important, Early Letter

x2017 ☒

1564 (January) entire letter from an unknown correspondence with complete address panel reading "Our loving friends Sr Robert Wingfield, Sir Ambrose Jermyn Knyght, Edmund Withiepowle, Roger Amys, Edward Dunsie and Willm Lymmerton Esquires" in which was once contained "the Quene's Matie's Commission and certain articles ... which we require you to consider substantially". Signature excised though a very rare and early letter. Photo

£800-1,000

Elizabethan Royal Messengers

x2018 ☒

1565 (3 April) entire letter with wafer seal and address panel reading "To our loving ffriende, William Crysoe Esquire, Lieftenant of the, Castell of Dover be, theist", sending a warrant for summoning juries for searching premises with regards defects in the collection of customs and illegal exports, enquiring "whether any wares merchandise be now carried out of this realme into the porte beyonde the seas, contrarye to the Lawes and statutes of our Sovereign Ladie", signed "Thomas Wotton", Sheriff of Kent. Fine and most unusual. Photo

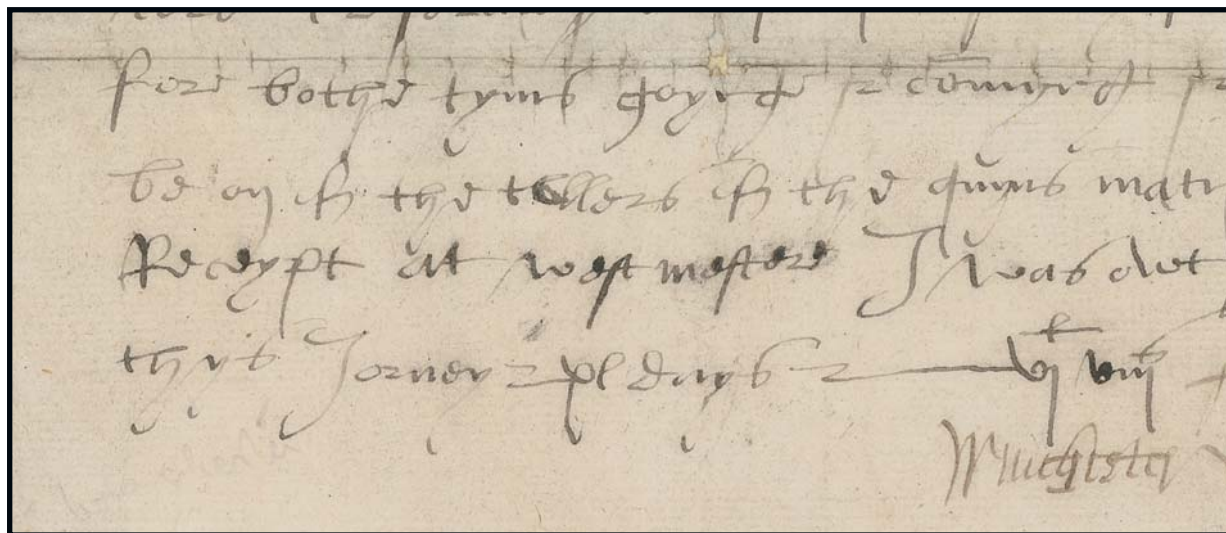
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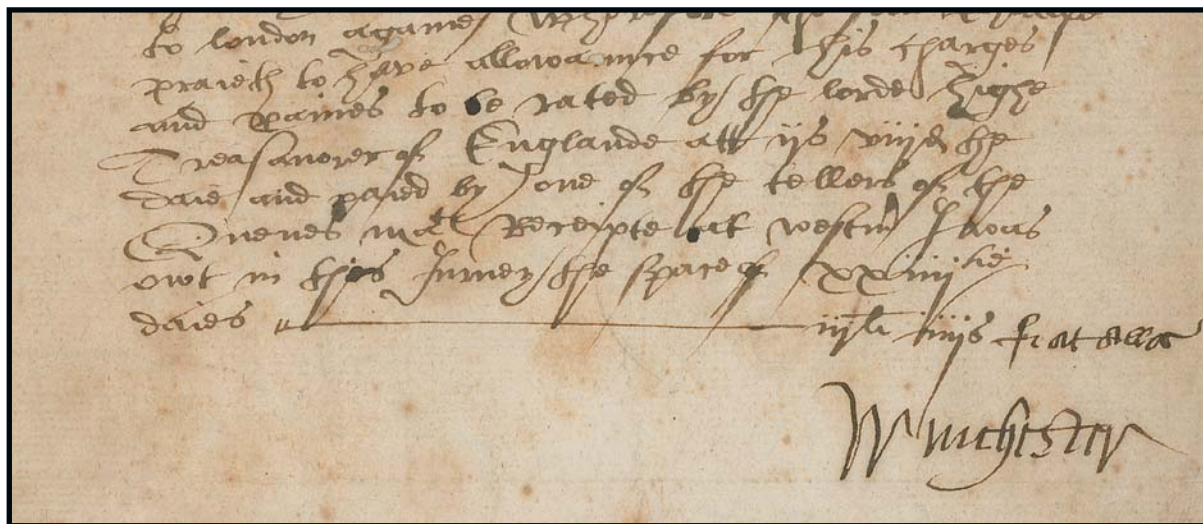


2019 (detail)

x2019 ☒

1565 (November) Exchequer warrant to Richard Mynsterley, a Queen's messenger for riding several times into Wales, signed "Winchester", Lord High Treasurer, laid on card though leaving the address panel on reverse remaining visible. This is thought to be the earliest known document with mention of carriage of mail to Wales. A letter of historical and postal significance. Photo

£1,500-2,000



2020 (detail)

x2020 ☒

1568 order for the payment of Philip Conway "One of the ordenary of the Quenes Maties" for carrying a letter from London into Bedfordshire to "my Lord St. John of Bletsoe", then to Northamptonshire to Sir John Spencer, and from there delivering a letter into Lincolnshire to Lord Sheffield, stating the cost of delivery at 2/8d. a day over a twenty-four day period which will be borne by Sir William Killigrew, Groom of the Prvy Chamber to Queen Elizabeth. Letter paper fine, with non-contemporary inscription on reverse alongside contemporary address panel. A rare and particularly early Royal Messenger order. Photo

£800-1,000

De Quester Endorsement

x2021 ☒

1611 (16 May) entire letter in Italian from merchants “Coland and Burlamache” in London to “A Magstri Barolomeo Corsini in Firenze”, endorsed “*franco sino a mantua*” by the **Matthew De Quester office**, suggesting a link to the Thurn and Taxis Post, Mantua being a terminal; the letter signed “*Geo Calandni [c] Fil Burlmachi*”. Fine and scarce

£300-400

Notes: Mattew De Quester was appointed by the Crown to handle all 'Foreign Posts', being responsible of the transmission of letters originating in London to Calais which would then be forwarded within Europe by the Thurn and Taxis post.

x2022 ☒

1627 (19 September) entire letter in Italian from merchant Filippo Burlamachi to “A Magstris. Lorenzo Segnie Francesco Medici in Firenze”, endorsed in manuscript “*franco p[er] mantua*” by Matthew De Quester’s office. Fine and a scarce endorsement

£300-400

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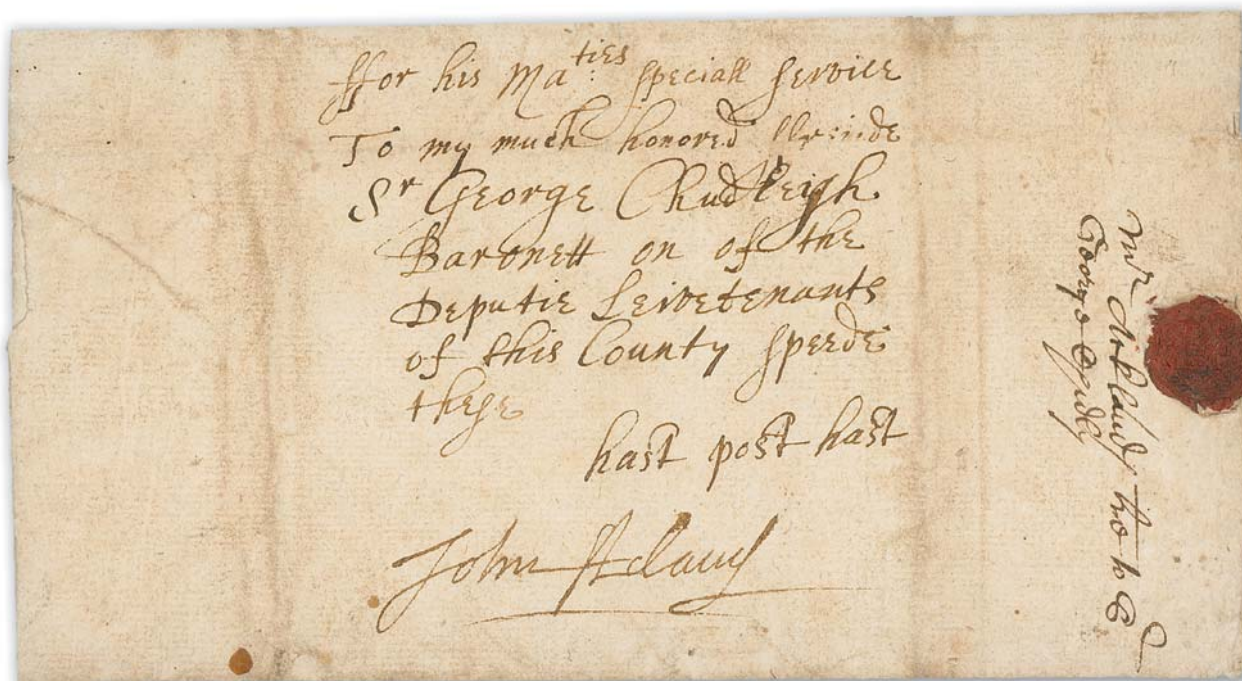
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An Important "Hast Post Hast" Letter, Sent Cross Post



2023

x2023 ☒

1640 (25 May) entire letter penned "9 att night" from John Acland at Colum John - a Royalist garrison house near Exeter - addressed "To my much honored ffriende Sr George Chudleigh, Baronett on of the Deputie Leinutenants of this County speede thys hast post hast", signed "John Acland" and endorsed at top "ffor his Ma^{ties} Speciall Service". Chudleigh then residing at Atherington House, North Devon, thirty-four miles from Exeter. The letter concerns letters from the Lords, with mention of Sir Edward Seymour, requesting that Chudleigh and the "Head Constables of yr & Collonell Bampfilds ... to attend us the shall be present on friday next att the new Inn att Exeter to give us an account how much Conduct and Coate money is allreadie received and in what forwardness the rest is to bee rayseed". Signed "John Acland". Fine, folding out well for display with intact wax seal of the Acland crest; a dramatic endorsement, and rare, this having been sent Cross Post, as evidenced by the lack of endorsements through London. Photo

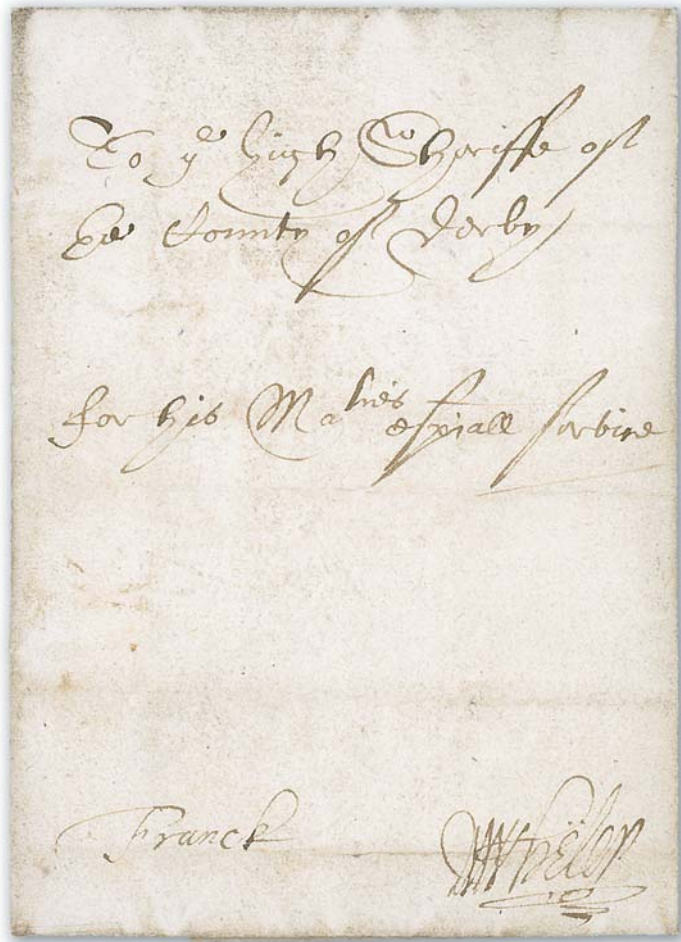
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Notes: Sir John Acland, 1st Baronet (1591-1647) was a supporter of the Royalist cause and served as a Commander during the Civil War, setting up a garrison at Colum John. Fairfax used Colum John as his headquarters in 1645-46 in his attack on Exeter. Sir George Chudleigh, 1st Baronet (1578-1658) supported both Parliamentarians and Royalists, ultimately garrisoning Ashton on behalf of the Royalists.

- x2024 ☒ 1656 (18 July) entire letter from Laus Deo in Dover, travelling from London to a merchant in Antwerp, with manuscript endorsement “*p post*” and charged “*Is*” indicating a higher number of pages; offered with translation from Dutch into English. Scarce having been sent just prior to the Restoration Post Office, and containing two pages £400-500
- 2025 1657 “An Act for the Settling of the Postage of England Scotland and Ireland at the Parliament at Westminster the 17th Day of September, Anno Domini 1656”, printed in London by Henry Hills and John Field. Some pages detached though complete and generally fine. A rare and important document which established the Post Office for the carriage of mails £800-1,000
- Notes: This is the first act of parliament relating to the erecting and settling of one General Post Office for the speedy conveying, carrying and re-carrying of letters by post to and from all places within England, Scotland and Ireland and into several parts beyond the seas. Be it enacted by His Highness the Lord Protector and the Parliament, that from henceforth there be one General Office, to be called, and known by the name of the Post-Office of England: and one officer under the name and stile of Postmaster General of England, and Comptroller of the Post-Office. Also setting out the rates of postage*
- x2026 ☒ 1658 (4 Sept.) entire letter from Josephy Smythe, a prisoner in Poultry Comptor, the Sheriff's prison near Grocers Hall Court in London, addressed “*To Mr. Henry Brandriff Esq., care present at his house in Wallbrooke*” in which he mentions the Magna Carta. Smythe signs as a “*Distressed Petitioner*”. Letters from prisoners are unusual and this is a nice example of this Commonwealth post £150-200
- Pengelly Post**
- x2027 ☒ 1660 (11 April) entire letter from Simon Snowe in Exeter with address panel reading “*For mr Thomas Pengelly merchant at ye 3 white Lyons over against the Church in Canninge Streete these*”, **rated with manuscript endorsement “3d.”**, for a letter travelling 80 miles, the reverse with three vertical strokes possibly to assist a non-numerical postboy. The reverse of the letter shows some roughly drawn maps that seem to be unrelated to the letter. Also 1655 (August) entire letter from Smirna (Turkey) to Thomas Pengelley in London. Fine and a scarce duo £150-200
- x2028 ☒ 1660 (12 October) entire letter from John Mundy, High Sheriff of Derbyshire at Markeaton, with address panel reading “*... Col. Edward King, a Commissioner for Disbanding the Army at York*”; contents include reference to the availability of £3,000 “*for ye Pole money of this County*” for distribution to pay off the Cromwellian Army, adding “*I wish it may answer your expectation, and sifficient to disband our Souldiers. I feare there is a great abuse and some I feare pays not above 12d. for £10. The postscript interestingly reads* “The certainty of this messenger's delivery hereof & ye uncertainty of your return from Yorke into Lincolnshire, and ye fear of miscarriage of uncertaine messengers, hath occasioned some delay of this answer but I hope none of the Public Service, nor this country's deliverance from their burden”. A rare and appealing letter sent early within the Restoration period by Special Messenger £600-800

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Sent Free, by Special Messenger



2029

x2029 ☒

1600 (8 Nov.) entire letter from Guildhall, London with address panel reading "To ye High Sheriffe of the County of Derby", endorsed "For His Matie's Especiall Service" and "Franck" (free frank) and signed "Wheler"; the letter signed "Wheler", "Thomas Rick" and "Thomas Player". This letter falls in the unusual period of uncertainty between 1660-61 in which free franking privileges were sometimes overlooked; in this case it appears that they were upheld as no charge is given. Rare. Photo

£1,500-2,000

PROVENANCE:
Michael Jackson

Restoration Suspension of Free Franking Privilege



2030

x2030 ☒

1661 (2 April) entire letter from the "Com[missione]rs for discharging the Navy" with address panel reading "For John Munday Esq. Late High Sherriffe for the County of Derby", **endorsed "For his Maj^{ty} Speciall Service" by the sender, and "Pd" by the post office.** Signed "Albermarle" (Duke of Albermarle), "Rob. Scawen" and "William Prynn". This letter unusually falls in the period between 1660 and 1661, after the Restoration, in which the franking privilege was suspended, hence the charge marking. A hugely important piece. Photo

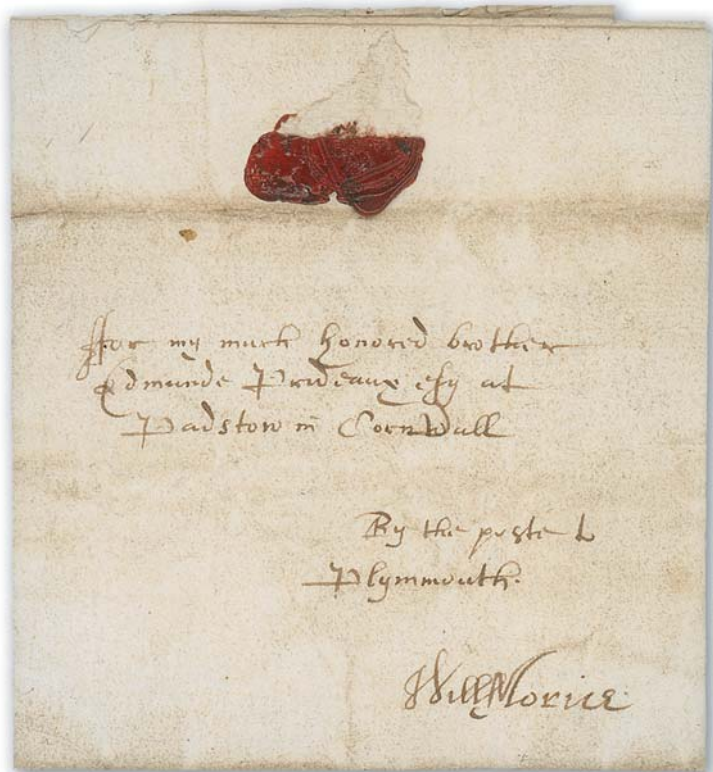
£1,500-2,000

Notes: During the period between 1600 and 1661, there was a great deal of uncertainty as to when and how free franking was to be acknowledged or denied.

PROVENANCE:
Michael Jackson

Postal History - *contd.*

Secretary of State Free Frank



2031

x2031 ☒

1661 (25 April) entire letter from William Morice, Secretary of State, with address panel "*ffor my much honoured Brother, Edmond Prideaux Esq. at, Padstow in Cornwall, by the poste to Plymouth*", signed "*Will Morice*" to indicate his free franking privilege; contents include mention of a £300 p.a. royal pension for his son. Dated less than a week following the introduction of the Bishop Mark and during the period of uncertainty over free frank privilege. Most interesting and rare. Photo

£1,000-1,500

PROVENANCE:
Michael Jackson

First Year Bishop Mark

x2032 ☒

1661 (20 Nov.) entire letter from George Harper of Yarmouth with address panel to Mr Thomas Pengelly in Bishops Gate Street, London, the face with "3" Pengelly manuscript charge (80-140 miles), the reverse with superb "NO/22" Bishop marking alongside manuscript "*, opening well for display, the letter clearly dated inside*" "Yarmouth, November 20 1661"; very small paper tear well clear of address panel. R.P.S. Certificate (2015). A hugely important early marking

£1,500-2,000

- x2033 ☒ 1662 (17 April) entire letter from London to “Hampstall-Ridware neare Lichfeild”, endorsed “*pt. pd 3d.*” on face, though with no outgoing Bishop Mark. Rare, being one of few outgoing Post Office carried letters after April 1661 without Bishop Mark £150-200
- PROVENANCE:
Barrie Jay
- x2034 ☒ 1662 (19 April) entire letter from Yarmouth to Thomas Pengelly in Norwich, the reverse with Pengelly ‘manuscript Bishop Mark’ “*19/4*”. Fine and most unusual £400-500
- PROVENANCE:
Spink, 11 October, 2012
- Acquisition of Bombay and East India Club**
- x2035 ☒ 1665 (18 April) entire letter from George Monck, Duke of Albemarle, from “*Cock-pitt*” with address panel reading “*For my worthy friends the Principall Officers & Com[missioners] of his Majesty's Navy*”, the reverse with filing endorsement reading “*For ye East India Company disbursements for 4 ... left by ye Earle of Marlborough to be allowed*”; contents relate to the authorising of £400 to the East India Co. to re-imburse its expenses smoothing the passage across the land bridge to India of a Royal Group, led by the Earl of Marlborough who was authorised to take possession of Bombay on behalf of Charles II. Fine and a most important early letter £400-600
- PROVENANCE:
Wiseman Jay
- Notes: Despite Charles II's marriage to the Portuguese, Catherine of Braganza, which was subject to a dowry including Tangier and Bombay. The local Portuguese would not release Bombay to the privately owned East India Company, meaning that it was necessary for the Company to be acquired for the Crown.*
- Great Plague Letter**
- x2036 ☒ 1665 (7 July) entire letter from George Chudleigh and Baldwin Ackland in Exon, with address panel reading “*To the most Honored Sr. Thomas Clifford Knight, those present in London or Aboard the Swiftsure in the Kings Ma'ties royall Navy*”, endorsed here “*With speede*” and “*post pd to London*”. Letter concerns the ongoing Naval war with the Dutch, wishing the recipient “*that you may bee victorious & once more beate the Dutch soundly as soone as may bee*”. No postal markings are to be found; one might expect a Bishop Mark, though owing to the plague there were huge postal staff shortages. Fine and scarce £300-400

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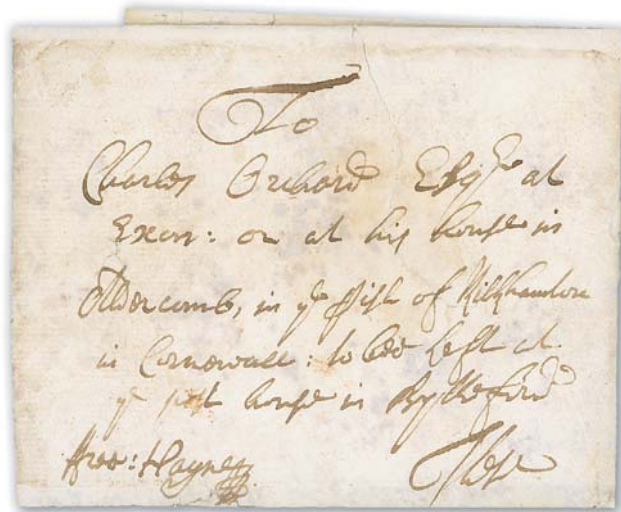
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2037

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| 2037 ☒ | 1673 (15 Aug.), Privy Council entire letter addressed <i>To Our very good Lord the Lord Bishop of Winchester</i> , signed by several members of the Council (George Morley, Bishop of Worcester; William Craven, soldier and one of the wealthiest Peers in England; Anthony Ashley Cooper, 1st. Earl of Shaftsbury; Arthur Annesley, 1st. Earl of Anglesey; Henry Bennet, 1st. Earl of Arlington; Henry Coventry, Secretary of State for the Northern Department; Sir Edward Seymour, Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and John Nicholas, Deputy Lieutenant of Dorset. With interesting contents on the subject of "Being informed of several places & Parishes within his Kingdome that have either made no collections upon the brief for redemption of his ma;ts subjects in captivity"; fine. A very rare Privy Council letter with the address panel in clean condition. Photo | £800-1,000 |
| x2038 | 1681 " <i>The Impartial Protestant Mercury</i> " for Tuesday October 11 to Friday October 14, 1681 [Number 50.] page containing " <i>An Advertisement from the Penny-Post</i> " announcing that "... the Undertakers having directed the Registering of all Post-Letter attested under the hand of the conveyor...". A very early reference to the registering of mail | £200-300 |
| x2039 ☒ | 1686 (1 September) entire letter from Exeter to Spain via London endorsed " <i>post pd to Byon 18d</i> " and charged "2" on arrival. While the letter transmitted though London, the Bishop mark was not applied to outgoing mail, predating the earliest Falmouth Packet service. Fine and scarce | £300-400 |
| x2040 ☒ | 1687 (28 Sept.) entire letter from Hartford to City of London, the reverse with "B/TH" Bishopgate Office Dockwra alongside "B/AF[TERNOON]/5" circular time marking. Fine and scarce | £300-400 |
| x2041 ☒ | 1689 (22 March) entire letter from the House of Commons to Sir Robert Southwell " <i>at ye Two Talbots the further end of German Street in St. James's</i> ", the reverse with "W/FRI" Westminster Office and circular "W/AF/8" time marking. Fine and scarce, opening well for display | £300-400 |
| x2042 ☒ | 1694 entire, addressed to " <i>The Honble Henry Pagett Esq., at West Drayton, near Uxbridge</i> ", on reverse a superb uncracked red wax seal and an exceptional second type "PENNY/POST/PAYD/W/MON" Dockwra handstamp. Rare in this quality | £400-600 |

PROVENANCE:
Spink, January 2021



2043 (obverse)



2043 (reverse)

x2043 ☒

1704 (11 April) entire letter from Hugh Payne in Minehead with address panel reading "To Charles Orchard Esq. at Exon; or at his house in Aldercomb ni the Parish of Kilkhampton in Cornwall", endorsed on face "Free: H Payne", sent via Taunton with **manuscript** "Taunton" town marking on reverse, in lieu of the first handstruck marking for this town. Most interesting and unusual, being an example of Cross Post set Free, likely the earliest known example. Photo

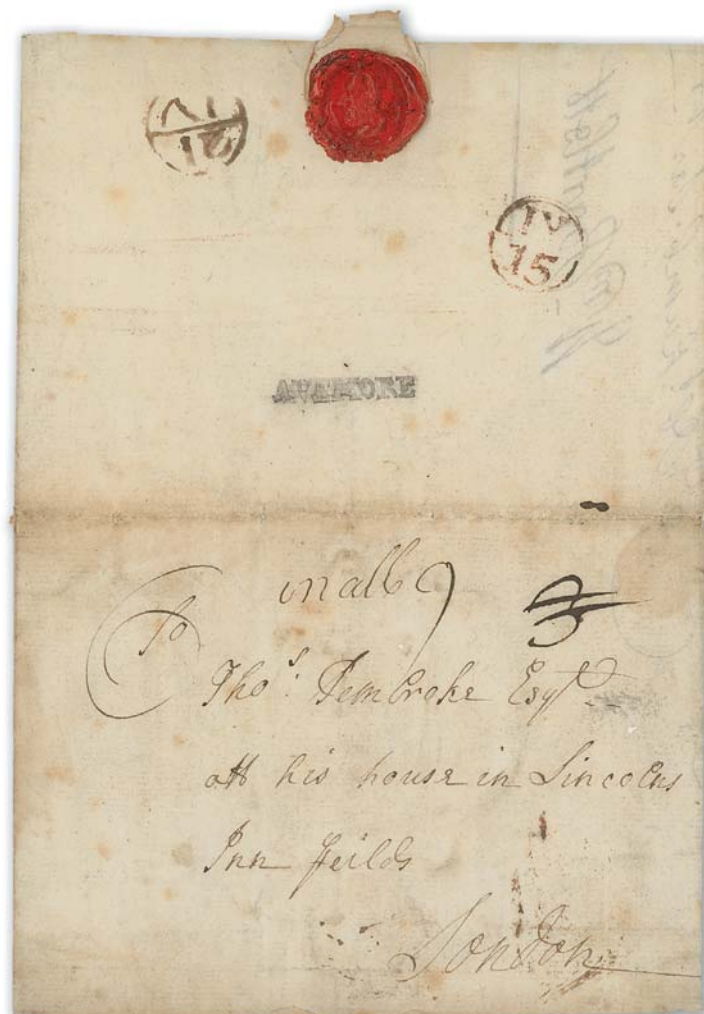
£400-600

x2044 ☒

c.1708 (13 Sept.) entire from Winslow to London, carried by private messenger to Brickhill P.O., then to London; the entire struck with first type "WINSLOW" straight line handstamp, the reverse with "SE/13" Bishop Mark. Initially rated "2", though this was deleted owing to it having been addressed to Lord Gower. Fine and scarce

£300-400

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2045

2045 ☒

1740 (12 July) entire letter from Coulmakyle to London, endorsed "*In all 9*", rated "*3*", the reverse with first type serified "*AVEMORE*" with Edinburgh "*12/IV*" and London "*IV/15*" Bishop marks, also filing endorsement in internal folds reading "*Bundle 10*". A rare early town marking, used within the first year. Photo

£800-1,000

x2046 ☒

1740 ship letter wrapper from England to John Reynell in Philadelphia, carried privately "*p Capr Farmer*", forward from New York with manuscript rate notation in the top right corner, "*NY Sh: 3dwt: 16grs*"; the receipt docketing on the flap reads, "*From Daniel Flexney Rec'd 30th April 1740 Via N. York*". Very fresh and an exceptionally early letter to America

£150-200



2047

2047 ☒

1742 (21 Aug.), entire letter (no right flap) to London, on reverse very fine “25/AU” Bishop mark and “NAMPT/WICH” (Willcocks & Jay 524, only previously recorded between 1747-53, rarity Z); filing folds and some cover faults as would be expected. A new discovery. Photo

£200-300

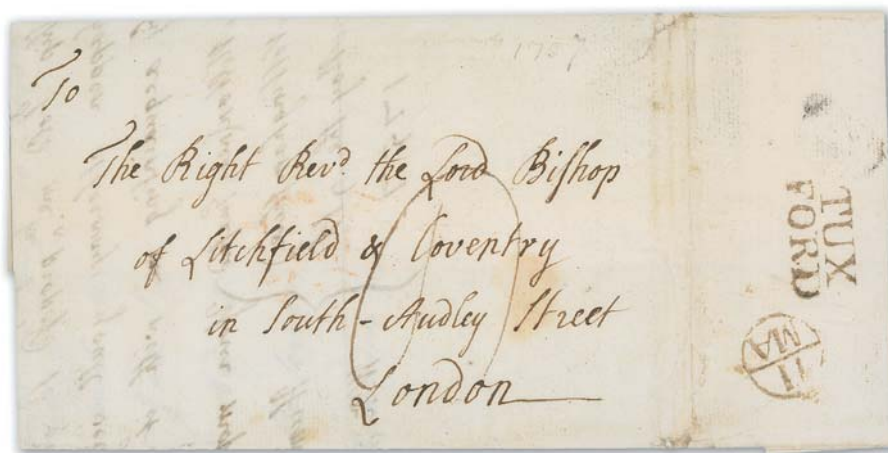


2048

x2048 ☒

1750 (April) entire letter from Chester to “Henry Montagu Esq. Secretary to the Governr. of Queen Ann’s Bounty In Lincoln’s Inn; the reverse struck with “CHES/TER” and “23/MR” Bishop Mark. A fine strike of this scarce town marking. Photo

£300-400



2049

x2049 ☒

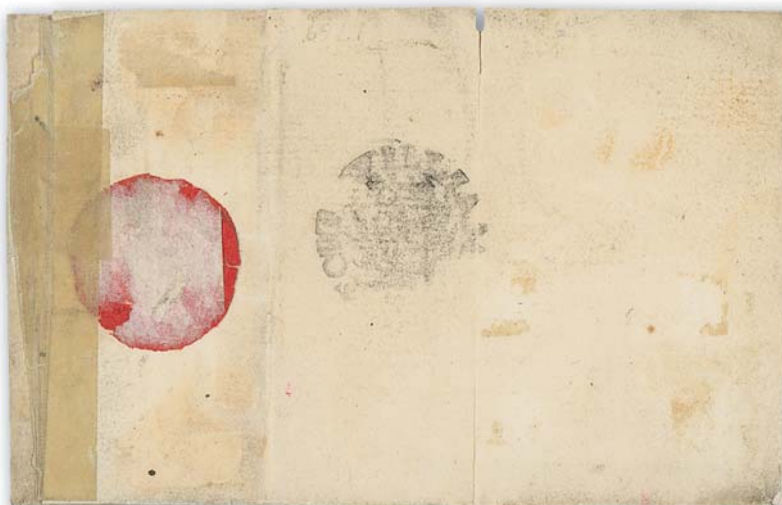
1757 (9 May) entire letter from Milton, Near Tuxford, Nottinghamshire, to Lord Bishop Litchfield & Coventry in London, the reverse with finely struck “11/MA” Bishop Mark and “TUX/FORD”, the latter very fine and unrecorded, opening well for display. Photo

£400-600

Postal History - *contd.*

- x2050 ☒ 1766 (8 April) entire letter from Lady Albinia Midleton at Peper Harow, Surrey, to Reverend Dr. Chinery, Dean of Corke at Midleton, Ireland, the face endorsed "*Free*", signed "*T. Townsend*", and struck "FREE", the reverse with "wc" receiving handstamp and "10/AP" Bishop mark. Scarce £200-300
- 2051 ☒ 1767-1838, a selection of Dover Ship Letters (7) including 1767 entire from Jamaica to London bearing "DOVER/SHIP LRE" (S.1) in black and "15/DE" Bishop mark on reverse, complete with two page enclosure; 1775 entire letter from Charlestown, U.S.A. to London bearing (S.1) and "18/NO" on reverse; 1803 entire letter from Bombay to London bearing "Ship Letter/DOVER" (S.6) in black; 1813 entire letter from Coruna to London bearing "SHIP-LETTER/DOVER" (S.8); 1833 entire letter from New York to London "*Pr Sam Robertson*" bearing "SHIP LETTER/DONE" (S.10) in black; 1836 entire letter from Canton to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/DOVER" (S.10) in red and, on the reverse, "DOVER/INDIA LETTER" in black; and 1838 entire letter from Rio de Janeiro to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/DOVER" (S.11) in black. Generally fine and a good group £400-500

Fort William 'Thistle'



2052

- 2052 ☒ 1769 (22 August.) entire with contents excised from Ballachulish, Lochaber, Highland to Thomas Stewart, Secretary to the Bank of Scotland, Edinburgh, with rate mark "4" on face and, on the reverse, a very clear strike of the famous "**FORT WILLIAM/[THISTLE]**" **handstamp in black**. Some splits along folds and reinforcements in places, nevertheless a remarkable rarity, there being only two other covers recorded bearing this evocative Scottish handstamp, this being among the clearest. Photo £3,000-4,000
- x2053 ☒ 1773 (24 Jan.) entire letter from the Philadelphia, USA to Poole, rated "1/1", deleted and "INP" with straight line "SHIP" handstamp, the reverse with "AP/17" of London Foreign Branch and "25/AP" G.P.O. Bishop marks. Scarce bearing both incoming and London Bishop marks £300-400

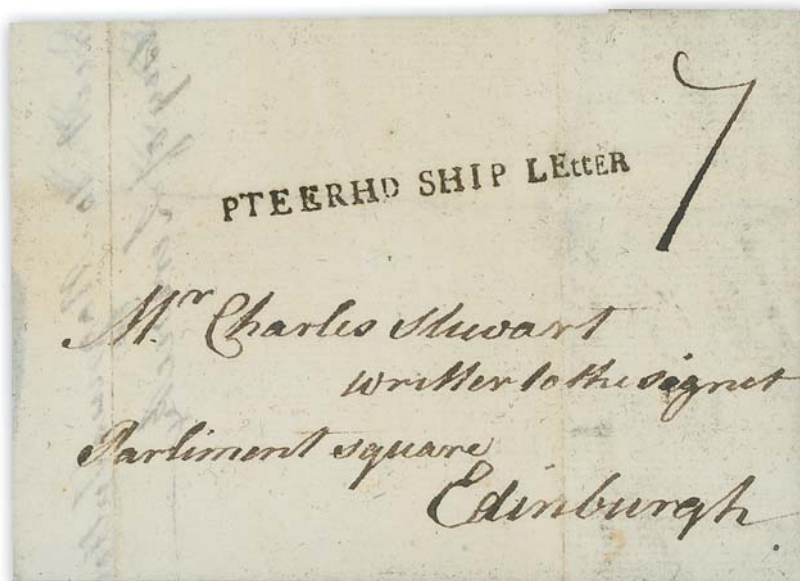


2054

- x2054 ☒ c.1775 entire letter to Burlington Gardens, London, the face endorsed "*Penny Post, Saturday Even.*", the reverse with "T/MO" Temple Office Dockwra showing reversed "N" in "PENNY" associated with Mondays. Fine and scarce, opening well for display. Photo £300-400
- x2055 ☒ 1777-1838, a selection of Penny Post markings on cover (10) including 1777 (2 Dec.) entire letter from Edinburgh to Leith with **Williamson's Penny Post** dated "E. PENNY POST NOT PAID" handstamp, 1796 (5 July) entire letter from Richmond to Stortford with wonderfully struck "Richmond/Unpaid/Penny Post"; also "Halifax/P.y Post", "ROUGHAM/Penny Post", "Lynn/Penny Post" (2), "TAUNTON/4 FE 1836/PY POST", "BAWTRY/Penny Post", "Bedale/P.y Post", "Coleford/Py Post". Fine and a good group £800-1,000
- x2056 ☒ 1706-1815 a small group of early markings including 1706 (28 April) from Mary Traquair to Mr. Andra Riddell in Bath, endorsed "*pd 5d.*", the reverse with Edinburgh and London Bishop Marks, 1779 (Aug.) entire from Doncaster to Switzerland, the face struck with "DON/CASTER" and red London "POST/PAID", the reverse with "3/AV" Bishop Mark; 1793 entire letter to London, the face with superb "R.ISLE OF/WIGHT"; 1799 entire letter from Coventry to Birmingham, the face manuscript "*Missent*" prefacing horseshoe "BIRMINGHAM"; 1805 entire letter from Warwick to Highworth showing three line "MISSENT/TO/BIRMINGHAM" and "WARWICK/107" mileage marking; and 1815 entire letter from London to Dublin struck with "TANDERAGEE/65" mileage mark. Also 1857 and 1863 "*Returned Paid Letter*" envelopes, the latter "*On Her Majesty's Service*". A fine and appealing group £350-400
- 2057 ☒ 1780-1843, a selection of Deal Ship Letters (7) with 1780 entire (reinforced) from Antigua to London "*P. C. McDonough*" bearing "DEAL/SHIP-LRE" (S.3) on face and "20/SE" Bishop mark on reverse; 1809 entire letter from Nassau "*Per Patent*" to London bearing "Ship Letter/DEAL" (S.7); 1832 entire from Cape of Good Hope to Edinburgh bearing "POST OFFICE/GENERAL/CAPE/TOWN" crowned circle and "INDIA LETTER/DEAL" (In.1) in black; 1839 entire to Bath "*Pr Mona*" bearing "INDIA LETTER/DEAL" (In.1) in black; 1840 part entire to Bristol bearing "DEAL/SHIP LETTER" (S.8) with similar 1841 and 1843 entires to London bearing S.8, all in black. Generally fine and a good group £300-400
- 2058 ☒ 1781, entire to Devon, on reverse, and opening well for display, fine "SHERBORNE*/Poft/Office" in circle (Willcocks & Jay 505, rarity H); vertical filing fold, fine and a rare Provincial Post marking £200-250

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- 2059 ☒ 1789 (14 Dec.), entire from Doncaster to London, endorsed *Hay* at lower left (Lord William Hay, 1772-1819), very fine "FREE/P" over laurel leaves, in circle (S.G. 1A/4, second recorded day of use) on the front, straight line Doncaster and datestamp (16.12) on the reverse; rare and exceptional £250-300
- 2060 ☒ 1792-1840, selection of five entires or entire letters, comprising 1789 with faint "NO27" of Wivelscombe, 1795 and 1797 with different Stockport Scrolls, 1838 with "Wilton", 1840 to Sussex with fine red framed "PAID/AT/DUNGANNON"; An attractive group £300-400



2061

- 2061 ☒ 1792 (17 March) entire letter from Peterhead to Charles Stewart, Writer to the Signet, Parliament Square, Edinburgh, rated "7" and with remarkable mixed font straight line "PTEERHD SHIP LETTER", the reverse with Edinburgh "MR/20" Bishop mark in red. A huge Ship Letter rarity, this being the only recorded example by Robertson. Photo £2,500-3,000
- PROVENANCE:
Bruce Auckland
- x2062 ☒ 1794-1848 a selection (14) of early letters arranged on custom made, written up pages, including 1794 from Irvine to Edinburgh showing IRVINE straightline and Edinburgh (MY/28) 'Bishop' mark, 1801 from Edinburgh to Kirkaldy showing Edinburgh (MR/21) 'Bishop' mark, 1831 from London to Liskeard showing L.S. Maltese Cross in blue. Mixed condition, an attractive lot for the student of area £100-150
- x2063 1794 (28 March) George III act [255] titled "*An Act for regulating the Portage and Conveyance of Letters by the Carriage called The Penny Post. Pages complete though cover separated. An important document*" £80-100

- x2064 ☒ 1794 (16 June) entire letter - an order for Madeira wine for Spanish Town Jamaica, the face struck with "[CROWN]P.POST/PAID", the reverse with "4 o'CLOCK/16 JU 94/even". A very early example from the first month of use £300-400
- 2065 ☒ 1794 (1 Aug.), entire letter from Doctors Common to Lincolns Inn, on the front fair "(Crown)/P.POST/PAID" in circle experimental handstamp, on reverse "4 o'Clock/AU 1/94 AFN"; internal soiling but the exterior clean and uncreased. Rare £300-400
- 2066 ☒ 1794 (11 Oct.), entire letter to Rochdale, endorsed *Double only/Post Pd. 1/* and with superb red double ring "OC/11/94/PAID" London experimental datestamp; seal missing but clean and uncreased. Outstanding £250-300
- x2067 ☒ 1795 (4 May) entire letter to Richmond Green, Surrey, endorsed "*Un Paid*", charged "9", and struck with fine "WATLING/ST.3" receiving mark, the reverse with "2 o'Clock/MA 4. 95 AFN". Contents make reference to moneys owed to slaves on Bance Island, Sierra Leone. Fine and scarce £300-400
- x2068 1797 (8 May) entire letter from Glasgow with address panel reading "*Hector Currie, Soldier Dumbarton Fus. Regt, Guernsey*", correctly posted unpaid, though unusually charged "1", the soldiers and seamen's rate on arrival, likely because the letter was addressed to an Officer and not a soldier, thus contravening soldiers' and seamen's privileges. Fine and scarce £150-200



2069

- 2069 ☒ 1798 (9 Feb.) entire from unknown location to Edinburgh, rated at "6" (4d. ship and 2d. Captain) the face with manuscript "*Ship Letter*" alongside "BERVIE", the reverse with Edinburgh "JU/14". Rare, this being the only recorded use of the handstamp for 1798. Photo £1,000-1,500

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2070



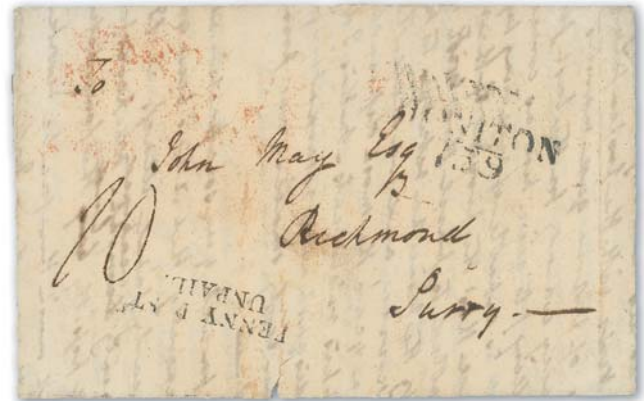
2071

- 2070 ☒ 1798 (15 April), entire letter (no side flaps) from Portugal to Edinburgh, with extremely fine "P" in circle Foreign Office handstamp, rate markings; clean vertical filing fold clear of the marking. Barrie Jay states "Only a very few copies have been recorded". Photo £600-800
- 2071 ☒ 1800 (14 Aug.) entire letter from Quebec per the 'Albion' to Greenock, rated "11" (4d. ship, 2d. captain and 5d. inland); the reverse struck with superb "CAMBLETON/SHIP:LRE" and "CAMBLE/TOWN.". Very fine and rare, Robertson notes this as the first Scottish type of named ship-letter. Photo £800-1,000
- 2072 ☒ 1804-1949, a selection of South West Ship Letters (15) including 1838 from New York to London bearing "BRISTOL/SHIP-LETTER" (S.7) in black; 1836 from Seville to London with "FALMOUTH/SHIP LETTER" (S.6) in red, and same from "Loneragan Bros"; 1849 entire from Rio de Janeiro to London bearing "FALMOUTH/SHIP LETTER" (S.6) in blue; 1840 entire to Bristol "*Orynthia*", the reverse with "KINGSBRIDGE/SHIP LETTER" (S.1) in red; 1847 from Rio de Janeiro to London "*P Frolic*", bearing "SHIP LETTER/KINGSBRIDGE" (S.2) in black; 1845 entire letter from Mauritius to London "*P Volunteer*" bearing "PENZANCE/SHIP LETTER" (S.4) in black; 1804 entire from H.M.S. Prince Royal to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/PLYMOUTH" double ring crown (S.5) in black, first year of use; 1833 from Bordeaux to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/PLYMOUTH" (S.6) in black; 1820 entire letter from Cape Town to London bearing "PORTSMOUTH/SHIP LETTER" (S.13) in red; 1830 entire from Philadelphia to New York, redirected to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/PORTSMOUTH" (S.15) in red; 1840 entire from New York to London "*P Montreal*" bearing "PORTSMOUTH/SHIP LETTER" (S.13) in black; 1878 entire from London to Burdeos with "SOUTHAMPTON/SHIP LETTER" (S.15); 1859 entire to Italy with "SOUTHAMPTON/PACKET-LETTER" (P.2); and 1823 entire from Rio de Janeiro to London bearing "WEYMOUTH/SHIP LETTER" (S.4) in black. Generally fine and a good group £600-800
- 2073 A selection of cancellations housed in four albums contained in a carton, including 1804 front endorsed *A Soldiers Letter* with single ring "SHIP-LETTER/LONDON" c.d.s., 1810 front with framed (Crown)/"NOT ACCORDING/TO THE ACT", 1823 front with red (Crown)"To Be/Delivered/Free", 1873-80 8d. on front to Aden, 1901 Royal tour p.p.c. franked 1d. with Ascension cancellation, 1902-10 2/6d. with Buckingham Palace c.d.s., used Abroad, cancellations with Military, Censored, Paquebot, Travelling Post Offices, Air Mails, Telegraphs with 1876-81 £1, Channel Islands, etc., mixed condition but a most interesting lot fort the specialist £500-600

- 2074 1806-49, a selection of Acts and Notices including 1806 (16 July) King George III “*Act to amend Three Acts, made in the Thirty-fifth, Forty-fifth, and Forty-second Years of His present Majesty, relating to the Conveyance of Letters and Packets by the Post*”; 1823 (18 July) King George IV “*Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for punishing Mutiny and Desertion of Officers and Soldiers in the Service of the East India Company; and to authorize Soldiers and Sailors in the East Indies to send and receive Letters at a reduced Rate of Postage*”; also four “*Ship Letters Inward*” notices titled “*By Command of the Postmaster General. Notice to the Public, and Instructions to all Postmasters, Sub-Postmasters, and Letter Receivers. General Post Officer*” for 1849, January, March, April and May; each giving current rates, and wind speeds and direction at Southampton, Liverpool and Dover. The latter notices with some peripheral faults otherwise fine and an interesting group £200-300



2075



2077

- x2075 ☒ 1808 (10 April) entire letter from Havant to “Messrs Cox & Son” in London, sent containing half bank notes for £200, noting “*Enclosed you will find the second halves of Bank Notes for £200, which as the first halves have arrived you need not trouble yourselves to acknowledge*”, pre paid “7”, endorsed “*Treble/ ½ more to pay CP*”, deleted and eventually charged at a double rate latter, charged with a further 7d.; the face struck with “HAVANT/73.” mileage mark, crescent/[CROWN] “*MORE TO/PAY*”, and London “*F/PAID*” tombstone d.s. Fine and attractive. Photo £400-500
- x2076 ☒ 1811 (29 March) entire letter from London to Liskeard, rated “11”, the lower half of the address panel with unusual endorsement “*The Post-master at Liskeard is requested to forward this immediately by a Special Messenger to St. Cleer to Mr. Jope*”, the reverse with London despatch marking. Fine and unusual £100-150
- x2077 ☒ 1811 (5 May) entire letter from Warden House, Ottery, to Richmond, Surrey, struck with “HONITON/139” mileage mark and PENNY POST/UNPAID.”; small tear at foot of entire, clear of the handstamp, a superb strike of this very rare marking, in use for only a few days in 1811. Photo £400-500
- 2078 ☒ 1812 (17 Dec.), entire letter to Dublin with straight line “CASHCARRIGAN” and a fine red Free “Mermaid” datestamp (far clearer than usually found); a little soiled and the address somewhat faded. Attractive £250-300
- 2079 ☒ 1813 (1 Sept.), entire from Dublin to Balbriggan with red Free “Mermaid” datestamp (somewhat unclear as usual), also 1814 printed Munster Road Office G.P.O. Dublin, entire letter with fair red Free datestamp showing the Mermaid removed; good to fine £120-150

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x2080 1814-59, a trio of Post Office notices of publications including 1814 (20 May) G.P.O. "Daily Statement of the Packet Boats"; 1839 (17 Aug.) "*An Act for the further Regulation of the Duties on Postage until the Fifth Day of October one thousand eight hundred and forty*"; and 1859 (26 Aug.) pamphlet titled "By Command of the Postmaster-General. Notice to the Public. Coin and Bank Notes". An interesting trio £150-200

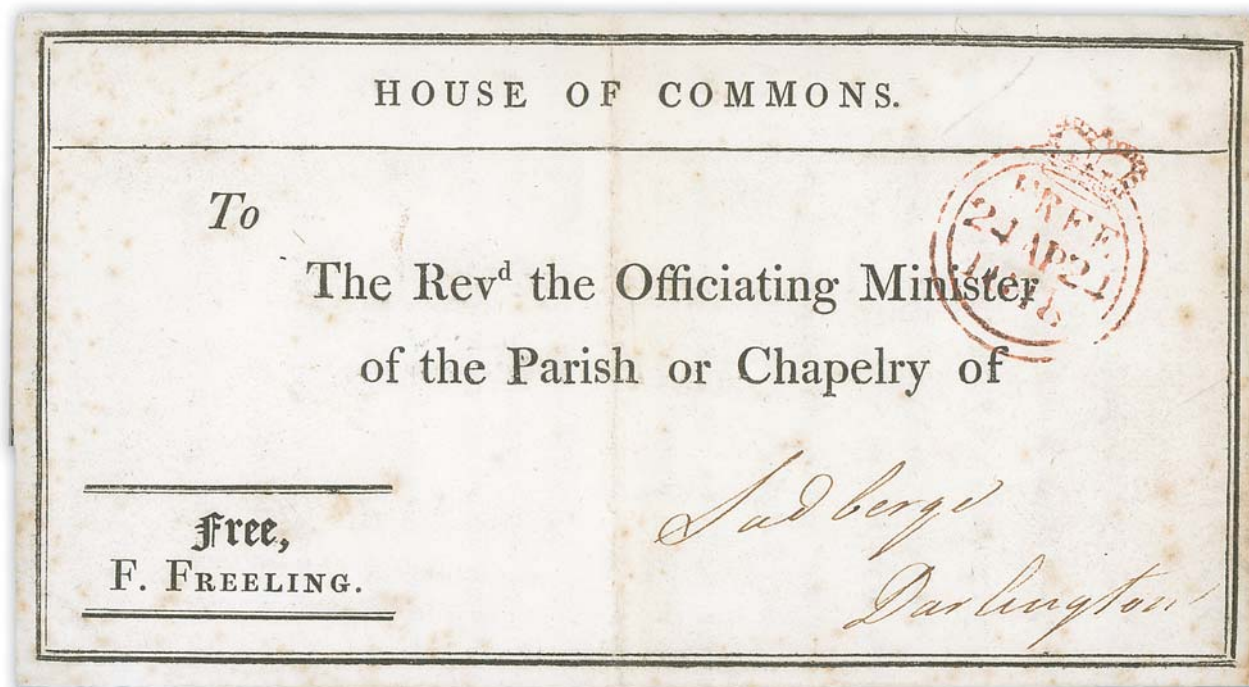
2081 ☒ 1814 (26 Jan.) part entire from Hellevoetsluis, Netherlands, to London with Harwich town d.s. likely used in lieu of Ship Letter, with memorandum note from Robertson in explanation; 1830 entire from Hamburg to London with "SHIP LETTER/HARWICH" (S.3) in black, these both ex Miller; also 1844 entire letter from Buenos Ayres to London "*p. Findon*", the face struck with fine "SHIP LETTER/YARMOUTH/Isle of Wight" (S.2) in black. Fine and scarce £300-400



2082

x2082 ☒ 1814 (10 Oct.) entire letter from Lymington to "*New England Coffee House, London*", then on to New York, the face struck with London Paid 13.10.14 tombstone and manuscript rates "*8d.*" (prepaid to London), then "*8½d.*" to New York, the reverse struck with superb "POST PAID WITHDRAWN SHIP LETTER/LONDON" 20.10.14. A wonderful example of this scarce marking, and early - the Withdrawn Ship Letter Act having only come into force on the 10th October of the same year. Photo £500-600

2083 ☒ 1817-99, a selection of Liverpool Ship Letters (10) with 1817 entire letter from New York to London bearing "LIVERPOOL/SHIP LETTER" (S.8) in black; 1826 entire letter from New York "*P Birmingham*" to London bearing well struck "SHIP LETTER/LIVERPOOL" (S.12) in black; 1832 part entire from New York to London with "LIVERPOOL/SHIP LRE" (S.3) in black; 1838 from London to America bearing Belfast in green and "PR. PACKET/BOSTON" in black d.s., alongside "19/CENTS" handstamp; 1839 entire letter from New York to London with "LIVERPOOL/SHIP LETTER" (S.14) in black; 1839 entire letter from Cuba to Paris bearing same; 1840 to London bearing same; 1841 entire letter from New York to London with "PAID" horseshoe in red, "NEW YORK" d.s. in red and, on the reverse, "AMERICA" crescent and London receiving d.s.; 1844 entire to London bearing dated "15 AU 14/LIVERPOOL.SHP" (S.16) in black; and Liverpool packet mail (P.18) in red on 1899 envelope from Gold Coast to London. Also Wales 1843 entire to Bristol "*P Sydney*" bearing "MILFORD/SHIP LETTER" (S.3) in black; and 1836 entire letter from Cuba to London bearing "SWANSEA/SHIP LETTER" (S.3) in black). Generally fine and a good group £400-600



2084

x2084 ☒

1818 (24 April) printed "HOUSE OF COMMONS. / To The Revd the Officiating Minister of the Parish or Chapelry of [manuscript] *Sadberge, Darlington* / free, F. Freeling"; face struck with Free crown circle, some overall foxing and vertical fold through entire. Very rare in this condition. Photo

£1,500-2,000

2085 ☒

Scotland: 1819-1963, a group of covers including entire letter from Cockspur St. to Edinburgh, redirected to Bunaw and Glasgow, a variety of markings with framed additional "½", red framed "POSTAGE TO EDINBURGH/NOT PAID" Glasgow/405 Mileage, also 1829 1d. Soldiers rate entire letter to Bannisburn, countersigned, 1854 letter from the Postmaster of Bothwell with a strike of the Bothwell u.d.c. in blue, 1863 stampless entire letter to France with Leith "221" duplex, charged "16" on arrival; Island mail and 1832 entire to Edinburgh with straight line "AROS" (Isle of Mull) on reverse, 1842 stampless entire Registered from Easdale to Edinburgh, with framed "OBAN" transit, 1901 coloured p.p.c (Dunollie Castle) with message written from Portree (Isle of Skye), franked ½d. with Stornoway cancellation, 1944 3d. + 2½d. registered envelope with Stronsey Kirkwall Orkney cancellation, taxed 3d. Postage Due, etc. A good group for the specialist

£250-300

2086 ☒

1820-1916, a selection of Kent Ship Letters (11) with 1846 entire (reinforced) from Rio de Janeiro to London bearing "FOLKSTONE/SHIP LETTER" (S.4) in black; 1824 entire letter from Brussels to Yorkshire bearing "SHIP LETTER/GRAVESEND" (S.7) in black and "BRUSSEL/Franco" in red; 1825 entire letter from Bilbao to London with S.7; 1836 entire from Cuba to London bearing "Gravesend/Ship Letter" (S.9) in black; 1820 entire to London with "MARGATE SHIP LETTER" (S.3) in black; 1843 entire letter from Buenos Ayres to London bearing "MARGATE/SHIP-LRE" (S.4) in black; 1841 entire to London with "NEW ROMNEY/SHIP LETTER" (S.5) in black; 1842 entire from Buenos Ayres to London with same; 1843 from Mexico to London with same as well as blue New Orleans transit d.s.; 1831 entire letter from Hamburg to London with "SHIP LETTER/QUEENBORO" (S.5) in black; and 1916 envelope to Ramsgate marked "Stamps no Available", censor mark and "RECEIVE FROM H.M. SHIP/NO CHARGE TO BE RAISED". Offered together with some bookplate illustrations of the ports in questions as well as charming engraved vignette of Margate with embossed surround. Generally fine

£600-800

Postal History - *contd.*

- 2087 ☒ 1821-45, a group of seven pre-stamp or stampless entires, including 1821 with red "KILKENNY/58" mileage, 1830 with framed "MISSENT/TO/EDINBURGH", 1842 with "Hazel*Grove" (very rare but with closed tears), 1844 with red Parsontown "Pd 1d", 1844 with blue framed "PAID AT/BALLYMENA", 1845 with green "P.D/C.RAINE", etc., chiefly fine £200-250
- x2088 ☒ 1822 (22 April) entire sent registered from Regensburg in Germany, to London via Holland, the face struck with "REGENSBURG/APR 1822" in black, "RECOMMANDIRT", "Charge" in black and red "REGISTERED/CROWN" struck over black "FRANCO" with endorsed "*recommande*"; the reverse, refolded to show at face, struck with red boxed "Duitsch-Grensk:/te/Arnhem" and two London F.P.O. 03.05.22 d.s., charged at 5/-. A rare early registered letter £250-300
- 2089 ☒ 1823-36, Sussex Ship Letters including 1836 (27 June) entire letter from Montserrat "*Per Lion. Capt. Norrie*", charged "1/4" and struck with "SHIP LETTER/BRIGHTON" (S.5); 1823 entire from Buenos Aires to London, charged "8", the reverse with "HASTINGS/SHIP LETTER" (S.3), together with four illustrations depicting Brighton and Hastings. Fine £150-200
- 2090 ☒ 1825 (24 Oct.), entire letter from Hermitage to Dublin, re-directed to Kilworth with blue CI Connell 88 (Castleconnell), superb red inspectors Crown and scalloped "POSTAGE to DUBLIN/NOT PAID" datestamp, dated markings on the reverse; fine and a rare combination of markings £350-400



2091



2093

- 2091 ☒ 1827 (19 June), entire letter to Dublin, re-directed to London, with red Limerick datestamp and serrated oval POSTAGE TO DUBLIN/NOT PAID datestamp; further dated markings on the reverse; seal removed from the reverse. Clean and uncreased. Spectacular. Photo £350-400
- 2092 ☒ 1828-1954 a selection of London Ship Letters (16) with 1828 entires from Bremen to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/LONDON" (S.2) in black; 1830 entire letter from Leipzig to London bearing "SHIP LETTER/LONDON" (S.24) in black; 1831 entire letter from Ellafeld to London bearing same; 1832 entire from Altona to London bearing (S.25) in black; 1835 entire letter from London to Bombay with London tombstone d.s. and (S.49) in red; 1836 entire letter from London to Brussels "*P Antwerp Steamer*" bearing (S.50) in red; 1840 entire letter from Antwerp to London bearing (S.28) in red; 1843 entire letter from Anvers to London bearing (S.28) in red; 1844 entire from Antwerp to London bearing (S.28) in red; with oval "*David & De Boe*" green cachet; 1845 entire letter from Antwerp to London with same; 1846 entire letter from Antwerp to London with same; 1847 entire from Rio de Janeiro to London with straight line "SHIP LETTER"; and 1854 entire letter from Lake Charles, via Boston to London. Generally fine and a comprehensive group of the crown types £800-1,000

- x2093 ☒ 1828 (30 May) entire letter from Cork to Edinburgh, the face struck with oval "CORK/124" mileage mark in red and single line "REGISTERED/2 JU/1828" with dots in red, rated at "3/-" (double rate) and "1/2" Scottish wheel tax. Fine and rare Irish registration within the period of free double rate registration for internal letters. Photo

£350-400



2094



2095

- x2094 ☒ 1828 (29 Nov.) entire letter from Killucan to Portaferry, doubly rated at "1/6" (65 to 95 miles), the face struck with "KILLUCAN/32" mileage mark and superb "REGISTERED/29 NO/1828" single ring d.s. without dots in red, the reverse with squared circle coded 'F' d.s. Fine and rare Irish registration within the period of free double rate registration for internal letters. Photo

£350-400

- x2095 ☒ 1829 (23 Feb.) entire letter from Killucan to Portaferry charged triple rate "2/9" (120-150 miles), the face struck with "KILLUCAN/32" mileage mark in black and superb single line "REGISTERED/23 FE/1829" d.s. with dots; the reverse with squared circle receiving d.s. in red. Fine and rare Irish registration within the period of free double rate registration for internal letters. Photo

£350-400

- 2096 ☒ 1829 (27 Aug.) entire letter from Shetland Bank, Lerwick to Edinburgh, rated "6", the reverse with superb boxed "LEERWICK/778-E" mileage mark and Edinburgh arrival d.s. Fine and appealing, being the farthest mileage mark for the British Isles, calculated from Charing Cross, London

£200-300

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The Famous Window Man Receipt



2097

x2097

1830 (19 Jan.) General Post Office Ireland 'Window Man Receipt' (Type 2, without rays) for 4/6d., initialled "AL" (Ambrose Lyster). The design just truncated at left and usual paper wrinkles, though an important and popular rarity. Photo

£600-800

Notes: Under the system of Free Registration, these receipts were issued if requested for double rate or heavier letters. Receipts were bound in a book hence the irregular sides on separating from binding.



2098

x2098 ☒

1830 (18 Aug.) entire from Vienna to London with two unclear Austrian marks, "L.A." in black, "CHARGE" in blue and cursive "Charge" in black, with "REGISTERED/[CROWN]" in red (2, one faint) and in black, charged "5/-", the reverse with F.P.O. d.s. Unusual with two different Registration types. Photo

£600-800



2099

- 2099 ☒ 1831 entire with some contents excised, from unknown origin to Edinburgh, the face struck with very clear "CAMBELTON/STEAM BOAT" in black, the reverse with Edinburgh 01.02.31 d.s. Some reinforcement to cracking along folds otherwise fine and a rare handstamp. Photo £300-400
- PROVENANCE:
C.W. Meredith Stone, Spink, July 2010, Lot 201
- LITERATURE:
Illustrated in Robertson, page E.29
- 2100 ☒ 1831 (9 July), printed insurance company return form to London with very fine red experimental *CORK*/JY 9/1831" datestamp, other dated marking on the reverse; clean and uncreased. Rare £300-350
- x2101 ☒ 1833 (17 Jun) entire letter from Prague to London, the face struck with "CHARGE" in blue and "Charge" in black, framed "L.A." in black, entry mark "AUTRICHE/PAR FORBACH" in red and black "REGISTERED/CROWN" (RL510), the reverse with London F.P.O. 28.06.33; also 1836 (12 Aug.) entire letter from Trebitsch to London, the face struck with "CHARGE" in blue, French entry "AUTRICHE/PAR FORBACH" in red, boxed "L.A." in black and "REGISTERED/CROWN" (L1131) in black, incorrectly rated at 4/2d., **cancelled by red Inspector's Crown**, then rated 1/4d. postage and 2/6d. registration. A fine and scarce duo £300-400
- x2102 1834-41 trio of Treasury copies for Post Office orders including 1834 (5 March) order titled "Packet Establishment" [manuscript number "467"]; 1835 (19 March) "Post Office Packets" [manuscript number "507"]; and 1841 (21 June) "Post Office" [manuscript number "345"]. An interesting group £200-300
- 2103 ☒ 1834 (30 July), entire letter from Hollymount to Dublin. redirected to Kingstown with "POSTAGE/NOT PAID" in oval on the front, red "HOLLYMOUNT" and dated markings on the reverse, also 1836 (Feb. 2) entire from Borris in Ossary to Edinburgh with red "Addl/½" on the front, red "Bs IN OSSARY/54" and dated markings on the reverse; fine. A scarce pair of letters illustrating the Unified Tariff of 1827 £250-300
- 2104 ☒ 1835 (24 March), entire letter from Artane to Phoenix Park with very fine "2" handstamp denoting unpaid as both places were outside the Penny Post area; clean and uncreased. Rare £200-250
- PROVENANCE:
Ex Field
- x2105 ☒ c.1836 Official front from France to London bearing Official handstamp and "REGISTERED/[CROWN]" (L1127a) in black - unusual on Official Mail £100-150

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x2106 ☒	1836 (29 Oct.) entire letter from Pless, Bavaria to London with straight line "RECOMMANDIRI" framed "BRITISH/FOREIGN" cancelled by "REGISTERED/[CROWN]" (L1127a) in black, charged 1/8d. foreign rate plus 2.6d. registration; also 1838 (21 Dec.) entire from Altona, Ireland, to London with "REGISTERED/[CROWN]" (L1127a) in black, endorsed registration number "363", calculation showing 3/4d. double rate postage, but not showing 2/6d. registration fee, the reverse with Altona d.s. (two types) and London receiving d.s. A fine duo	£500-600
2107 ☒	1837-60, a selection of Hull Ship Letters (7) with 1837 entire letter from Hamburg to London with "HULL/SHIP LETTER" (S.8) in red; 1841 entire letter from Bremen to Edinburgh with "HULL/SHIP LETTER" (S.9) in black; 1845 entire letter from Rigo to Dundee bearing dated "HULL/SHIP-LETTER/D.1 JY .1845" (S.11) in black; 1846 entire from Leipzig to London with same in blue; 1844 entire letter from Hamburg to London with same in green; 1848 entire from Gefle to London bearing same in blue; and 1860 envelope from Hull to Swansea bearing (S.13) in black. Also Glasgow 1893 packet letter from Canada to Scotland. A fine and useful group	£400-600
2108 ☒	1837 (2 Dec.), entire letter from Dublin to Londonderry with fine octagonal "PUT.IN.AFTER/SIX.O'CLOCK" and PAID morning code datestamp, both in red and "Derry/Penny Post" alongside; a closed tear on the reverse but fine and with fascinating contents regarding early dentistry ("...The Dentist put an India rubber tooth in my jaw. I find it does very well only it squeals a little if the meat is very tough...")	£200-250
2109 ☒	1838-49, Isle of Wight Ship Letters, 1838 entire letter from Rio de Janeiro to London per "Mary" with "SHIP LETTER/COWES" (S.3) in black; 1849 entire letter from Cowes to London with oval "SHIP AGENTS/CROSKEY, ROSS & BARROW/COWES" cachet in blue; and 1832 entire letter from Baltimore to London bearing "RYDE/SHIP LETTER" (S.3) in red. A fine trio	£150-200
x2110 ☒	1838 (12 Aug.) entire registered from Trebitsch to London "via Hamburg", endorsed "Recomandant" with handstruck "TREBITSCH", blue "CHARGE", Austrian "AUTRICHE/PAR FORBACH" in red, cursive "Charge" and framed "L.A." alongside "REGISTERED/CROWN" (L1128) in black, rated 2/8d. postage and 2/6d. registration. Fine and a most appealing cover	£300-400
x2111 ☒	1840-1952 "instructional marks" collection on pages, comprising covers (20+) to a range of destinations with various different marks including "Too Late", "More to Pay" cachets, "Late Fee" and "Missent" marks; examples include 1846 part entire bearing 1841 1d. red to Currie Scotland with scroll type "Too Late" cachet, 1907 envelope bearing 1½d. to Southport with boxed "Late Fee Paid" h.s.; also 1840 Mulready A141 and A173 1d. envelope unsevered pair, unused, 1857-80 3d. used on "The Illustrated London News" addressed to South Wales, the special Silver Jubilee edition on Silver paper (complete, folded), franked 1935 1½d. and addressed to Alberta and a selection of 24 Air Letters some overprinted Specimen or cancelled. Mixed condition though an interesting lot	£150-200
2112 ☒	1840-44, selection of six entires or entire letters with U.P.P. handstamps, comprising Beverley "1d" (2 one with Bradford Traveller datestamp), superb Hull "1d." (unrecorded type similar to the Selby handstamp), another with blue Hull traveller alongside, Ledbury "1", Warwick "P1"; fine. An attractive and scarce group	£300-350
2113 ☒	1840 entire letter from George Town to London "P Demerara via Dublin", struck with "DUBLIN/Ship Letter" (S.5) in black; 1842 (29 May) entire from Montevideo to London struck with "COVE/SHIP-LETTER" (S.2). A fine duo	£150-200



2114

- x2114 ☒ 1840 (10 Jan.) entire letter sent within London endorsed "*Pd.*", with clear "D/PAID/10 JAN 10/1840" tombstone on face in red, with red crayon "1", fine and a rare **first day of the Uniform Penny Post usage**. Also 1839 (25 Dec.) entire letter from Edinburgh to Kirkcaldy struck with handstruck "4" of Glasgow, a nice Christmas Day usage. Photo £300-400
- 2115 ☒ 1840 (5 Feb.), entire letter from Leominster to Ledbury and 1850 (15 Nov.) Broadway local envelope, each with different "2" Postage Due handstamps; minor staining but a fine pair £120-150
- 2116 ☒ 1840 (6 Feb.), entire letter from Slane to Dublin, endorsed *Prepd = 1d.* with "PAID" and "1" handstamps (previously unrecorded) and framed Dublin morning duty arrival (8.2) all in red on the front, Slane u.d.c. on the reverse; vertical filing fold clear of the markings, fine. A important Irish rarity £400-500
- 2117 ☒ 1840 (April), *Huth* correspondence entire to London, on reverse red London datestamp and framed "Jersey/Ship Letter" (crossed by clean filing folds); refolded for exhibition purposes, fine and scarce £200-300
- 2118 ☒ 1840 (23 Sept.), entire to Garvagh with superb red "1pd." of Portglenone on the front, dated markings of Portglenone and Magherafelt on the reverse, also 1844 (16 Sept.) small entire with superb inverted "Pd 1d" of Parsonstown and with green datestamp on the front. A most appealing pair of U.P.P. handstamps £200-220
- 2119 ☒ 1840 (5 Nov.) entire letter from Macao to London via the "*Louisa Baillie*", rated "8", the reverse with finely struck red boxed "INDIA LETTER/KINGSBRIDGE" [In.3], scarce, especially from Macao £250-300
- 2120 ☒ 1841-90 selection of six entires or envelopes, comprising 1841 with *Missent/to London*, 1843 with red *Dawley Green/Penny Post* (scarce), 1844 small envelope franked 1d. with *Coltishall/Penny Post*, 1890 three Post Office Jubilee 1d. envelopes with enclosures; good to fine £200-250
- x2121 ☒ 1842 (16 Sept.) entire registered from Liverpool to Kendal bearing 1841-53 1d. singles (2), both with large margins all round, tied by black Maltese Crosses, endorsed "*Registered 197*" and manuscript charge "*1/-*" registration fee, Liverpool d.s. on face and Kendal on reverse; also 1842 (2 Dec.) entire letter registered from Bristol to Glastonbury bearing 1841-53 1d. red, clear margins all round, tied by black Maltese Cross, endorsed "*to be Registered*" and "*Registered*", charged "*1/-*" registration fee, the front with Bristol d.s. A scarce duo £500-600

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- 2122 ☒ Scotland: 1843-52, six entires/envelopes franked imperf. 1d., including 1843 with Stirling distinctive Maltese Cross cancellation and superb "SOUTH METHUEN STREET RH" u.d.c. on reverse, 1852 from Glasgow to Lanark with "159" cancellation, 1852 to Haddington with superb boxed green "PENCAITLAND" Scots local on reverse. etc., good to fine £200-250
- x2123 ☒ 1843 (21 Jan. and 8 Dec.), two entire letters ex the same correspondence, registered from London to Balley, near Doncaster, both bearing clear margined 1841-53 1d. red (first just touching at upper right), tied by black Maltese Crosses, the first endorsed "55 Registered", the latter "243 Registered", both with charge mark "1/-" and corresponding London "PAID" d.s. A fine and scarce duo £300-400
- 2124 ☒ 1844-1917, selection (10 items), including 1844 1d. pink envelope with "small" Edinburgh Maltese Cross cancellation, 1896 cut down Medical Office of Health envelope resulting in the Die placed sideways to the left, 1900 envelope with enclosure franked 2½d. to Paris, redirected to Venice and taxed 50c. on arrival, 1906 multicoloured pictorial envelope (Fingals Cave) franked 2½d. to the U.S.A, 1914 and 1917 Telephone Services receipts franked 8/10d. and 3/7d. respectively, etc., chiefly good to fine £250-300
- 2125 ☒ 1845-56, stampless entire from Teignmouth to Chudleigh endorsed *Registered* and charged 1/-, 1856 stampless entire from London to Portugal, endorsed *Registered Letter* and *P Steamer*, oval "REGISTERED/G.P.O." datestamp, 1856 stampless entire from Rostock to London with boxed Recommandirt and red (Crown)/REGISTERED handstamps; also 1856 (5 May) entire letter to Somerset bearing 1d. 'stars' and 6d. embossed (clipped at right), tied by '498' of Manchester, endorsed "*Registered*" and with straight line "REGISTERED" handstamp in red. A scarce group £250-300
- 2126 ☒ 1846 (28 April), petite stampless envelope to Boulogne, with red "P-D" in oval, superb black Hastings "PAID/1D." ("1d." deleted and with "5 5/10 in the same red ink) on the front, on reverse Hastings and Boulogne sur Mer datestamps; fine and rare £250-350



2127

- 2127 ☒ 1846 (12 June), *Huth* correspondence entire to London with fine "JERSEY/SHIP LETTER" on the front, red Jersey, overstruck by London datestamps on the reverse; filing fold crosses the Ship Letter handstamp, fine. Photo £300-350
- 2128 ☒ 1847-49 a series of four covers From Arthur Phillott (Physician and Apothecary, 1813-53) addressed to Madras including three covers to Sergeant Overseer J.W. James (one entire letter, two envelopes), and one entire letter to Artillery Sergeant Major Dawson; each bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown paying a lower concessionary rate to soldiers. Also 1847 envelope and letter from Sarah Phillott in Mortlake to Constance Phillott Cavendish Square bearing 1841 2d. blue. An interesting group £150-200

- 2129 ☒ 1848 (2 March), embossed Ladies envelope (with matching enclosure), franked 1d. (just touched at right) with London “60” barred oval cancellation and with “Curzon t.” handstamp alongside, endorsed on reverse *Not known as derected* (sic); rare and a most attractive survival £300-400
- 2130 ☒ 1850-54, four embossed Ladies envelopes with embossed rectangle, surrounded by ornate leaves and “FREE” at foot (with or without Crown at top), comprising an unused example bearing an uncanceled imperf. 1d., matching an example used within Six Mile Bridge (with enclosure) without franking, used examples franked imperf. (English usage) or perf. (Irish usage) 1d.; fine. An attractive group £250-300
- 2131 ☒ 1853 (19 Nov.), small stampless envelope to Dorset with “JERSEY/SHIP LETTER” handstamp, rated 8 in manuscript and dated markings on the reverse; fine and uncreased £250-300
- 2132 ☒ Scotland: 1854-59, seven entires/envelopes franked 1d. “Stars”, including 1854 with blue framed INVERLEITHEN on reverse, 1855 to Glasgow with fine Bothwell u.d.c. cancellation, 1857 to Dunoon with framed INELLAN and Greenock experimental duplex cancellations, 1858 to Dunbar with “SPOTT” Scots local handstamp on the reverse, 1859 to Peebles with PORT HOPETON on reverse, etc., chiefly good to fine6 n £250-300
- x2133 ☒ 1855 (29 Jan.) envelope addressed to ‘Major’ (later General) J.W.Gordon/Coms RI Engineer/Army in the Crimea bearing 1d. strip of three cancelled by London ‘35’ barred obliterator, the reverse with Woolwich E.C. straight-line in blue and despatch datestamp. Fine and attractive **Crimea destination** £200-250
- 2134 1857 “*Post Office. Principal Streets and Places in London. And its Environs, as Divided into Postal Districts. With Maps. By Command of the Postmaster General. April 1857*”, printed by George E. Eyre and William Spottiswoode; complete with maps, the cover reassembled and some overall foxing though a scarce and early publication £80-100
- 2135 1864 (19 March), autographed letter, signed by **Rowland Hill** to James Aspinall Turner, referring to “The question recently submitted to Lord Palmerston by Sir Francis Baring”; folds and minor staining; fine. R.P.S. Certificate (2001) £400-500
- 2136 ☒ 1865 (13 Feb.), blue envelope to Chesterfield with the addressee's name and address made from cut outs from a newspaper or magazine; franked 1864-79 1d. Plate 94 (discoloured around the perfs.); small faults and stains. Most unusual, probably a Valentine £100-150
- 2137 ☒ 1870 (1 Oct.), ½d. postal stationery card to Hereford with fine “654” duplex” cancellation of Ross; a little soiled but rare first day of the postcard rate £250-300
- 2138 ○ 1883-1961, special event cancellations, collection in a blue album, including 1883 Shepherds Bush Exhibition, large part strike on fiscal 6d., 1909 Stamp Exhibition on ½d. on p.p.c., 1911 Congress and Exhibition on piece, 1912 Margate Congress piece franked Edward 2d., George V ½d. (2), 1d., 1924 Wembley H.R. Harmer cover (with enclosure) franked 1d., 1½d., 1925 Chester Royal Show piece franked 1d. (9 with 4 cancellations), 1929 Newcastle on P.U.C. ½d. on Crystal Palace p.p.c., 1931 Congress on ½d. on piece, 1935 Congress with Proof sheets of the labels, Exhibition tickets, etc., chiefly good to fine £200-300
- 2139 ☒ **Registered:** 1890-1961, selection (9 items), including 1890 Parcel tag franked 1887 5d., 1898 form the German Consulate in London, 1904 2d. + 1d. Registered envelope additionally franked 2d. and 1/-, 1906 envelope to Germany franked Queen 1d. pink cut-out, Edward 1d. and 3d., 1906 2d. + 1d. Registered envelope to Germany additionally franked 1½d., 1908 Insured letter to Italy franked 1887 10d., Edward ½d., 1961 Certificates of Posting (2) dated 1 Feb. (first day), etc., chiefly fine £250-300
- 2139A 18th-20th Century archive of correspondence in relation to the Maxwell family mostly from or addressed to Reverend Edward Maxwell or Captain Maxwell including the Passport for “*Rev E Maxwell to Palestine*” with Turkish revenue stamp, a number of bank drafts from Edward, 1778 letter from Thomas Coutts to Edward, a variety of instructional, town and mileage markings, 1901 letter from Osborne House to “*Tweedmouth*”, book plates with original metal plates depicting members of the family. An interesting collection well worth careful study £300-600

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2140

- 2140 ☒ 1902 (22 June), envelope to Edenbridge, endorsed *from 1285 Trooper T. Walton S.A.C.* franked 1841 1d. (cut into at foot) with “FIELD POST OFFICE B.O./BRITISH ARMY S.AFRICA” double ring cancellation; faults but good appearance and exceptionally rare use of the imperf. 1d. on a Boar War cover. Photo £800-1,000

Illustrated Envelopes

- 2141 ☒ 1915-16 large **hand painted** card envelope (c.281x340mm.) from Col. Hugh Rose to “*His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales 1st Bn Grenadier Guards BEF*”; the images depicts a German soldier in surrender, concealed behind a tree. The envelope with triangular Censor marking and signed by the artist in the upper left. Very fine and rare £1,200-1,500

PROVENANCE:

Christie's Robson Lowe, “By the Order of Sir Michael Thomas, Bart.”, December 1988, a copy of this catalogue is included.

Royalty

- 2142 ☒ 1750 (c.)-1960, selection (22 items), including 1828-29 three entire letters from Switzerland to Charl Menich who was musician to King George IV, 1840 entire from Melrose with interesting contents including “...who would have thought you would have been in London at the Queen’s marriage...”, 1842 1d. pink envelope (with enclosure) addressed to The Lord Fred Gordon, Palace, Kensington, 1870 (c.) stampless mourning envelope from the Archbishop of Canterbury to the Queen, 1907 p.p.c. franked Edward ½d. with Balmoral Castle cancellation (with Crown obliterated), 1930 (c.) a piece of Buckingham Palace Privy Purse Office stationery with six impressions of the violet oval “PRIVY PURSE/P (Crown)/BUCKINGHAM PALACE” cachet, etc., an interesting group £250-300
- 2143 ☒ 1806 (12 Dec.) entire letter from Kensington Palace to Buckingham House, signed *Kent & Strathearn* (Edward Duke of Kent, 1767-1820, Father of Queen Victoria); with clear red “Apple” Free datestamp (crossed by filing fold); fine and rare £200-250
- 2144 1838 (17 March), a letter, with embossed “(Crown)/VRI”, written by Queen Victoria at Buckingham Palace, *The Queen quite approves that Mr. Seton shd receive the honour of knighthood next Wednesday at the Levee*. A fine early letter from Victoria just eight months into her long reign £250-300

- 2145 ☒ 1853 (9 Feb.), stampless envelope, with enclosure, written and signed *Victoria* (Duchess of Kent, the mother of Queen Victoria) from Frogmore to Le Comte Alphonse de Mendtsdorf Posilly, Moravia; a variety of markings; the envelope with small fault at top, scarce. Also 1860 (c.) photomontage of Queen Victoria, Albert and the nine children, 1900 (c.) Pres photo of Victoria, Edward, George and baby by W & D Downey, 1905 p.p.c. of Princess Beatrice (Victoria's daughter), endorsed "*Wishing dear lady Southampton a Happy Christmas and New Year from Beatrice*". A fine group £250-300
- 2146 △ 1860 (c.) Dispatch tag signed *The Earl of Aberdeen Albert* (Prince Albert), on reverse *The Queen Clarendon* (Foreign secretary), also 1880 tag with *Private The Viscount Halifax, The Queen*, also notated *The Queen Granville*; both with string holes. Most unusual £200-250
- 2147 ☒ 1872 (Feb.) mourning envelope with embossed "Osborne" on the flap, addressed to Miss Murray Macgregor (authoress and friend of Queen Victoria) in Edinburgh, franked 1d. Plate 127 tied by the tiny Por/SC Star of the Plymouth T.P.O., transit and arrival datestamps on reverse; Also 1875 (24 Dec.), envelope from Osborne House to London with superb intact black wax Privy Purse seal on reverse, signed Henry Ponsonby (Private secretary to Queen Victoria), franked 1d. Plate 148 with Portsmouth Sorting Carriage c.d.s. and with arrival of Dec. 25 on reverse. A fine duo £250-300
- 2148 1896, a small French multicoloured Easter Card "*Le Christ et Saint Jean*", written by Queen Victoria, inscribed on the reverse *To dear Ismay Southampton with every good wish for Easter blessings from her vy afft VR 1 Ap 1896*; fine and a very scarce personal card from the latter part of Victoria's life, offered together with 1897 "Dagonet" Victorian lettercard and embossed Diamond Jubilee invitation card. A charming trio £250-300
- 2149 ☒ 1899 (9 Oct.), envelope to Berkshire franked 1d., with enclosure from Kensington Palace, the Berkshire, from Louise (Queen Victoria's daughter), also 1903 (21 Oct.), envelope with enclosure from Curragh Camp Co. Kildare. signed Arthur (son of Queen Victoria) to Lady Barrymore and carried privately; the first with minor stains but two fine letters from the Queen's children £150-200
- 2150 ☒ 1910 (7 Sept.), piece with red "OFFICIAL PAID/10PM/SP 23/10// (Cown)" temporary datestamp which was apparently in use when the court was away from London, also the same postmark but dated Oct. 4 1911 on envelope with violet GvR cypher to London and 1928 envelope to Viscountess Sandhurst with violet GvR cypher and red "OFFICIAL PAID/LONDON" c.d.s., fine £100-150
- Ephemera**
- 2151 1753, six coloured leaves [39/40, 55/56, 67/68, 111/112, 175/176, 267/268] from the Owen and Bowen Strip Map publication, each leaf printed on both sides, areas include Wales with Holywell and Flintshire, Staffordshire, Cornwall, and Worcestershire. Some foxing commensurate with age otherwise fine and charming £80-100
- 2152 1844 (29 June), three pages from "*The Illustrated London News*", No. 113, Vol. IV in black frame (840x440mm.), each page with text and illustration for a feature on "*The General Post-Office (By Authority)*" with coloured vignettes titled "*Secret-Office, At the General Post-Office*", "*The Letter Carrier's Office.*", "*The 'Inland' Letter Office*", "*The Money-Order Vaults*", "*The Newspaper Bin*", "*Packing the Indian Mail*", "*Letter-Bag Hoist*" and "*The Office Letter Railroad*". Fine and most attractive £250-300
- 2153 19th century colour print titled "*Royal Mails, Starting from the Post Office*" in frame (480x420mm.); 1827 colour print of "*The Mail Coach in a Thunder Storm on Newmarket Heath*" by James Pollard, engraved by G. Reeves depicting mail coach 205, in wooden frame (360x300mm.); 1835 colour print titled "*Quicksilver Royal Mail*" by J. Pollard and Engraved by C. Hunt, published by Ackermann in London depicting Devonport an London '209' mail coach outside 'Star and Garter Tavern' in frame (620x570mm.). An attractive trio £250-300

Ephemera - contd.

2154

c.1900s, five vignettes cut from publication and mounted within frame (320x530mm.), each vignette is numbered and depicts the progress of the post: “*Waiting for the Start*” shows the horses being readied outside the ‘Falcon Inn’, “*Picking up the Mails*” depicting the mail coach approaching an anonymous Post Office, “*Fairly off*” showing the mail coach setting off with passengers, “*Stopping-place.*” which shows a break taking place outside ‘Half Way House’, “*The Last Few Miles.*”, a large vignette which shows, in more detail, the mail coach, drivers and passengers, the coach marked “*John Horne, Brighton, Portsmouth*”. Charming

£300-400

TREASURY COMPETITION ESSAYS

Charles Whiting

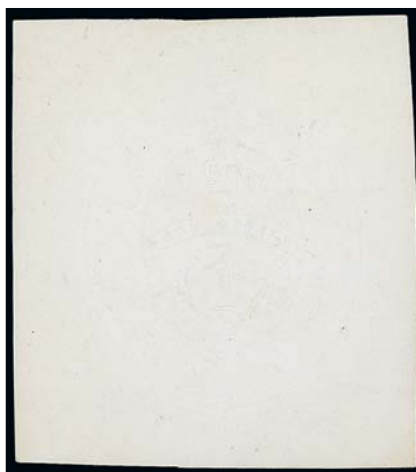


2155

2155 ⑥

“POST OFFICE 1D. HALF OZ” embossed essay in blue on wove paper, fine and a clear impression. Photo

£400-500



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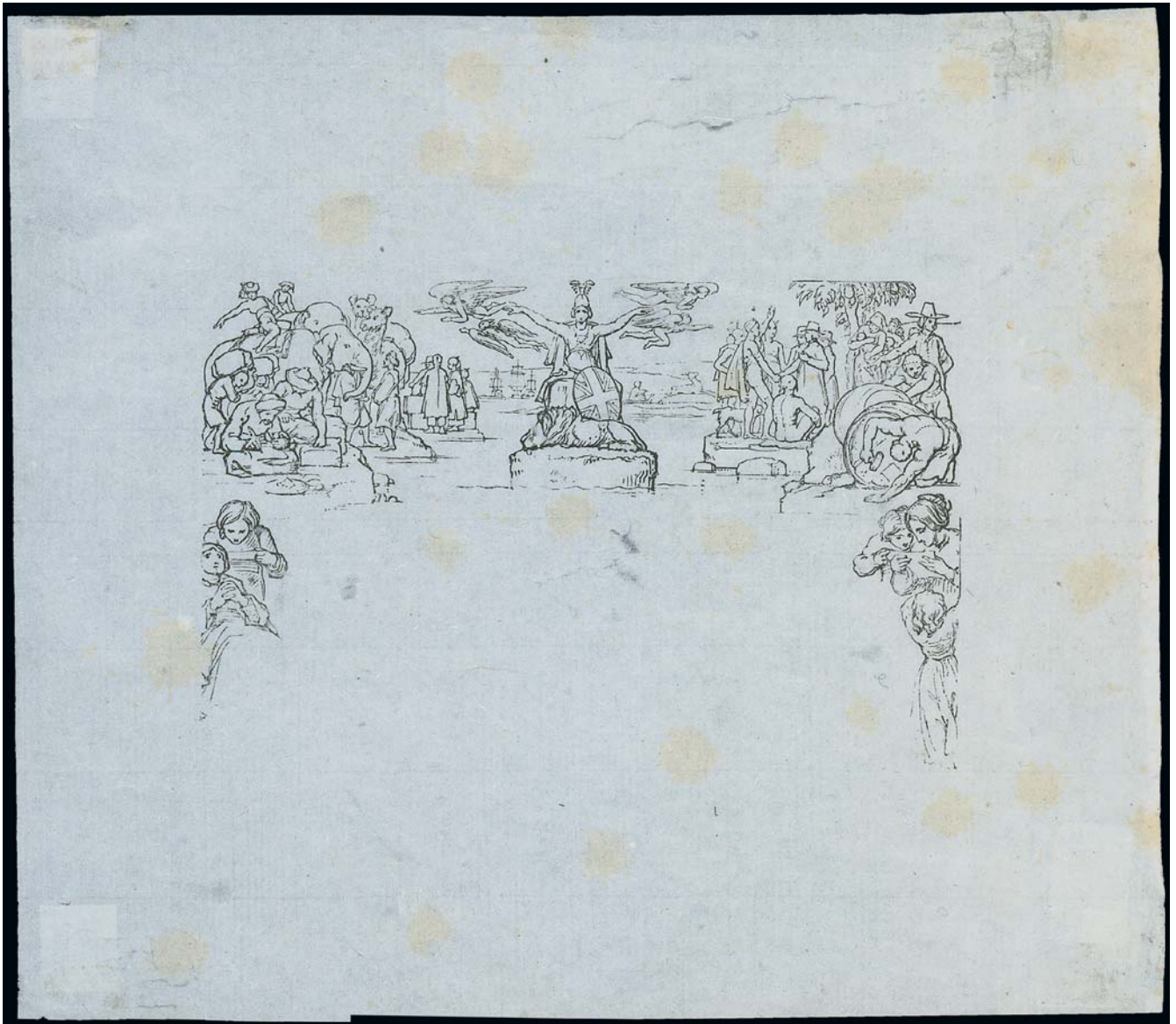
2156 ⑥

“POST OFFICE 1D. HALF OZ” embossed essay in colourless relief on wove paper, fine with large margins all round and a razor sharp impression. Photo

£400-500

1840 MULREADY

John Thompson's Proof Submitted to Henry Cole



2157

x2157 ⑩

John Thompson's proof of stereotype in black on India paper in lettersheet format (c.199x174mm.) with near complete design less the framelines and inscriptions "W. MURLEADY" and "JOHN THOMPSON" which would be added in subsequent proofs and the issued design; one or two tears as to be expected with this delicate paper and some light foxing, otherwise fine and a most important piece for the Mulready and Great Britain collector, believed to be unique. B.P.A. Certificate (2010). Spec. MP3, £25,000. Photo

£10,000-15,000

PROVENANCE:
Louis Grunin, Spink, April 1998

1840 Mulready - *contd.*



2158

x2158 ①

Proof of stereotype [State 4] in black on India paper with complete sheet margins (c.220x192mm.), frame lines, "W. MULREADY R.A." and "JOHN THOMPSON." now added; slight peripheral mottling and pin hole in margin at right, neither of which detract from the visual appeal of this striking impression, and an important proof. Spec. MP4, £3,000. Photo

£800-1,000

One Penny Lettersheets



2159 (detail)

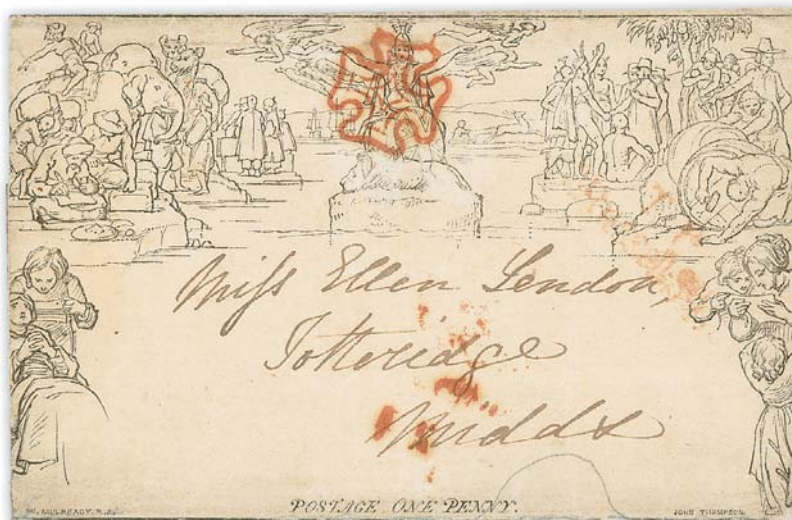
2159

Complete sheet of twelve lettersheets arranged 4x3 with stereos A16-A19, A21-A27 and A30, variously folded though mostly between impressions, generally very fine and rare in this form. Framed (960x650mm.). Photo

£800-1,000

1840 Mulready, One Penny Lettersheets - *contd.*

May Dates



2160

x2160 ☒

A1, 1840 (6 May) from London to Totteridge, cancelled by red Maltese Cross alongside faint "T.P./Russell.St.", the reverse with clear octagonal "PD" and circular "8 Nr8" 06.05.40 datestamps; lettersheet with some reinforced faults, nevertheless a rare and important **first day usage**. Once accompanied by B.P.A. Certificate (1975) no longer present. Spec. ME1, £18,000. Photo

£2,000-4,000

PROVENANCE:
Christie's Robson Lowe, 1982
Shaïda, April 1993
Hadley, June 1995

LITERATURE:
Illustrated in "May Dates", Mike Jackson, Page 217



2161

2161 ☒

Stereo obscured, dated 8 May 1840 (third official day of use), addressed to Clerkenwell, with superb red Maltese Cross cancellation, light T.P./Portugal St. alongside and clear London datestamp on reverse; originally folded so the inscription W.MULREADY R.A POSTAGE ONE PENNY and JOHN THOMPSON would have shown on the reverse, now folded correctly, part of the back flap cut out and replaced. Rare. Photo

£500-600

1840 Mulready, One Penny Lettersheets - *contd.*



2162

2162 ☒

A1, dated 23 May 1841 and uprated by 1841-53 "Black" Plate 1d. red-brown EJ (very close or just barely touched at right, good to large margins other sides) placed at lower left, contrary to Post Office instructions, addressed to Paternoster Row, black Windsor Maltese Cross cancellations showing a distinctive dot; clean vertical filing folds, fine and a very rare Mulready uprated by a "Black" Plate 1d. Ferchenbauer short Certificate (1997). Photo

£3,000-3,500



2164

2164 ☒

A2, dated 8 March 1850, with blue English and Scottish Law fire and Life Assurance advertisement (Specialised MA122b), addressed to London and with inverted "180" barred oval cancellation clear of Britannia, Chester and London datestamps on the reverse; some peripheral imperfections but wonderful fresh appearance and rare. B.P.A. Certificate (2006)

£300-400



2165

2165 ☒

A5, 1843 (Feb.) from Lerwick to Liverpool, cancelled by black Maltese Cross, the reverse with boxed Lerwick, Edinburgh and Liverpool d.s., some overall foxing otherwise fine and rare, there being few Mulready lettersheets known used from the Shetlands. Photo

£800-1,000

- 2166 ☒ A8, with blue English and Scottish law fire and life assurance advertisement (Specialised MA 121b), dated 27 Nov. 1840, slightly oily central red Maltese Cross cancellation over red boxed "No. 7"; fine £120-150
- 2167 ☒ A11, with Family endowment annuity, life assurance, & reversionary interest society advertisement (Specialised MA128a), dated 1 Sept. 1841, addressed to London, central black Maltese Cross cancellation, dated markings on reverse, also 1d. pink postal stationery envelope, dated 3 Dec. 1847 with "575" barred oval cancellation and *Collishall/Penny Post* handstamp alongside; minor imperfections £150-200
- 2168 ☒ A23, dated 4 May 1842, addressed to Melrose, superb central thin lined black Edinburgh distinctive Maltese Cross cancellation, dated marking on reverse; clean vertical filing fold, fine and appealing £400-500



2169

- 2169 ☒ A27, with blue English and Scottish law fire and life assurance advertisement (Specialised MA 122b), dated 24 April 1841 and addressed to Railway Station Brighouse, fine black Manchester "Fish Tail" distinctive Maltese Cross cancellation and with matching c.d.s. on the reverse; some soiling but very scarce with only seven examples of the distinctive Cross on a Mulready recorded by Rockoff and Jackson. Photo £2,000-2,500
- 2170 ☒ A35, dated 27 Aug. 1840, addressed to London, superb red Maltese Cross cancellation, Cambridge c.d.s. on the reverse; small imperfections but fine and fresh appearance £220-250
- 2171 ☒ A42, with blue Family endowment, annuity, life assurance, & reversionary interest Society advertisement (Specialised MA128a), dated 19 Feb. 1841, addressed to London, superb black Maltese Cross cancellation; pre printing paper crease at left, some small imperfections but wonderful appearance £150-200
- x2172 ☒ A57 1d. and a105 2d. lettersheets, both of remarkable proof-like striking, the 1d. folded down, the 2d. unfolded except vertical fold in margin at right, likely for display purposes, the 2d. also with 'stitch' watermark. A beautiful, vivid pair £1,500-2,000

1840 Mulready, One Penny Lettersheets - *contd.*

- 2173 ☒ A63, with Manchester and Liverpool district bank advertisement (Specialised MA307), dated 18 Aug. 1840 and addressed to Carlisle, two red Maltese Cross cancellations and Manchester c.d.s. across flap on the reverse; horizontal filing fold, slight soiling and some surface scrapes on the reverse. Scarce £220-250
- 2174 ☒ A66, dated 27 May 1844. addressed to Stratford on Avon and with London district "13" cancellation (just to the right of Britannia), dated marking on reverse. Also A234, dated 25 March 1842 from Christchurch to Leicester, central black Maltese Cross cancellation. Both soiled and with faults. And Deraedemaeker reprint of Southgate No. 1 caricature £180-200
- 2175 ☒ A67, with blue English and Scottish law fire and life assurance advertisement (Specialised MA121e), dated 17 Sept. 1840 from Margate to London and unusually addressed in blue ink, green wax seal on reverse, light red Maltese Cross cancellation, vertical filing fold and originally folded a little out of shape so the *Postage One Penny* is on the reverse £100-120
- 2176 ☒ A71: "The Envelope Select Advertiser" printed in blue, 1840 (2 July) to Glasgow uprated with 1d. black, Plate 4, lettered SJ, tied by red Maltese Cross, written in the hand of and signed by Sir Robert Peel; a fine and rare uprated Mulready. B.P.A. Certificate (1972). S.G. MP1a £1,500-2,000

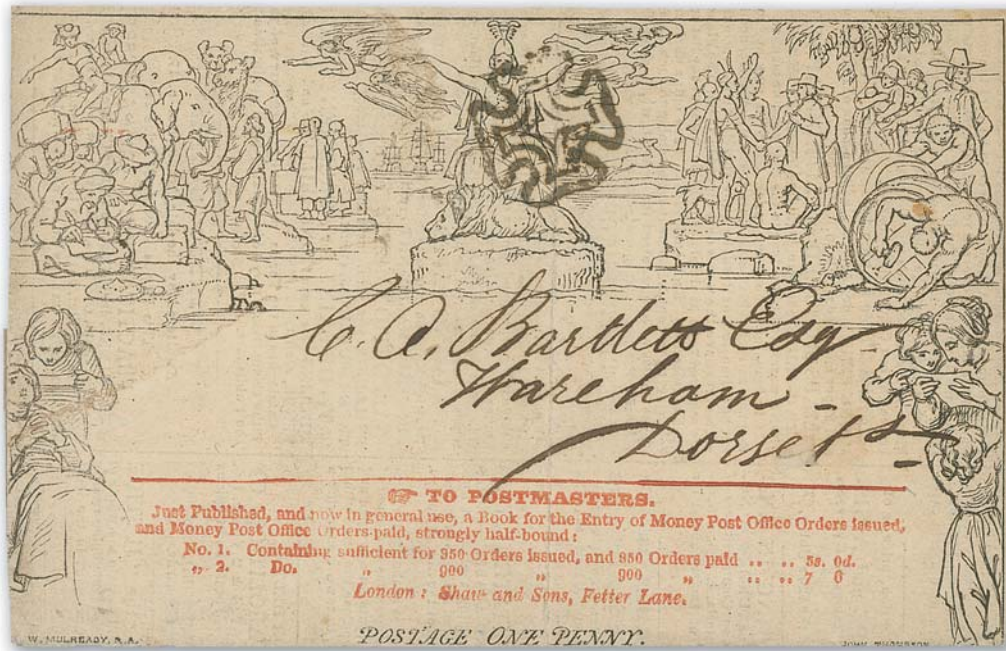


2177



2179

- 2177 ☒ A220, 1840 (23 Jan.) from London to Montrose, the face cancelled by **number '3' in Maltese Cross**, the reverse with London, Edinburgh and Montrose d.s., two vertical folds otherwise fine and scarce. Spec. £2,400. Photo £300-400
- 2178 ☒ A223: Two lettersheets from Bury St. Edmunds, one dated 1841 (15 April) to Norwich with Maltese Cross on face and collection d.s. on reverse, both in black, and double ring Norwich d.s. on reverse; the other dated 1840 (13 Sept.) to "The Earl of Surrey, Windsor Castle" with Maltese Cross on face and collection d.s. and London receiving on reverse. Both with faults, the former heavily folded though an interesting duo £150-200
- 2179 ☒ A230, 1840 (13 Sept.) from London to Leith, the face cancelled by **number '4' in Maltese Cross**, the reverse with London and Leith d.s. Two vertical folds, some minor foxing, otherwise sound and scarce. Spec. £3,000. Photo £300-400
- 2180 ☒ A235, 1847 (2 Oct.) "The London, Edinburgh, and Dublin (Guaranteed Mutual and Proprietary) Life Assurance Company" advertising lettersheet sent from Bristol to London, the face struck with superb '134 barred numeral, the reverse with Bristol and London d.s. Very fine and an late usage, especially unusual being an advertising lettersheet. Spec. MA131f £500-600



2181

- 2181 ☒ A237, with Works published by Shaw & Sons and "Poor Laws" at left advertisement (Specialised MA 477g) and with additional red "(Pointing Finger) To Postmasters, just published, and now in general use, a book for the Entry of money Post Office orders issued, and Money Post Office orders paid; strongly half-bound..." advertisement on the front, dated 8 July 1841 and used to Wareham, black Maltese Cross cancellation, dated markings on reverse; clean filing folds. Fine and rare. Believed to be one of only two recorded examples of the very rare advertisement (the other known example, seemingly addressed in the same hand is ex Klempka and Grunin, Spink Dec. 7 2022). Photo £2,500-3,000
- 2182 ☒ A241, dated 15 Feb. 1841, addressed to Holborn, fine black Maltese Cross cancellation with red T.P./Cornhill alongside, dated marking on reverse; a little soiled. Also 2d. envelope, a203, unused, unfolded but a little creased £200-250
- 2183 ☒ A254, with blue Family Endowment and Life Assurance & Reversionary Interest Society advertisement (Specialised MA128a), unused, folded and small faults; fine appearance and rare £100-150
- 2184 ☒ Stereo missing, with blue English and Scottish law fire and life assurance advertisement (Specialised MA122b), addressed to Wigan, dated 13 May 1841, two overlapping black Maltese Cross cancellations, dated markings on the reverse; vertical filing fold and small stain on the reverse. Fine £180-200
- 2185 ☒ Stereo missing, dated 2 March 1842, addressed to Kentish Town, crisp black Maltese Cross cancellation with blue step type "T.P./Clapham Rd" alongside, dated marking on reverse, very fine £250-300

1840 Mulready, One Penny Lettersheets - *contd.*



2186

2186 ☒

Stereo missing, dated 26 Sept. 1858, with blue English and Scottish law fire and life assurance advertisement (Specialised MA 122b), superb central London "71" duplex cancellation and with equally fine blue Kennington Cross u.d.c. on the reverse; flap thinning, otherwise fine and uncreased. Photo

£400-500

Two Pence Lettersheets



2187 (detail)

2187

A complete sheet of twelve, arranged 4x3, with stereos a90-92, a94, a95-a99, and a103-a105; variously folded with some crossing the impressions and some reinforcement affecting a94 and a103. Framed (960x640mm.). Rare. Photo

£800-1,000



2188

2188 ☒

a98, 1845 (14 Feb.) from Halkirk to Thurso, cancelled by '172' barred numeral, the reverse with superb "HALKIRK" undated handstamp in greenish hue; two well pressed vertical folds, otherwise fine and rare. Photo

£800-1,000

1840 Mulready - *contd.*

One Penny Envelopes

May Dates



2189

x2189 ☒

A140, 1840 (6 May) from London locally addressed and dated MAY.6.1840, cancelled by red Maltese Cross, alongside "ROSAMOND. ST.", THE REVERSE WITH OCTAGONAL "pd "06.05.40" datestamps; A little torn on reverse, some staining and soiling, still quite fresh and rare, an attractive **first day usage**. S.G. Spec. ME2, £18,000. Photo

£2,500-3,000

PROVENANCE:
Harmers, October 1976

LITERATURE:
Illustrated in "MAY DATES" page 234



2190

2190 ☒

A166, addressed to the Temple, very fine central red Maltese Cross cancellation and with T.P./Coram St. alongside, on reverse, and opening well for display, very fine London MY 6/1840 (first official day of usage) datestamp; clean and uncreased, a few minor peripheral imperfections but wonderful appearance and very rare. Photo

£3,000-4,000

Note: Recorded in "May Dates"

1840 Mulready, One Penny Envelopes - *contd.*

2191 ☒

A174, Forme 4, to Tunbridge Wells cancelled by red-orange Maltese cross and with 'EDGWARE RD.' used on **9th. May 1840** handstamp alongside; some soiling and creasing, still a very early usage

£200-300



2192

x2192 ☒

A173 (unallocated stereo), dated 10 May 1840 (first Sunday), to London, fine red Maltese Cross cancellation and with double ring Ramsgate c.d.s. on reverse overstruck by red London B morning duty arrival (11.5); some creases and soiling. Rare. Specialised ME2, £16,000. Photo

£800-1,000

2192A ☒

A172, 1840 (25 May) from Manchester to London, cancelled by red Maltese Crosses, the reverse with Manchester d.s. in red. Fine

£350-400

2192B ☒

Stereo obscured, dated 27 May 1840, fine upright red Maltese Cross cancellation; vertical crease at right, otherwise fine and attractive Irish usage

£200-250

2193 ☒

A160, dated 7 Aug. 1840, addressed to Ramsgate, central red Maltese Cross cancellation, dated marking on reverse. Also A182, dated **20 May 1840**, addressed to Bromley with a lovely upright strike of the Bath pink Maltese Cross, dated markings on the reverse; both stained and with some creasing or wrinkling

£200-250

2194 ☒

A164, 1843 (30 May) from London to Warwick, the face cancelled by **number '5' in Maltese Cross**, the reverse with London and Warwick d.s. Some overall foxing and marking though scarce. Spec. £2,250

£200-300



2195 (detail)

2195	A complete sheet of twelve arranged (4x3) with stereos A164, A172, A174-A182 and A189, small area of foxing and three or four vertical folds as one might expect which in no way detract from the visual appeal of this rare sheet. Framed (800x560mm.). Photo	£800-1,000
x2196 ☒	A143: 1840 (15 July) from London to Chard with a very clear strike of the London Maltese Cross with solid centre in red; very fine and scarce	£200-300
2197 ☒	A153, dated 2 Sept. 1840, red Maltese Cross cancellation and with matching "SALISBURY/PENNY POST" alongside; overall toning, unusually originally folded a little out of shape. Appealing	£250-300
2198 ☒	A153, dated 8 Sept. 1840, addressed to York, central red Maltese Cross cancellation (almost clear of Britannia) and with matching Newport Salop c.d.s.; small faults on the reverse, otherwise clean and uncreased. Attractive	£200-250

1840 Mulready, One Penny Envelopes - *contd.*



2199

2199 ☒

A170, dated 1 May 1843, with blue Scottish provident institution for assurances and annuities on lives advertisement with manuscript *Office 96 South Mall* at lower right (Specialised MA142a), addressed to Rosscarberry with light black Maltese Cross cancellation and fair blue "ROSSCARBERRY/PENNY POST" below; fine and very rare Irish use of a Penny advertising envelope. Photo

£1,000-1,200

Two Pence Envelopes



2200

x2200 ☒ ©

Proof striking endorsed "Proof" in manuscript ink over the value inscription, stereo a202. B.P.A. Certificate (2010). Very fine and rare. Photo

£3,000-4,000

Notes: The manuscript "Proof" appears similar in hand to that from the Wallace Archive, sold in Tito Giamporcaro, 17th October, 1996.

PROVENANCE:
H.R. Harmer, April 1956
E.E. Yates,
Robson Lowe, 1949

1840 Mulready, Two Pence Envelope - *contd.*



2201

2201 △

Front, Registered to Lancaster, additionally franked 1840 2d. Plate 2: SI, cut into on two sides, tied by black Maltese Cross cancellation, manuscript *Registered* and 550 (two different inks) and with additional *Registered* below; some stains and glue marks on reverse. Nevertheless an extraordinary rarity. A new discovery of considerable visual appeal. Photo

£600-800



2202 (detail)

2202

A complete sheet of twelve, arranged 4x3, with stereos a195-a203 and a208-a210, various folds though generally very fine and rare. Framed (810x560mm.). Photo

£800-1,000

2203 ☒

a200 and Letter sheets a90, both fine unused. S.G. £875

£200-250



2204

2204 ☒

a198, dated 12 June 1845, addressed to Lambeth, central “625” barred oval cancellation of Portsmouth, dated markings on reverse; a little soiled or wrinkled, seal missing, scarce. Photo

£300-350

Caricatures

x2205 ☒

William Spooner envelope number 1, dated 22 Aug. 1840 and used from London to Norwich, endorsed “Prepaid”, rated “1” (crossed through) and “2” in manuscript, dated markings on reverse; the envelope, with a variety of humorous notations on the front, roughly opened, ink burning and the right hand flap missing. Nevertheless rare

£200-250

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LINE ENGRAVED PROOFS AND ESSAYS

2206

Perkins and Fairman complete sheet of engine turned engravings with various value tablet designs for £1 and 20/-, vignettes and background designs. One or two minor spots of foxing otherwise very fine and attractive. Framed (430x600mm.)

£1,500-2,000

“Rainbow” Trials



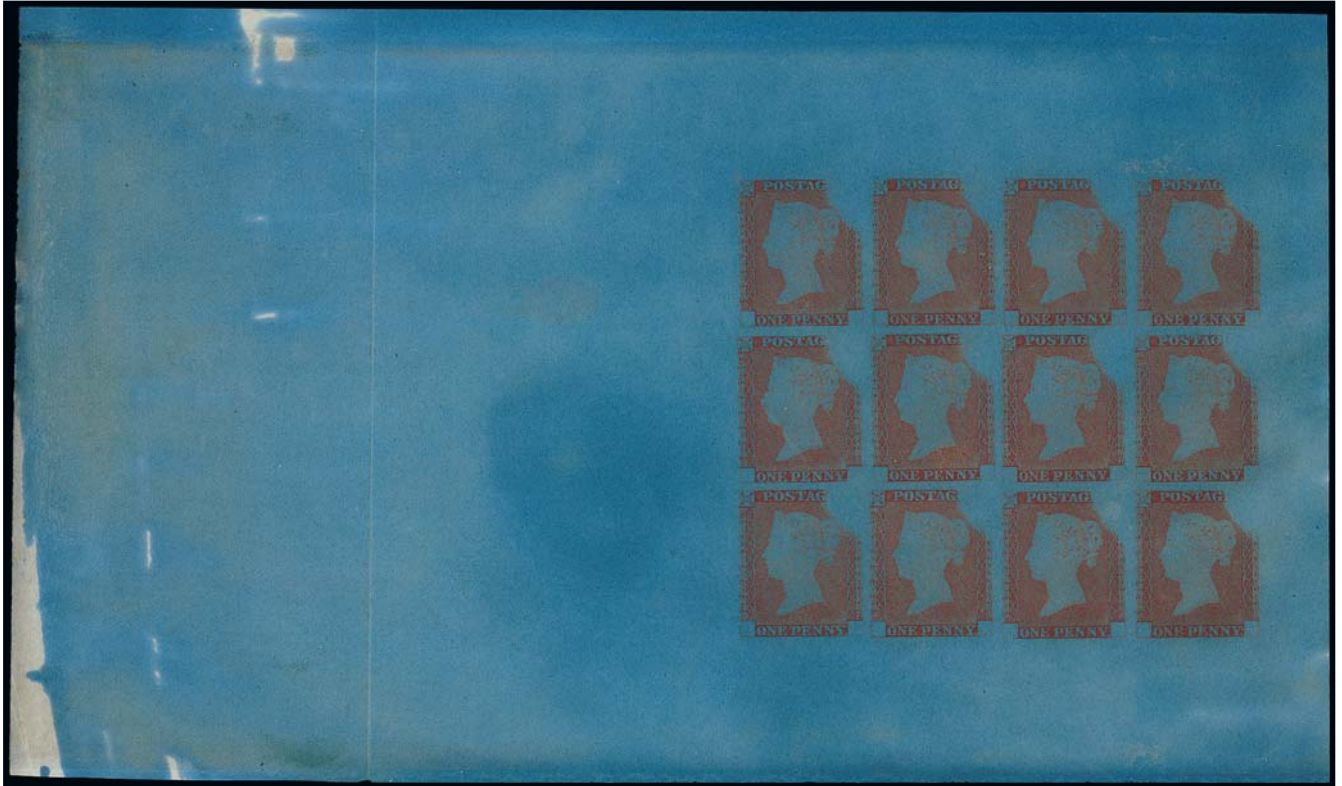
2207

x2207 ⑤ ⑥

State 3: Complete sheet of twelve (4x3) in black on thin white wove, unwatermarked paper; the ink mixed with Prussiate of Potash, therefore showing very strong ivory heads on the reverse, and the plate has been burnished. The upper margin with natural bend, the lower right stamp with slight wrinkle which is also likely natural. A rare trial. Spec. DP20C(a). Photo

£6,000-8,000

Notes: Rowse lists this proof as 19 August, 1840, “almost certainly the last attempt to make a fugitive black stamp”. Illustrated in Rowse, page 85.



2208

x2208 ⑤ ⑥

State 3: Complete sheet of twelve (4x3) in pale red-brown on thin white wove, unwatermarked paper which has been brushed with Prussiate of Potash, large sheet margin at left with had vertical fold well clear of the impressions; fine and rare. Spec. SP20c(a). Photo

£6,000-8,000

Notes: Rowse lists this sheet in the run of at least twenty-nine different reds and illustrates on page 47

Line Engraved Proofs and Essays - *contd.*



2209

x2209 ©

State 2/3: Complete sheet of twelve (4x3) in deep blue on thin wove paper, inscribed at foot by Edwin Hill "E. Colour plain", fine and a rare piece of remarkable colour. Photo

£6,000-8,000

Notes: Rowse notes this as one of thirteen colour variations in trial of the new 2d. ink sent by Bacon to Rowland Hill in early November 1840; none of which were found to be sufficiently fugitive, though Bacon believed this colour to be the best for printing. Illustrated in "Rainbow Trials", page 138



2210

x2210 ©

State 2/3: Complete sheet of twelve (4x3) in deep, dull blue on thin wove paper inscribed "K New Colour Nov. 20" in Bacon's hand; some hinges on reverse otherwise fine and a rare piece. Photo

£6,000-8,000

Notes: Rowse records this as one of a series of trials produced between 20-23 Nov. 1840 in a "Penultimate Effort to Find Ink for the 2d.". Illustrated in "Rainbow Trials", page 157

Line Engraved Proofs and Essays - *contd.*



2211

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| x2211 ⑥ | Horizontal pair from the lower right of the sheet in red-brown, printed on thickish paper, unusually showing papermaker's watermark "MOR". It is possible this is similar to the Perkin's Bacon common paper referred to by Rowse on page 148 | £1,500-2,000 |
| 2212 ⑥ | 1850 Prince Consort 1d. Essay, the finished design in brown, imperforate; part original gum, a little thinned, creased and a small tear, still of fine appearance. Specialised DP71(2), £2,000 | £150-200 |

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| x2213 | 1840 (December) No. 21 titled " <i>Instruction To Postmasters, Sub-Deputies, and Receivers</i> " announcing the introduction of Registration - " <i>On and after the 6th January next, a System of Registration will be adopted, which will be applicable to all descriptions of Letters without distinction, whether they Contain Coin or Articles of Value or not.</i> ". Folded in a few places though in good overall condition and scarce | £800-1,000 |
| 2214 | c.1840 large format notice titled " <i>Ocean Penny Postage.</i> ", printed by J. Unwin, Gresham Steam Press, 31, Buckersbury, London. The subheading reads " <i>By this product it is simply proposed that the single Service of merely transporting a Letter from any Port of the United Kingdom to any touch, shall be performed for ONE PENNY</i> " with 'mock-ups' of envelopes addressed " <i>To any Town in the United States</i> " with three 1d. labels titled " <i>U. States Inland</i> ", " <i>Ocean Transit</i> " and " <i>British Inland</i> "; " <i>To any Town in France.</i> " with 2d. label titled " <i>French Inland</i> " and two 1d. labels titled " <i>Ocean Transit</i> " and " <i>British Inland</i> "; and " <i>To any Town in any British Colony</i> " with three 1d. labels titled " <i>Colonial Inland</i> ", " <i>Ocean Transit</i> " and " <i>British Inland</i> ". Some wear along folds though generally well preserved and intact; a most important piece for the postal historian and highly visual. Framed (605x920mm.). Photo | £500-600 |
| 2215 | 1841 notice issued by E.S. Lees, Secretary of the G.P.O. at Edinburgh " <i>To all Postmasters, Sub-Postmasters, and Letter Receivers.</i> " announcing the issue of the new 1d. and 2d. stamps, in addition to stamped postal stationery envelopes; the notice printed over two sides, the left hand side bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown, lettered FA, clear margins, just touching at lower left corner, the right side with 1841 2d. blue with void corner trial from the upper right of the setting, both sides with 1d. pink stationery envelope overprinted "SPECIMEN" in red, one in the smaller size, the other larger. Complete with the original O.H.M.S. covering wrapper. Some splitting along folds otherwise fine. A rare and important notice, folding out well for display. Also unfolded 1d. pink lettersheet overprinted "SPECIMEN." with silk threads. Spec. PN8, £7,000. Photo | £1,200-1,500 |

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It is highly probable that several foreign countries would also be willing to reduce at once their inland charges, at least, on Letters crossing the Sea, to *One Penny*, if the British Post-Office would perform the Transit Service for the same amount. A bill has just been voted in France, reducing the postage on Letters circulating within the precincts of Paris to One Penny, preparatory to the extension of this low rate to the whole Empire. Thus, the whole charge on a single Letter, from any town in Great Britain to any town in France, would be also *Three pence*, should this reduction take place in that country. But if the French Inland Rate should remain as at present, then the whole charge on a Letter thus transmitted would be 4½d.; or, 1d. for the British Inland Rate, 1d. for the Sea Transit, and 2½d. for the French Inland Service.

2214 (detail)



2215 (detail)

Postal Notices - *contd.*

- 2216 1840-87, a small group including 1843 (14 Aug.) entire letter from Stirling to Bannockburn bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown, LK, 1867-80 3d., Plate 8 AC-BD block of four with wing margin at right, cancelled by Market Hill 05.07.72 d.s., 1867-83 5/- pale rose (2) and rose, 1883-84 white paper 2/6d. overprinted "SPECIMEN" (double), and issued with large part original, 5/- overprinted "SPECIMEN", 1887-92 4½d. green and carmine block of six (2x3) with interpanneau margins at left and foot, unmounted mint, and 1871 (18 April) envelope from Tavistock to Rome bearing 6d. without hyphen, Plate 9, readdressed to Napoli whereon Italian 30c. has been applied. A nice group £250-300
- 2217 ○ 1841-64, a predominantly line engraved, selection in a red stockbook, many hundreds, including 1841-53 imperf. 1d. (90+) including some multiples and usages with differing issues on piece, perf. "Stars" 1d. (450+), 2d. (36) with a huge range of numeral and duplex cancellations, 1846-79 1d. and 2d., many singles and multiples, 1870-74 1½d. A few covers and curiosities, some later issues; almost all used, mixed condition though an interesting group £500-600

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1840 ONE PENNY BLACK

Plate 1a

2218 ☒

AJ, close to large margins all round, a little roughly separated though with part sheet margin at top, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (21 May)" entire letter to Preston, readdressed to London. Some light marking to cover and faint filing fold which just crosses the adhesive at top, nevertheless a scarce May date

£250-300



2219

2219 △

CF-CG, **horizontal pair**, good to very large margins all round, tied to piece by two fine and upright **black** Maltese Cross cancellations, CF with small wrinkle at top right, otherwise fine. An exceptional pair, black Maltese Cross cancellations rare on this Plate. Photo

£800-1,000



2220



2222



2224

2220 ○

EC, bleuté paper, large to very large margins all round, **black** Maltese Cross cancellation. Exceptional. Photo

£350-400

2222 ○

EE (extended serif to lower-left E),, grey-black shade, very worn Plate, good to large balanced margins, red Maltese Cross cancellation; very fine and attractive. Photo

£200-250

2223 ☒

FE, close to large margins, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (29 May) entire letter from London to Cambridge, the face with "Pall Mall" and "Too Late" handstamps, the reverse with London and Cambridge d.s.; also QD, clear, balanced margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (24 July) entire letter from Gannow to Townley Hall, Burnley, the face with Burnley d.s. Both with strong to light plate wear, the former with some minor imperfections, the latter very fine

£300-350

2224 ○

GF, good to large margins all round, crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation in an orange-red shade which leaves the Queen's profile largely clear; very fine. Photo

£180-200

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 1a - contd.



2225



2226

- 2225 ☒ IJ, good to large margins all round, tied by well defined Maltese Cross in red to **1840 (23 May)** entire letter from Brighton to Halifax, the reverse with 'LS' Maltese Cross d.s. for 25.05. Very fine and a scarce May date, clearly dated in letter. Photo £400-500
- 2226 ☒ KL in a deep shade, good to large margins and tied by vermillion-red Maltese Cross and straight-line "Charing Cross" on local London envelope (wax seal excised) to Bedford Row and signed in the lower corner "Hill" (Commander in Chief of the British Army) the reverse bearing datestamp of 1840 (19 June). Attractive. Photo £200-250



2227



2228

- 2227 ☒ LK, clear to large margins, tied to entire letter from Wrexham to Oswestry by red Maltese cross, used on **30th. May 1840** with very clear 'WREXHAM' double-arc datestamp; a fine example used in the first month of issue. Photo £350-400
- 2228 ☒ PJ, grey-black shade showing moderate Plate wear, good to large margins all round, placed, contrary to Post Office instructions, near the centre of entire from Cambridge to London, **1840 (13 May)**, tied by a crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation, dated markings on reverse; filing fold clear of the adhesive, fine. A good May date cover from the second week of use. Specialised AS2tf, £3,250. Photo £250-300



2229



2230

2229 ☒

QC, grey-black shade (very worn impression), large to very large margins all round, tied by a crisp red Maltese Cross to entire to Arbroath with Leith Walk and Edinburgh datestamp of 11 July 1840 on the reverse; clean vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive. Rare and most appealing. Richter (1994) and Karl Louis (2008) Certificates. Photo

£600-800

2230 ☒

SE-SF, **horizontal pair** displaying a slightly worn impression, good to very large margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross cancellations to entire to Bewdly with TP/Temple alongside and dated marking of 19 May 1840 on the reverse; SF crossed by vertical filing fold and with small surface scrape behind the Queen's head. Attractive and scarce. Photo

£300-350



2231

2231 ○

SL, shifted transfer and no ray flaw, a slightly worn impression, large balanced margins, red Maltese Cross cancellation; fine. Photo

£180-200



2232

2232 ☒

TH, grey-black shade, displaying a worn impression, good to large margins all round, tied by a crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Oswestry with c.d.s. on 21 May 1840 across flap on the reverse; horizontal filing fold clear of the adhesive; attractive and scarce. Photo

£400-450

1840 One Penny Black - *contd.*

Plate 1b



2233



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| 2233 ○ | AD, intense black shade, large margins, much underinked Maltese Cross cancellation which varies between brown and white; an appealing stamp. Photo | £400-500 |
| 2234 △ | AL, worn impression, constant variety, diagonal line through "L" (late printing), clear to large margins all round, tied to piece by black Maltese Cross and with upright Yarmouth Norfk. c.d.s of 24 April 1841 alongside; the piece creased nor affecting the adhesive. Fine and attractive | £200-250 |
| 2235 ☒ | BA, good to large margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross in brighter shade to 1840 (28 Aug.) entire letter from Ripon to Manchester, the reverse with Ripon d.s. though no arrival d.s. Attractive | £200-250 |
| 2236 ☒ | BG, good to very large margins all round, tied to entire to Huddersfield by black Maltese Cross, Ripon and Huddersfield dated markings of 10 Aug. 1841 on the reverse, fine | £180-220 |
| 2237 ○ | BL recut corner letters, intense black shade, large margins, almost complete and crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation; superb. Photo | £400-500 |
| 2238 ☒ | CC, close to good margins all round, tie by well struck Maltese Cross in black 1841 (May) part envelope (sides trimmed) to Plymouth with "LANGPORT/140" mileage marking on face and Plymouth 13.05 arrival d.s. on reverse | £180-200 |
| 2239 ○ | CG, good to large margins, red double lined Maltese Cross cancellation; fine and attractive. Photo | £200-250 |



2240



2243

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| 2240 ○ | CH, intense black shade, large to very large margins all round, crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation in an orange-red shade; fine and attractive. Photo | £250-300 |
| 2241 ☒ | DA, good margins all round, cancelled by delicately struck Maltese Cross in brighter red shade, affixed to 1840 (June) entire letter locally addressed within London. Horizontal filing fold at foot though most attractive | £180-200 |
| 2242 ☒ | DB, good to large margins all round, tied by a red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Sheffield with orange <i>Holmfirth/Penny Post</i> at lower left and red Huddersfield c.d.s. of 10 Nov. 1840 on the reverse; attractive and scarce | £250-300 |
| 2243 ○ | DB (roller flaw), intense lack shade, red Maltese Cross cancellation in an orange shade, which leaves the Queen's profile clear; fine and attractive. Photo | £200-250 |



2243A



2244

- 2243A ☒ EC, clear margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross in orange shade to 1840 (16 Oct.) entire from Banff to Edinburgh, the face struck straight line “ABERCHERDER” in matching ink, the reverse with boxed Banff and Edinburgh d.s. Filing folds clear of the adhesive, fine and scarce. Photo £400-600
- 2244 ☒ EF, good to large margins, tied by a crisp red Maltese Cross in a vermilion shade to envelope addressed to London with Fareham datestamp of 20 Sept 1840 alongside, arrival c.d.s. on reverse; clean, uncreased and altogether stunning. Photo £500-600
- 2245 ○ FC, Plate 4: BE (on piece), GL, Plate 5: GA and Plate 6: KI, all with four margins and shades of red Maltese Cross cancellations; fine. An attractive group £600-700



2246



2248



2251

- 2246 ○ FF, mark in bottom serif of “E” of Penny, small to large margins all round, crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation; fine and attractive. Photo £180-200
- 2247 ☒ GJ, LH and MK, all tied by red Maltese Crosses to entire letters or envelopes: 1840 (30 June) entire letter to Sudbury; 1840 (2 Dec.) entire letter from Welshpool to Leicester, the adhesive in dark shade and the Cross in scarlet shade; and 1840 (3 Aug.) envelope from Lewes to Gloucestershire. Generally fine, with clear margins all round large and very fine in places £350-400
- 2248 ○ ID (re-entry), intense black shade, black Maltese Cross cancellation, good to huge margins, very fine. An exceptional example. Photo £200-250
- 2249 ☒ IG (recut side lines), large margins all round, showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at right, tied by red Maltese Cross in dark shade to 1840 (7 Dec.) entire letter to Brampton, on the reverse there is an unclear Haltwhistle c.d.s.; fine and most attractive £200-250
- 2250 ☒ KB, good to large margins all round, showing a sliver of the adjoining stamp at top, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (3 Oct.) entire letter from Oxford to Radley Hall near Offingdon, the reverse with Oxford d.s.; also TA, good to very large margins at left, tied by red Maltese Cross, leaving the Queen’s profile clear, to 1840 (4 Sept.) entire letter to Brighton, the reverse with coded ‘A’ d.s. A fine duo £250-300
- 2251 ○ LD, good to huge margins, light red Maltese Cross cancellation; some wrinkles. Attractive. Photo £150-180

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 1b - *contd.*



2252



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| 2252 ○ | LE, large margins, crisp, complete and practically upright red Maltese Cross cancellation. Quite superb. Photo | £500-600 |
| 2253 ○ | LH (on piece) and QF, each with small to good margins and red Maltese Cross cancellations; fine. Photo | £200-220 |
| 2254 ☒ | RH. good to very large margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter from Derry to Rothsay (Isle of Bute) dated 11 Aug. 1840; minor soiling but rare usage | £220-250 |



2255

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| 2255 ☒ | SB, good to enormous margins showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at top, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1841 (14 Jan.) entire letter from Liverpool to St. Helens, fine. Photo | £200-250 |
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2256

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| 2256 ○ | TB, part of sheet margin at foot and large margins other sides, light red Maltese Cross cancellation; pencilled signatures on the reverse, very fine and scarce. Photo | £400-500 |
| 2257 ☒ | TL, a slightly worn impression, margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter addressed to the Treasurer of the Sympathetic Society, Cardiff with red Newport c.d.s. of 30 Oct. 1840 on the reverse; clean and uncreased, fine | £200-250 |

Plate 2



2258

2258 ☒

AA, small to good margins all round, tied by an upright red Maltese Cross to entire with TP/Moorgate St. alongside and clear London datestamp of 14 May 1840 on the reverse; vertical filing folds, fine and a scarce May date cover. Photo

£350-400

2259 ☒

AC and AF tied by red Maltese Crosses to entires: 1840 (20 Dec.) to Ayr, and 1840 (3 Dec.) from Wellington Salop to Birmingham, both with dated markings on reverse; also AD tied by black Maltese Cross to 1841 (3 May) entire letter from Leven to Newburgh, the reverse with Leven d.s. and Newburgh boxed d.s. All with clear margins all round, the latter with large margins showing a small portion of the adjoining stamp at right. A fine trio

£250-300



2260



2261

2260 ☒

BE, good margins all round, tied by Maltese Cross in bright red shade to 1840 (13 July) entire from Beccles to Halesworth, the reverse with 13.07 Beccles d.s., a fine and striking cover. Photo

£200-250

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 2 - *contd.*



— 2260A —

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| 2260A ☒ | BJ, two examples tied to two separate entire letters, one by red Maltese Cross, the other by black Maltese Cross, the former dated 1840 (8 Oct.) from London to Bath, the latter dated 1841 (31 March) from Otley to Skipton. Both adhesives fine with very large to good margins all round and the crosses finely struck in both instances. Photo | £600-800 |
| 2261 ☒ | CE, small to good margins all round, tied by a red Maltese Cross in a pink shade, to mourning entire to Huddersfield, dated on the interior 21 Sept. 1840, Denbeigh datestamp on the reverse; light filing fold at foot well clear of the adhesive, fine. Photo
<i>Note: Rockoff and Jackson record a "bright crimson pink" Maltese Cross used in November 1840</i> | £250-300 |
| 2262 ☒ | ED, good to very large margins all round and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at top, tied by a crisp and practically upright red Maltese Cross cancellation to "Life Insurance Society" Gothic script printed entire to Old Broad Street, red boxed datestamp of 10 June 1840 on the reverse, folded to display "Notice of Renewal"; the adhesive defective at foot but good appearance and rare | £250-300 |
| 2263 ☒ | FE, small to good margins all round, tied by a crisp red Maltese Cross to entire (no lower flap) to Gloucester, fine Lombard St. Maltese Cross datestamp of 27 May 1840 on the reverse; fine. With Karl Louis Certificate (2008) stating "The stamp with a small paper pore or pinhole (prior to use)... An attractive "May-date" cover." | £250-300 |
| 2264 ☒ | FG, FK and HK, all tied by red Maltese Crosses: 1840 (1 July) entire from Manchester to Hathersage, 1840 (10 Aug.) entire letter from Maidstone to London and 1840 (3 July) entire letter from Liverpool to Oldham; also CL tied by black Maltese Cross to reduced entire used within London with "T.P./Cornhill" handstamp on face. All with clear margins all round, and Crosses good to fine | £350-400 |
| 2265 △ | GB, worn impression, good margins all round, tied to small piece by red Maltese Cross cancellation; fine and attractive | £200-220 |
| 2266 ☒ | GF, grey black shade. displaying a worn impression, good to large margins all round, tied by an upright red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Killearn with fine red Glasgow c.d.s. of 21 May 1840 on the reverse; the entire with some strengthened splits along the edges and the adhesive with wrinkle at top left; a fine May date cover | £400-500 |
| 2267 ☒ | IL, close to good margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (19 May) entire letter from 'Broad' (?) to Stourbridge, the face struck with " <i>Too Lates</i> " and indistinct collection d.s., the reverse with very clear 19.05.40 coded 'C' d.s. A good May date | £200-250 |



2268

2268 ☒

JF, good to large margins, tied by red Maltese Cross in light shade to 1840 (18 May) entire from Edinburgh to Dunfermline with Edinburgh c.d.s. of 18 May 1840 on the reverse; clean and a fine May date. R.P.S. Certificate (2005). Photo

£300-350



2269

2269 ☒

LG, **intense black**, tied by well struck red Maltese Cross to 1840 (21 Sept.) entire from London to Reigate, the face struck with "T.P./Lo Mitcham" stepped handstamp, the reverse with coded 'H' 21.09 d.s. R.P.S. Certificate (2022). Photo

£250-300

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 2 - *contd.*



2270

2270 ☒

NA, clear to large margins all round, tied by a clear and upright red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Ramsey, Douglas Isle of Man datestamp of 27 May 1840 on the reverse, fine. Exceptionally early use of a Penny Black on the Isle of Man, we can find no earlier. Photo

£800-1,000



2271

2271 ☒

NJ, large margins, tied by a fine red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire to Huddersfield with red script *Too Late* alongside, dated markings of 20 July 1840 on the reverse; clean and uncreased. Most appealing. Photo

£500-600



2272

2272 ☒

OD, large to very large margins all round and showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at foot, tied by a good orange Leith Maltese Cross to entire letter to Thurso, endorsed *Free* alongside and with blue and black datestamps of 30 May 1840 on the reverse; a trifle soiled and with vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive. Fine and rare. Photo

£450-500

Note: Rockoff and Jackson refer to two examples of the orange Cross used in May 1840

A Rare Registered Letter from Aberdeen



2273

2273 ☒

QB, close to large margins all round, tied by **Ruby Maltese Cross of Aberdeen** to 1841 (1 Feb.) entire letter from Aberdeen to Kettering, endorsed "**Registered Letter**", charged "1/-" and struck with boxed "PAID at ABERDEEN" and Edinburgh "PAID" 02.02.41 transit marking, the reverse with 01.02.41 boxed Aberdeen d.s. Registered 1d. black covers are of great rarity, and believed unique in combination with the rare ruby Maltese Cross of Aberdeen. Karl Louis Certificate (1999) and R.P.S. Certificate (1998). Photo

£6,000-8,000

LITERATURE:

Noted in *"The Encyclopaedia of The Maltese Cross"*, Vol. III, Pg. 407. One of only eleven recorded here for the year of 1841, and noted here as being "*one of 10 such 1d. black usages recorded by Karl Louis in 1999*".

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 2 - *contd.*



2274

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| 2274 ○ | RA, good to large margins and cancelled with both red Maltese cross and part town handstamp (23 May) in black , very rare with both cancellations. B.P.A. Certificate (1981). S.G. Specialised A1ya. Photo | £500-700 |
| 2275 ☒ | SE, a slightly worn impression, good to large margins, tied by a red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter from London to Ludlow dated 1 Sept. 1840; small faults, also Plate 10: MD, large margins all round, tied by unclear black Maltese Cross to entire from Brampton to Carlisle dated 25 April 1841; fine | £200-250 |
| 2276 ☒ | SG, attractive plate wear, good to very large margins, showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at left, just tied by crisp Maltese Cross in black to 1841 envelope from Dunster (?) to Edinburgh, the reverse flat showing very well preserved wax seal. Fine and appealing | £200-250 |
| 2277 ○ | SH, good to large margins, complete, central and upright red Maltese Cross cancellation, very fine. Plate 9: KC, good margins, black Maltese Cross, fine. Also unplated QK, good to large margins, tied by black Maltese Cross to entire to Lincolnshire with London datestamp of 25 Sept. 1840 (the period of experimental use of the black Cross), crossed by pressed filing fold | £250-300 |



2278



2279

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| 2278 ★ | TH, close to large margins all round with marginal inscription at foot reading " <i>HAND SIDE of the</i> ", unused without gum, the face has been cleaned leaving the impression a little pale, nevertheless a striking unused example. Behr and R.P.S. Certificates (2016, 2025). Photo | £600-800 |
| 2279 ★ | TI, good margins all round with sheet margin at foot showing part inscription reading " <i>Letter: In Wettin[g]</i> ", unused without gum, the face a little cleaned with some residual toning, nevertheless a striking unused example. Behr and R.P.S. Certificates (2016, 2025). Photo | £600-800 |



2281



2280



2282

Plate 3

- 2280 △ ED, slightly worn impression, small to good margins, tied to piece by complete and upright red Maltese Cross cancellation. Fine and highly appealing. Photo £200-250
- 2281 ○ TK, constant variety, 3mm. sheet margin at foot and good balanced margins other sides, red Maltese Cross in a pink shade; very fine and attractive. Photo £250-300

Plate 4

- 2282 ★ CJ, intense black shade, good to large margins all round, unused with small part original gum. Behr and R.P.S. Certificates (2016, 2025). Rare. Photo £400-600



2283

- 2283 ☒ EK, good to huge margins and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at top, tied by red Maltese Cross cancellation to 1840 (1 Sept.) entire from Dursley to Bath, readdressed to Worthing with red 01.09 despatch d.s on the reverse, and with Bath 02.09 d.s. (2 Sept.) and red manuscript "1" on face; scarce and attractive. Photo £200-250

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 4 - *contd.*



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2287

- 2284 ○ FA, mark over “GE” of Postage, part of sheet margin at left and close to good margins other sides, red Maltese Cross cancellation in a pinkish shade; fine. Photo £200-250
- 2285 ☒ GG, clear margins all round, affixed to lower left corner, contrary to regulations, and tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (12 Aug.) entire letter from Birmingham to “*Miss Atherstone*” in Regents Park, London; the letter written by Edwin Atherstone, poet, provides an account of his trip to visit his daughter, Mary Elizabeth who would publish a book on her father’s works. The reverse with superb “*MY HOPE*” *pink wafer seal*, *Birmingham and London d.s. Fine* £200-250
- 2286 ☒ IC, good margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (14 Sept.) entire letter from Greenock to Edinburgh, with dated markings on reverse; also SI, large to very large even margins, well tied by two strikes of orange-scarlet Maltese Cross to 1840 (4 July) entire from Ware to Baldock, the reverse with Ware c.d.s. in red. A very attractive duo £200-250
- 2287 ○ KB, a slightly worn impression, good to huge margins, practically complete and upright red Maltese Cross cancellation; very fine. Photo £200-220



2288

- 2288 ☒ KL, good margins on three sides and just touching the frame line at lower left, affixed to entire from Huddersfield to London sent on **31st. May 1840**, the last day of the first month of issue, cancelled by bright red Maltese cross and tied to entire by a few small indentations on and around the adhesive, fine. Brandon Certificate (2000). Photo £300-400



2289

2289 ☒

LA, intense black shade, small to large margins and showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at lower right, tied by a bold red Maltese Cross cancellation in a pinkish red shade (as noted in Rockoff & Jackson) to 1840 (3 Oct.) entire letter from Burton on Trent to Ashby-de la-Zouche with superb red script *Too Late* on the front and Burton on Trent c.d.s (3 Oct. 1840) on the reverse. Very fine and most attractive. Photo

£300-350



2290



2292

2290 ○

NK, near intense black shade, good to huge margins all round and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at right, red Maltese Cross cancellation which leaves to Queen's profile just about clear; fine. An outstanding example. Photo

£300-350

2291 ☒

PK (showing small vertical line in margin at right, not listed but photographed in Nissen), good to large margins all round, tied by slightly oily red Maltese Cross to entire to Huddersfield, Wakefield c.d.s. on 10 June 1840 on the reverse; filing fold clear of the adhesive

£150-200

2292 ○

RF, good to large margins all round, large part strike of the distinctive Stonehaven double lined Maltese Cross cancellation in red; fine and are. Specialised AS23uj, £4,500. Photo

£400-500

2293 ☒

TG, a delicate impression, small to good margins, tied by red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter from Attleborough to London dated 24 June 1840, with *New Buckingham/Penny Post* handstamp alongside; vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive, attractive

£150-200

1840 One Penny Black - *contd.*

Plate 5



2294



2295



2298

- 2294 ○ AI, 2½-3mm. sheet margin at top and good margins other sides, red Maltese Cross cancellation in an orange-red shade; fine and highly attractive. Photo £200-250
- 2295 ○ AL, from the upper right corner of the sheet with good to huge margins all round, practically complete red Maltese Cross cancellation; very fine. Photo £300-350
- 2296 ☒ BE, intense black shade, small to large margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Huddersfield and with Halifax c.d.s. of 6 Oct. 1840 on the reverse; fine £150-200
- 2297 ☒ HJ in a deep shade, good to large margins, tied to 1841 (22 April) diminutive wrapper addressed to Lady Elizabeth Buck of Hartland Abbey, being a bill from her milliner; also SG, clear margins all round, tied by crisply struck Maltese Cross in black to 1841 (15 Feb.) entire letter from London to Baltonsborough. A fine duo £200-250
- 2298 ★ KA, showing appealing plate wear, close to very large margins all round with part sheet margin at left reading "[t]he Address and tow[ards]", large part original gum, light crease along top and some surface soiling, otherwise fine and rare. Behr and R.P.S. Certificates (2016, 2025). Photo £800-1,000



2299

- 2299 ☒ LH, good to large margins, just shaving the outer frameline at top, tied by **red Maltese Cross** in very striking shade to entire letter from Billericay to Kensington, the reverse with Billericay and London d.s. A scarce late usage of the red ink which was known in use at Billericay until Christmas of 1841. Photo £400-500

LITERATURE:

Recorded in "Encyclopaedia of the Maltese Cross" Rockoff and Jackson, Vol. III, Pg. 394



2300

2300 ☒

MC, large margins all round and showing traces of two adjoining stamps, tied by black Maltese Cross and additionally tied by red *Sea Houses/Penny Post* to entire letter from Eastbourne addressed to a Ship Builder in Rye, dated markings of April 4 and 5 1841 on the reverse; the entire a little discoloured at places but extremely rare with the Penny Post marking cancelling the stamp. Photo

£1,000-1,200

2301 ☒

MD good to large margins, tied by crisp distinctive Welshpool Maltese Cross in red to 1840 (19 Nov.) locally addressed entire letter, with Welshpool d.s. on reverse; Also FJ, close to good margins all round, tied by two strikes of the Maltese Cross in black to 1840 (8 June) entire letter from Sudbury to Norwich, the reverse with Sudbury and Norwich d.s.; a very fine duo

£300-350



2302

2302 ○

NH, intense black shade, good balanced margins all round, deep brown Maltese Cross cancellation with shades of olive and bistre; fine. Photo

£200-250

2303 ☒

PH, double letter "H", close to large margins, tied by a red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to London, on reverse Whitwell u.d.c. and York c.d.s. of 16 July 1840; fine. R.P.S. (1981) and Karl Louis (2010) Certificates

£250-300

2304 ☒

PH, close to good margins all round, small fault at lower right corner, tied by black Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter with *Missent/to/Bristol* and Winslow c.d.s. of 2 April 1841 on the front, Yealampton u.d.c. on the reverse; flap neatly repaired and a little stained. Interesting contents. Scarce

£100-150

1840 One Penny Black - *contd.*

Plate 6



2305



2307

- 2305 ☒ AB, good margins all round, tied by red Maltese Cross with additional pen cross cancellation to 1840 (13 Nov.) entire letter from Hoole to Banbury, redirected to Leamington where on the entire has been marked "1" in same ink as pen cross, with Banbury and Chester d.s. Fine and most unusual. B.P.A. Certificate (2022). Photo £200-250



2306

- 2306 ○ AF, part of sheet margin at top and good to large margins other sides, red Maltese Cross cancellation which leaves the Queen's profile untouched; superb. Photo £250-300
- 2307 ☒ BJ, greyish black shade, clear to good margins, tied by a wonderful crisp black Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Manchester, dated marking of 12 Feb. 1841 on the reverse (third day of official usage of the black Cross); fine. Photo £400-500
- 2308 ☒ DJ tied by black Maltese Cross to 1841 (18 Feb.) entire letter to Bromyard; also LG tied by black Maltese Cross to 1840 (29 Sept.) entire letter to London. Both with clear margins all round, the former tied by very well struck Cross. Fine £200-250
- 2309 ☒ EF, greyish black shade, good to large margins all round, tied by a fine black Maltese Cross cancellation to small mourning envelope to Manchester with *Overseal/Penny Post* handstamp and Ashby de la Zouch c.d.s. of 2 April 1841 alongside. Also entire letter to Ashby de la Zouch franked 1841-53 1d. Plate 68; HH, with "30" barred oval cancellation and *Overseal* (Penny Post removed) and c.d.s. of 20 Oct. 1845 alongside. A fine pair. Each with Eichele Certificate (2011) £500-600
- 2310 ☒ EH, small to huge margins and showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at top, tied by a red Maltese Cross, which leaves the Queen's profile completely untouched, to entire to Sleaford with dated marking of 21 Oct. 1840 on the reverse; light and clean vertical filing folds, well clear of the adhesive. Fine and most attractive £250-300



2311

- 2311 ☒ EJ, good margins, just touching at foot, tied by wonderfully clear **distinctive Maltese Cross of Stonehaven in red** to 1841 (8 Feb.) entire letter (side flaps cut) to Aberdeen, the reverse with Stonehaven boxed d.s. Fine and rare. B.P.A. and R.P.S. Certificates (1979, 1997). Photo £1,500-1,800
- PROVENANCE:
Shaïda, February 1992
Brian Reeve, October 1993
Spink, January, 2019
- LITERATURE:
Noted in "*The Encyclopaedia of the Maltese Cross*", Vol. II, Pg. 259
- x2312 ☒ FI, cut into, used on 1841 (Jan 24) 'Walsall Letter Bag' anti-corn law folded pamphlet, cancelled by red Maltese Cross and originally sealed by pink 'Joan Gadsby' wafer, 'Jan 24 1841' c.d.s on reverse, folding marks clear of the adhesive and some soiling, nevertheless a very rare newspaper usage. B.P.A. (1994) and R.P.S. (1998) Certificates £600-800
- 2313 ☒ FJ, good to large margins all round, showing a sliver of the adjoining stamp at left, tied by fine Maltese Cross in red to 1840 (24 Nov.), entire letter to Dolgetley, the face with **blue** Barmout u.d.c. alongside; also TH, tight to large margins, tied by Maltese Cross in paler red to 1840 (4 Sept.) entire letter to Wolverhampton. A fine duo £200-250
- 2314 ☒ IF, clear to huge margins all round and showing a good portion of the adjoining stamp at top, tied by a red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire to Stoke upon Trent, on reverse Rugely c.d.s. and another strike of the Maltese Cross; vertical filing fold, fine £250-300
- 2315 ☒ HJ, large margins, tied by black Maltese Cross cancellation to 1840 (14 Dec.) entire letter to Holborn, with superb 14 Dec. 1840 datestamp on reverse, and with red "Sth. Audley S SO" on face; clean filing fold at foot, fine and scarce. Used during the experimental period of usage of the black Cross £200-250
- 2316 ☒ IJ, small to good margins all round, tied by a crisp red Maltese Cross cancellation to 1840 (28 July) entire letter to Loughborough; light central vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive. Fine and appealing £200-250

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 6 - *contd.*



2317



2318

2317 ○

JC, good to huge margins, red Maltese Cross cancellation; light diagonal crease at lower left. Exceptional. Photo

£150-200



2317A



2319

2317A ☒

NE, clear margins all round, tied by **blood red** Maltese Cross of Halesworth to 1840 (11 Aug.) entire letter to Saxmundham, the face with superb Halesworth d.s. in matching ink. Filing fold clear of the adhesive. Very fine and scarce. Photo

£500-600

2318 ★

OH, good to very large margins all round, unused with part gum that is most likely not original, some soiling in margins otherwise of good appearance with large margins. Behr and R.P.S. Certificates (2016, 2025). Photo

£500-600

2319 ☒

TK, close to very large margins, tied by red Maltese Cross and straight line "Charing Cross St." handstamp to reduced entire to Blackfriars. Fine and appealing. Photo

£150-200

Plate 7



2320



2321

- x2320 ○ AD, from the top of the sheet showing part inscription “...heet. Plate the L...”, good margins at right and foot, though deftly remargined at left, nevertheless of good appearance. Photo £200-400
- 2321 ○ CL, experimental thin paper, part of sheet margin at right and good to large margins other sides, red Maltese Cross cancellation in an orange-pink shade which leaves the Queen’s profile completely untouched. Spectacular. Photo £350-400
- 2322 ☒ HH, good to very large margins, showing portions of the adjoining stamps at left and right, tied by superb, upright Maltese Cross in black to 1841 (9 March) entire letter sent locally within Edinburgh with 09.03.41 d.s. on reverse; also OG, intense black shade, good to large margins all round, tied by fine black Maltese Cross to 1841 (20 March) entire (no side flaps) to Scotland St., 20.03 d.s. on the reverse; vertical filing folds clear of the adhesive. A fine duo. £300-400



2323

- 2323 ☒ HI (stage 1 ‘O’ flaw), FI (stage 2 ‘O’ flaw), clear margins all round, the former just shaved at lower right, affixed overlapping and tied by red Maltese Crosses to 1840 (16 Nov.) entire letter written from Boulogne Sur Mer, France, posted in St. Albans to London, the reverse with St. Albans and London d.s. R.P.S. Certificate (1991). Fine and scarce. Photo £300-400

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 7 - *contd.*



2324

2324 ★

JA, from the left of the sheet with sheet margin including that of the upper stamp, reading “...ards the *RIGHT HAND SIDE* of the Letter”, small scissor cut between stamp and margin, gum disturbed by light bend and natural paper exclusion, though unused and of fine appearance. Behr Certificate (2016). B.P.A. Certificate (2025). Photo

£1,500-2,000

Entire Letter Written by the Duke of Wellington



2325

2325 ☒

1840 (15 Oct.) entire letter written and signed by the **Duke of Wellington** when he was Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports and posted at Walmer, addressed to R.H. Jenkinson, Lieutenant-Governor of Dover Castle, and received at Dover the same day, bearing OG (faults) tied by red Maltese Cross, Dover and Walmer c.d.s.'s alongside; a very rare stamped letter written and signed by Wellington. Photo

£600-800



2326



2328

- x2326 ☒ OK-OL **horizontal pair**, clear to large margins tied to entire from Norwich to Wymondham by red Maltese cross cancellations, manuscript *'Missent to Larlingford'* manuscript at upper left and with *'Too Late'* handstamp on reverse; fine and rare. B.P.A. Certificate (1998). Photo £200-300
- 2327 ☒ RF, close to good margins, tied by London "Broken Points" Maltese Cross cancellation to entire to Lincoln Inns Fields, dated 11 Feb. 1841 with "T.P./Old Broad St." alongside, datestamp on reverse; the entire folded slightly out of shape to improve appearance £220-250
- 2328 ☒ SF, large to huge margins and showing portions of adjoining stamps at top and left, tied by upright and central red Maltese Cross to entire to Huddersfield, Greys-Inn and red script *Too Late* alongside, dated marking of 4 Oct. 1840 on reverse; filing fold well clear of the adhesive. Photo £300-350



2329

- 2329 ★ TI-TK **strip of three** in a good shade of black, with large part lower margin showing imprint, other margins small to very large, with full original gum; four vertical creases, two are quite heavy causing some splitting of the paper, a horizontal crease in the lower margin. A spectacular strip of great visual appeal. R.P.S. Certificate (2011). Photo £4,000-5,000

1840 One Penny Black - *contd.*

Plate 8

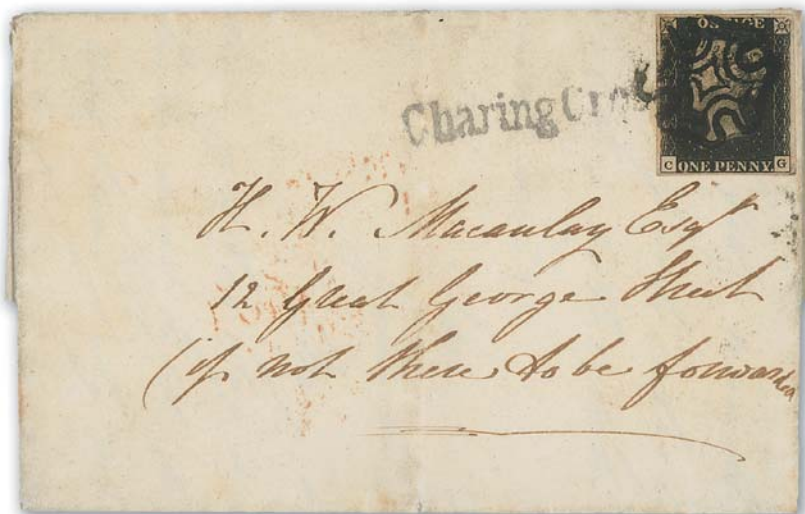


2330

2330 ☒

BH, clear margins all round, tied by black Maltese Cross to 1841 (12 April) entire letter from Inverness to Buckie with endorsement at top of address panel reading "Missent from Fochabers to Banff", the adhesive seemingly affixed and tied over this endorsement. The reverse with Inverness, Banff and Buckie boxed d.s. Filing folds clear of the adhesive, fine and unusual. Photo

£250-300



2331

2331 ☒

CG, close to good margins, tied by a crisp black Maltese Cross cancellation and "Charing Cross" to London local mourning entire with clear red datestamp of 10 Feb. 1841 on the reverse; vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive. Photo

£1,000-1,200

Note: Internal London usage of the first day of use of the black Maltese Cross on letters used outside the Metropolis

- 2332 ☒ FA, good margins all round, tied by clear Maltese Cross in black to 1841 (3 March) entire from Dumfries to Kirkcudbright with boxed Dumfries d.s. on reverse; FL, clear margins all round, tied by black Maltese Cross to 1841 (March) envelope from London to Cirencester; and TK, part of sheet margin at foot and small to large margins other sides, tied by red Maltese Cross to small 1840 (Nov.) entire (no side flaps) with blue Ambleside 04.11 d.s. on the reverse. Generally fine and a good trio, the latter especially fine £400-600



2333

- 2333 ☒ FF, good margins all round, just shaving at lower left, tied by very clear **double lined Stonehaven Maltese Cross** to 1841 (14 Jan.) entire from Stonehaven to Edinburgh, the reverse with boxed Stonehaven and Edinburgh d.s. Some light overall foxing, nevertheless a good example of this difficult cross. R.P.S. Certificate (1978). Spec. AS49uj, £18,000. Photo
 PROVENANCE:
 Robson Lowe, April 1978
 Philips, April 1988
 LITERATURE: Noted in "*The Encyclopaedia of The Maltese Cross*", Vol. II, Pg. 259, illustrated on Pg. 261 £1,000-1,500
- 2334 ☒ JD, small to good margins all round, tied by black Maltese Cross to mourning entire to Huddersfield, dated markings of May 13 and 14 1841 on reverse; filing fold well clear of the adhesive. Attractive £150-200
- 2335 △ MF, intense black shade, small to large margins, tied to piece by a red Maltese Cross in a magenta shade and with Preston c.d.s. of Jan. 1841 alongside; fine £300-350
- 2336 ☒ NJ, small to close margins, tied by black Maltese Cross to entire letter to Cardiff dated 16 April 1841 with superb Cowbridge c.d.s. on the reverse; clean horizontal filing fold, fine £150-200
- x2337 △ QI, good to very large margins all round, tied by a black Maltese Cross cancellation to small piece, very fine. Matched in red by a sound single £150-200

1840 One Penny Black, Plate 8 - *contd.*



2338

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| 2338 ☒ | QH, good to large margins, tied by superb upright black Maltese Cross on entire from Edinburgh to Aberdeen dated 3 March 1841, most attractive. Photo | £200-250 |
| 2339 ☒ | FF, clear margins all round, cancelled by red Maltese Cross and affixed to 1841 (22 Jan.) turned letter initially addressed to Aberdeen, turned and addressed to Stonehaven and franked with SI, clear margins all round, just tied by red Maltese Cross, this panel endorsed " <i>prepaid</i> ", the reverse with Aberdeen boxed d.s. Some folds, as to be expected, one just crossing SI, otherwise fine | £400-600 |
| 2340 ☒ | TE, good to very large margins all round, tied by a fine red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire to Ludlow, endorsed <i>Free</i> at upper left and with T.P./Ludgate St. alongside, on reverse fine intact black wax Reindeer and Lion seal; fine | £300-350 |



2341

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| 2341 ⑧ | TG imperforate imprimatur , close to large margins all round, a remarkably fresh impression and full, rich colour. Rare, there being only twenty-three possible examples from this plate, many of which are now in institutional collections. Photo | £5,000-6,000 |
| | PROVENANCE:
'Verus' | |

Plate 9



2342



2344

2342 ☒

AK, striking **intense black shade**, good to very large margins with part sheet margin at top, tied by black Maltese Cross, leaving the Queen's profile clear, to 1841 (8 April) entire letter from Leominster to Ludlow, the reverse with Leominster d.s. Very fine and a most attractive example from this scarce plate. Photo

£250-300



2343



2345

2343 ★

CF in a deeper shade, small to large even margins, part original gum. Good appearance. Photo

£1,000-1,500

2344 ☒

HJ, IK, margins are good to large (IK touching N.E. corner) on 1841 (17 Mar.) wrapper to Charminster, Dorset "*to be delivered without delay*", the reverse with Ilchester despatch and Dorchester arrival c.d.s. A delightful 1 ounce rate cover which contained an estimate for arches of different spans. Photo

£200-250

2345 ○

IC, good to very large margins, large part of Manchester distinctive "Fishtail" Maltese Cross cancellation; fine. Photo

£200-250

2346 ☒

QK, intense black shade, good to large margins all round, tied by fine **red** Maltese Cross cancellation to entire to London with Waltham c.d.s. of 31 Jan. 1841 on the reverse; filing folds well clear of the adhesive, fine

£250-300

1840 One Penny Black - *contd.*

Plate 10



2347

2347 ☒

AE-AF horizontal pair, close to large margins all round, **tied by red Maltese Crosses** to 1841 (8 Feb.) entire letter from Newcastle to Durham, the reverse with blue Newcastle-Upon-Tyne d.s. and discreet handstamp "DR.KNOPKE". Rare cancelled in red. Spec. £3,000 for singles off cover. Photo

£1,000-1,500



2348

2348 ○

BG, intense black shade, good balanced margins all round, **red Maltese Cross** cancellation which leaves the Queen's profile largely clear; fine. Photo

£350-400



2348A

2348A ☒

CC, clear margins all round, just touching at upper left, just tied by black Maltese Cross to 1841 (17 March) entire letter from Eye to Halesworth, the superb Eye d.s. on reverse. Fine and scarce. R.P.S. Certificate (2011). Photo

£350-400



2349



2350

2349 ☒

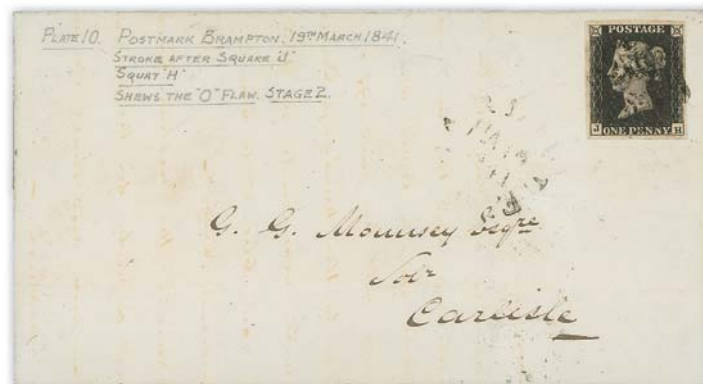
DG, large to huge margins and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at right, tied by a fine black Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to London, Mitcham c.d.s. of 24 Feb. 1841 on the reverse; clean vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive, fine and an exceptional Plate 10 cover. Rare in this condition. Photo

£1,000-1,200

2350 ☒

EC, small to huge margins and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at foot, tied by a red Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Huddersfield, dated marking of 5 Feb. 1841 on the reverse, filing fold at foot; fine. The red cancellation on a Plate 10 cover is rare. Photo

£600-700



2351

2351 ☒

JH, large balanced margins, tied by black Maltese Cross to entire to Carlisle with Brampton c.d.s. of 19 March 1841 across the flap on the reverse; clean horizontal filing fold well clear of the adhesive; fine and quite exceptional. Photo

£500-600

PROVENANCE:
Lockwood Collection,
Robson Lowe. Feb. 1966.



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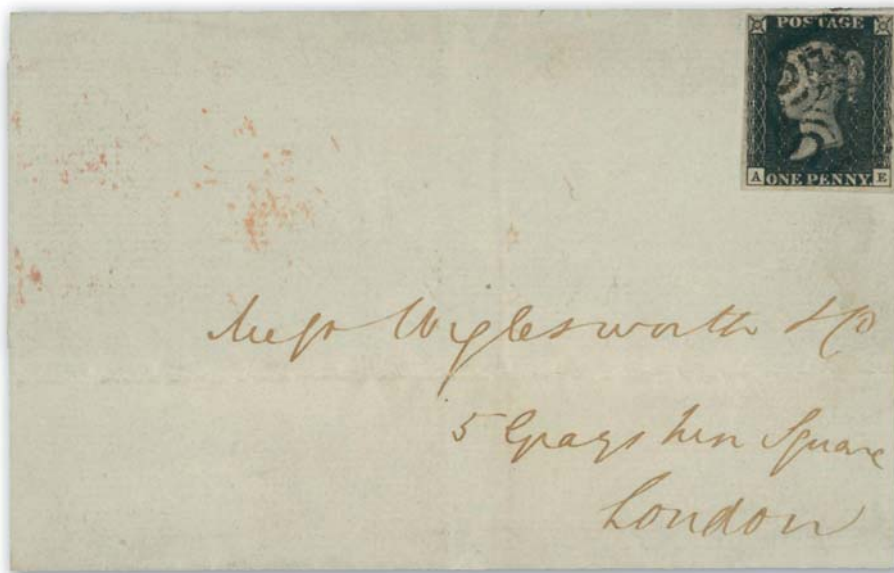
2352 ○

RK, Basal shift and long tailed "R", good to large margins, upright black Maltese Cross cancellation; fine and exceptional. Photo

£300-350

1840 One Penny Black - *contd.*

Plate 11



2352A

2352A ☒

AE, clear margins all round, tied by **black** Maltese Cross to 1841 (3 April) entire from Halifax to London, the reverse with London and Halifax d.s. Fine and rare. B.P.A. Certificate (1973). Photo

£2,500-3,000



2352B

2352B ○

TG, good margins all round, cancelled by well struck Maltese Cross in black, very fine and rare. R.P.S. Certificate (1981. Photo)

£2,500-3,000



2353

2353 ☒

TG, good to large margins affixed and tied to 1841 (18 Mar.) entire (with contents) from Wolverhampton to Sheffield by black Maltese cross, 'WOLVERHAMPTON' and 'SHEFFIELD' double-arc datestamps on reverse; fine and rare. Brandon Certificate (2007). Photo

£1,500-2,500

Mixed Plates

2354 ○

Selection, comprising Plate 2: RC, Plate 5: TF, Plate 6 DG, IJ, Plate 8: AJ, also 1840 2d. Plate 1: DB, all with margins all round and red Maltese Cross cancellations, good to fine (6)

£500-600

Unplated

x2355 ○

Seven examples, all cancelled in black, margins all round; mixed condition

£300-400

x2356 ○

Ten examples, all cancelled in red, margins all round; mixed condition

£400-600

x2357 ○

Ten examples, all cancelled in red, margins all round; mixed condition

£400-500

x2358 ○

Eleven examples, all cancelled in red, margins all round; mixed condition

£400-500

x2359 ○

Thirteen examples, mostly cancelled in red, 3-4 margins, mixed condition

£400-500

1840 TWO PENCE BLUE

Plate 1

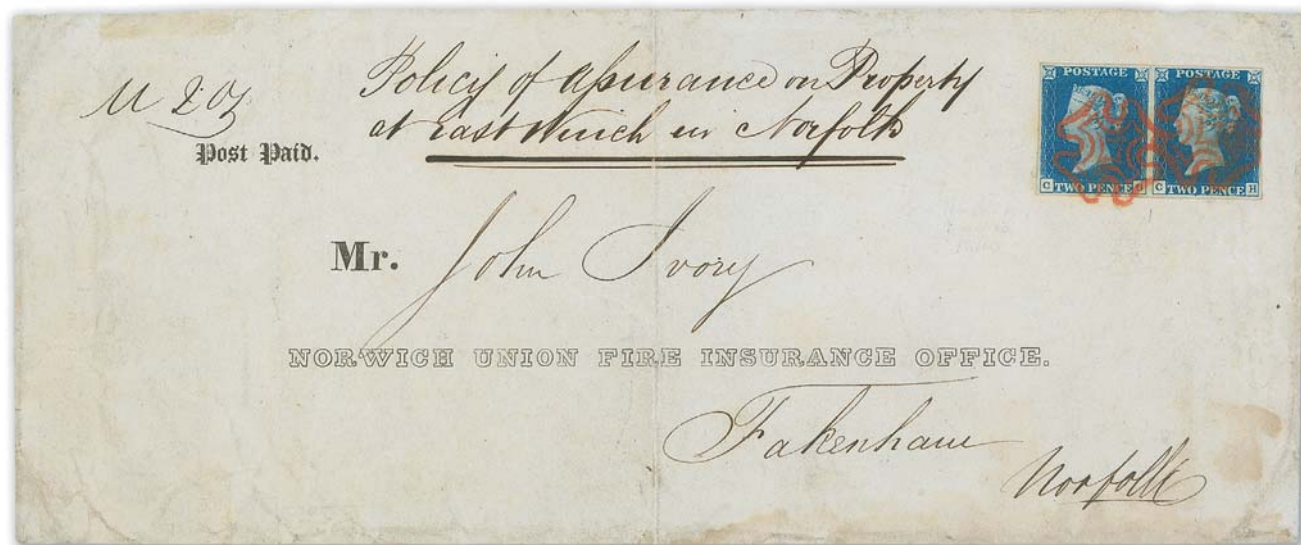


2360

2360 ☒

CB and CH, good to large margins all round, tied by fine orange-red Maltese Cross cancellations to long letter to Edinburgh, Perth c.d.s. of 13 July 1840 on the reverse; small faults but a most attractive entire. Photo

£800-1,000



2361

2361 ☒

CG-GH horizontal pair, wonderful clear margins all round, tied by superbly struck Maltese Crosses in red to 1840 (15 May) printed "Post Paid. Norwich Union Fire Insurance Office." envelope sent from Norwich to Fakenham, the reverse with Norwich 15.04.40 d.s. Envelope with some foxing commensurate with age and vertical fold well clear of the adhesives. B.P.A. Certificate (1993). A beautiful pair and usage, and a rare early date. Photo

£8,000-10,000

PROVENANCE:
Durham "Mayflower"

LITERATURE:
Illustrated in "May Dates", Mike Jackson, Pg. 142-143



2362

2362 △

DB, good to large margins tied to piece by complete red Maltese Cross cancellation; most attractive. Photo

£300-350



2363

x2363 ☒

FE-FI, **horizontal strip of five** and FJ-FK **horizontal pair** applied over FI, tied by red Maltese Crosses to 1840 (24 Nov.) entire letter from Milnthorpe to Dijon, France; the face endorsed "Paid to Dover" with "Newton/Penny Post" handstamp in black on despatch with Calais 27.11 d.s. in red, additionally tying the pair and manuscript charge "18" (dZcimes) additionally tying the strip of five; the reverse with Milnthorpe town 24.11 d.s., London transit 25.11 in red, Calais 27.11 in blue and Dijon 29.11 in black with additional boxed "NO.1". Letter sheet with minor foxing, expertly rejoined or reinforced along certain folds with vertical filing fold affecting only FG, part contents not present though a truly remarkable usage of great significance. Photo.

£5,500-6,000

PROVENANCE:

Corinphila, 2016
Soler y Llach, 1993
Stanley Gibbons Rarity Sale, 1978
H. R. Harmer, London, 1964

LITERATURE:

Appeared in the London Philatelist, May 1997

1840 Two Pence Blue, Plate 1 - *contd.*



2364

2364 ○

GA, part of sheet margin at left and large to very large margins other sides and showing extraordinary Plate wear; black Maltese Cross cancellation; fine. A truly remarkable example. Photo

£500-600

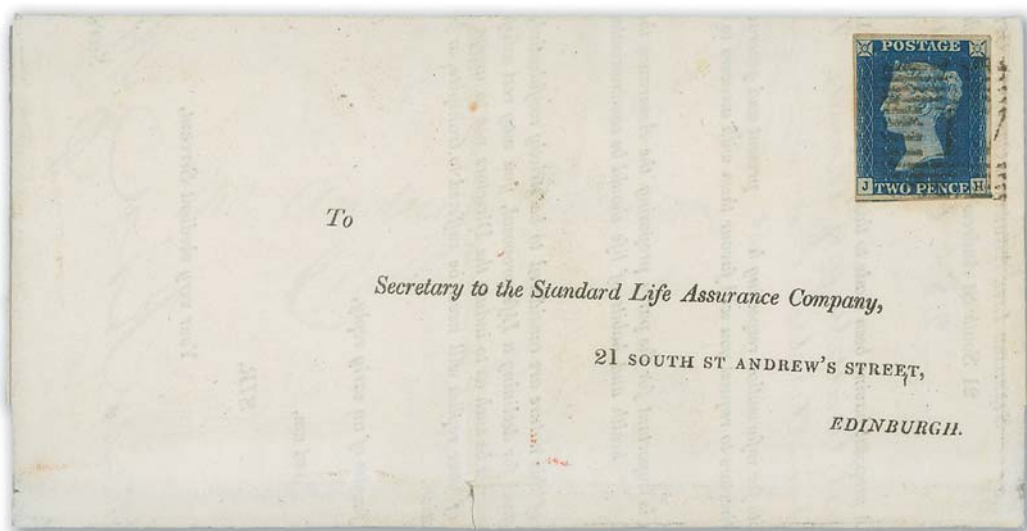


2365

2365 ○

HA, part of sheet margin and inscription "In Wetting the.." at left, and good to very large margins other sides showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at right, fine red Maltese Cross cancellation; fold in the margin through the vertical watermark line. An exceptional example. Signed Sismondo in the margin and with B.P.A. Certificate (2004). Photo

£1,800-2,000



2366

2366 ☒

JH, clear to large margins all round, tied by 1844-type '1' barred numeral to 1844 (6 Nov.) printed entire letter from Aberdeen to Edinburgh; the reverse with boxed Aberdeen and Edinburgh d.s. Filing fold clear of the adhesive, some light foxing otherwise fine and a scarce late usage. Spec. £5,500. Photo

£600-800



2367

2367 ☒

KL-LL vertical pair, touched along right and lower left, clear margins elsewhere, tied by very crisply struck 1844-type '104' barred numeral to 1844 (16 Nov.) entire letter from Dornoch to Edinburgh, the face with boxed Dornoch d.s., the reverse with Edinburgh arrival d.s., folds clear of the adhesive, fine appearance and a scarce late usage from the Highlands. Spec. £5,500. Photo

£800-1,000



2367A

2367A ☒

LA, good to very large margins at left, tied by red Maltese Cross to 1840 (9 July) entire letter from Greenock to Edinburgh, the reverse with Greenock and Edinburgh d.s. Fine and attractive. Photo

£1,200-1,500

1840 Two Pence Blue, Plate 1 - *contd.*



2368

2368 ☒

LL, clear to good margins, tied by red Maltese Cross to long entire letter to Wymondhan with superb Lynn c.d.s. of 31 Dec. 1840 alongside; most attractive. Photo

£250-300



2369

2369 ○

NH-NK, **horizontal strip of four**, close to large margins all round, red Maltese Cross cancellations and NI with black manuscript stroke, vivid colour. A rare multiple. Photo

£700-800

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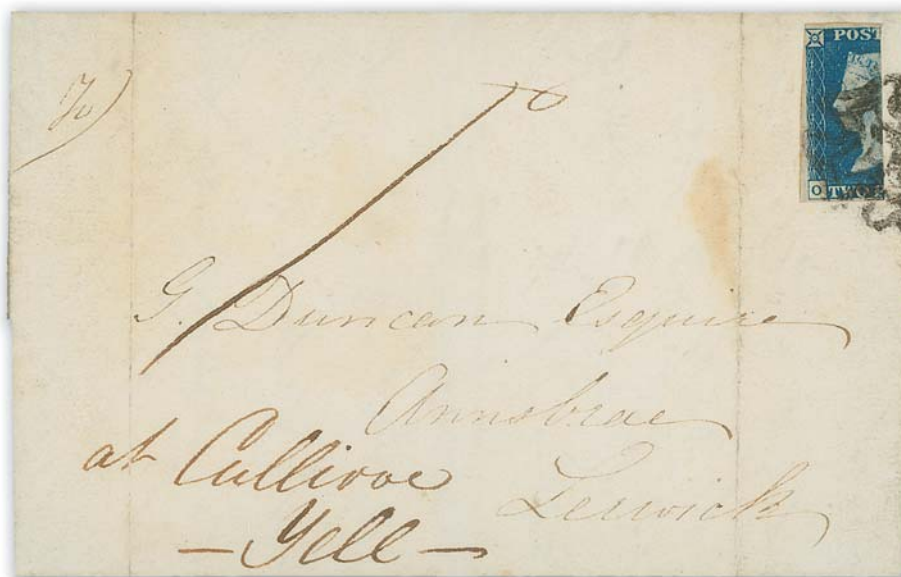
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2370

2370 ✉

1842 (28 March) entire letter from West Sandwick to Annsbrae, Lerwick bearing vertically bisected, left half lettered O[?], tied by black Maltese Cross, on receipt in Annsbrae, the cover was re-addressed to Cullivoe on Yell, with a further manuscript "1d." charge added - these both in the same, separate hand to the original sender. Two vertical folds well clear of the adhesive, otherwise fine and a remarkable rarity of exhibition calibre. B.P.A Certificate (1964), signed by Robson Lowe. Photo

£20,000-25,000

Notes: Rockoff and Jackson record only seven examples of the 2d. bisect, in use between 27 March, 1841 and 28 March 1842 which, it is believed, were the result of a shortage of the 1d. in particular locations. Robson Lowe first reported the discovery of three such bisects in the January 1937 issue of the London Philatelist: "It is the 2d. blue 1840 bisected and used as 1d. Three copies have been discovered all used on large dated pieces on correspondence between Lincoln and Hull ... there was no official authorisation for the bisection of stamps, but the use of these bisects over so long a period as ten months proves conclusively that the postal authorities at Lincoln were quite willing to accept them. When Lowe came to auction them, he described them as comparable in rarity to the "U.S. 1847 10c. bisected, of which some seven copies are know." This example was a later discovery, though Robson Lowe has signed the signature which accompanies the lot.

PROVENANCE:

H.O. Fraser,
Spink, 7 November, where it sold for GBP £59,800
Harmers, January 1965

1840 Two Pence Blue, Plate 1 - *contd.*



2371



2371A

- 2371 ☒ OD, large but slightly uneven margins, tied by black Irish "187" of Dundalk which leaves the Queen's profile practically clear, to envelope addressed to Taunton, dated markings of May 1846 on reverse; late use from Ireland and most attractive. B.P.A. Certificate (2001) stating ".... adhesive lifted and replaced, is genuine." Photo £400-600
- 2371A ☒ SC, a bright shade, good to large margins all round, placed diagonally and cancelled by a very fine upright Maltese Cross on long entire letter to Norwich, dated markings of July 9 and 10 1840 on the reverse; vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive; fine and a stunning colour contrast. Photo £800-1,000



2372



2373

- 2372 ☒ TK-TL, **horizontal pair**, TL just touched, otherwise close to good margins, tied by two good red Maltese Cross cancellations, leaving TK with the Queen's profile clear, to long entire letter to Preston with London datestamp of 10 June 1840 on the reverse; clean filing folds clear of the adhesives; attractive and scarce. Photo £350-400

Plate 2

- 2373 ☒ AF and ID, small to good margins all round, tied by black Maltese Cross cancellations to long entire letter from Dublin to Clonmel, dated markings of Nov. 15 and 16 1841 on the reverse; fine usage within Ireland. Photo £550-600



2374



2376

- 2374 ○ FF, deep full blue shade, light red Maltese Cross cancellation which leaves to Queen's. Photo £400-500
- 2375 ☒ IB-IC, **horizontal pair** in a delicate shade, IC just touched at top, otherwise clear to good margins other sides, tied by unclear black Maltese Cross cancellations (leaving IB with the Queen's profile clear) to entire letter to Ellesmere, dated markings of Shrewsbury (5 Oct. 1843) and Ellesmere on reverse, IC crossed by vertical filing fold £300-350
- x2376 ○ MH, good to large margins all round, showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at top, clearly cancelled by superb '12' within Maltese Cross. Very fine and a huge rarity. R.P.S. Certificate (1982). Spec. DS8wk, £14,000. Photo £1,000-1,500



2377

- 2377 ☒ NG-NI **horizontal strip of three** in deep shade, very large to close margins showing portions of the adjoining stamps at left and foot of the left stamp, just touched at far right, **tied by red Maltese Crosses** to 1840 (4 Dec.) entire letter (truncated) from London to Edinburgh. Of very fine appearing and a rare combination, very fine and rare. Photo £800-1,000



2378

- 2378 ○ QI-QK, **horizontal strip of three**, clear to large margins all round, red Maltese Cross cancellations in an orange-red shade; some minor wrinkles; fine. A rare strip and very striking. Photo £800-1,000
- 2380 ☒ SD-SH **horizontal strip of four** (SD shifted transfer) in blue, close to very large margins and just tied on 1842 (28 Sept.) wrapper (refolded) to Wymondham by watery strikes of a black Maltese Cross, Derham c.d.s. on the reverse; vertical folding creases, one running through SG. A good franking £600-800

1841-53 ONE PENNY RED-BROWN

- 2381 Framed page dated 1841 bearing six 1841-53 1d. red-brown used (mixed condition) mounted above a poem on the subject of stamps believed to have been written by Albert Smith (1816-1860, English physician, author and mountaineer), the foot with 1d. pink postal stationery cut out. The reverse of the frame shows three labels: The Stamp Exhibition Dorland Hill, 1936, where it was exhibited, a manuscript note reading "*The earliest known poetry on the postage stamp*", and a cut out of the pome reproduced in "*Stamp Collecting*" 1936 (12 Dec.). While it is not known if this is in the hand of Smith, it is nevertheless a charming piece £200-300

"Black" Plates

- 2382 ☒ Plate 1B: CK, large margins, tied by black Maltese Cross to envelope from Knutsford to London dated 12 Sept. 1841; the envelope has been "turned" and bears parts of the original franking on the inside. Unusual £150-200
- 2383 ☒ Plate 1B: TF, on envelope from Exeter to Lymptone, Plate 5: PF, tied to entire (no side flaps) from Belper to London, Plate 9: ME on entire with red T.P/BlackheathSE alongside, Plate 11: BA, on entire letter from Portsmouth to Havant. Black Maltese Cross cancellations and four margins. A fine group (4 items) £250-300



2384

- 2384 ○ Plate 1c: OA, part of sheet margin at left and large margins other sides, black Maltese Cross cancellation; fine and scarce. M. Williams Certificate (2025). Photo £350-400
- 2385 ☒ Plate 5: KC, close to large margins, on Insurance Company return form from Belfast to Londonderry; Plate 9: EF, large margins, on entire from Clomnel to Dublin; Plate 10: QD, small to huge margins, on entire letter from Stone to Lichfield; fine. A scarce and attractive trio of "Black" Plates £300-350
- 2386 ○ Plate 5: RB (pre-provisional printing), Plate 8: EE (on piece), Plate 9: HA, Plate 10: ED, Plate 11: KB, all with margins all round and black Maltese Cross cancellations. A fine group (5 items) £200-300
- 2387 ☒ Plate 8: QF, small to good margins, tied by a superb strike of the Kettle distinctive Maltese Cross to entire letter to Musselburgh, dated markings of Oct. 6 and 7 on the reverse; fine £250-300
- Note: Although not recorded by Rockoff and Jackson, this thin lined Cross shows a narrow inner Cross arm*
- 2388 ○ Plate 8: SA and SH, Plate 9: BL and FD (each on piece), KK, Plate 10, OG, Plate 11: KG and ML, all with black Maltese Cross cancellations and four margins. A fine group (8 items) £200-300



2389

2389 ☒

Plate 8: TC, good to large margins, just touched at foot, **tied by red Maltese Cross of Ardrossan** to 1841 (11 May) entire letter to Hamilton, the reverse with boxed Ardrossan d.s. in matching ink and black Hamilton arrival d.s. for the following day. Attractive and very rare, being the earliest of four recorded examples from Ardrossan; R.P.S. Certificate (1991). Spec. A2va, £24,000. Photo

£1,500-1,800

Notes: Gibbons note that the best examples of the red Maltese Cross on 1d. red-brown originate from Ardrossan, Hayle, Billericay and Rugeley, of which Ardrossan is among the rarest.

PROVENANCE:

Christie's Robson Lowe, Nov. 1988 and June 1989

LITERATURE:

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1841-53 One Penny Red-Brown, "Black" Plates - *contd.*

- 2390 ☒ Plate 9: NC, good margins all round, tied by black Maltese Cross to entire to East Dereham dated 3 July 1841, *Brancaster/Penny Post* and dated markings of Lynn and Dereham on the front; filing fold clear of the adhesive; fine £100-120
- 2391 ☒ Plate 9: TK, on entire letter from Brighton to Edinburgh, Plate 11: OD, on entire from Bath to Edinburgh, LH, on entire from Leeds to Liverpool, LI, on local London entire, PJ (cut into at left) on local London entire (no side flaps), SI on entire letter from Whitehaven to Cockermouth. All with black Maltese Cross cancellations and mostly with margins all round. Good to fine (6 items) £250-300
- 2392 ○ Plate 10: GJ, touched at right, large to huge margins other sides, tied to entire from London to Edinburgh; also Plate 12: DD-DE **horizontal pair** and GD on piece with red *Eastbourne/Penny Post* alongside, Plate 13: NH on entire letter to Dublin with "ARTANE/PENNY-POST" alongside. Black Maltese Cross cancellations. Good to fine. An interesting trio of early Plates with some double letter varieties £200-250
- 2393 ☒ Plate 10: OJ (constant variety), clear to good margins, tied by black Maltese Cross to entire letter to Aberdeen dated 16 Oct. 1841 with framed "No. 6" alongside, dated marking on reverse; fine appearance but a little soiled on the interior £150-200



2394

- 2394 ☉ B Plate 10: RJ-TL **corner marginal block of nine (3x3)**, superb mint with full original gum, clear margins all round showing partial inscription at foot "... the Back be careful not to remove the Cement." and plate number "10"; RJ and RJ showing basal shift, SJ and TJ with J flaw, RJ showing "P" converted to "R" by hand engraving. A marvellous and important block from this of exhibition quality. Photo £15,000-20,000

PROVENANCE:
'Verus'



2395

- 2395 ☒ Plate 11: GJ, clear to large margins, tied by black Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter addressed to the Stamp Office, Winchester, contents include *Please send me 25 sheets Postage Lab 1d.*, on reverse Portsea u.d.c. and Winchester c.d.s. of 20 Nov. 1841; fine and interesting. Photo £350-400
- 2396 ☒ Plate 11 LA, very large margins all round and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at foot, tied by black Maltese Cross cancellation to entire from Ryde to Newport, Isle of Wight and with boxed "No. 1" Ryde receiving Office handstamp alongside; dated markings on reverse, filing folds, well clear of the adhesive, fine and scarce £200-250
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- 2397 ○ Plate 12: PG, Plate 13: DE (Basal shift), Plate 16: AK, Plate 20: AG and Plate 42: MA, all four margin examples with black Maltese Cross cancellations; fine, £120-150
- 2398 ☒ Plate 13: JE, placed sideways, on entire from Rochdale to Barnsley, Plate 16: NI, on envelope from Cheltenham to Stratford, Plate 23: MH, on entire letter from Whitehall to Ringwood, Plate 27: DB, on printed entire from Ilminster to Somerton, Plate 30: TD, on Edinburgh local entire, Plate 32: EE, on entire from Ilminster to Taunton, OJ on entire letter from Montrose to Edinburgh; all four margin examples with black Maltese Cross cancellations. A fine group (7 items) £150-200



2399

- 2399 ☒ Plate 17: HB, black Maltese Cross cancellation, on entire mourning letter, **folded as a triangle** from Bakewell, dated 1 July 1842, the adhesive with margins all round except at top left and right where it has been trimmed to fit the entire. Unusual. Photo £100-150

1841-53 One Penny Red-Brown - *contd.*



2400



2405

- 2400 ☒ Plate 17: HK, large to very large margins all round, tied to entire (no side flaps) to Buckingham, by a good Leamington distinctive Maltese Cross, dated markings of Nov. 10 and 11 1841 on the front; fine. Photo £200-300
- 2401 ○ Plate 19: Selection of twenty, all but one with black Maltese Cross cancellations, four on pieces, margins all round; chiefly fine £100-150



2402

- 2402 ○ Plate 22: SI-SJ **horizontal pair**, SJ with "J" flaw, sharing a single black Maltese Cross cancellation, contrary to Post Office instructions and leaving SI with a completely clear Queen's profile; fine and rare. Photo £300-400
- 2403 ☒ Plate 24: OA, slightly touched at left, tied by black Maltese Cross to envelope to Harrogate and with another strike at lower left, dated markings of Aug. 7 and 8 1842 on the reverse; vertical filing fold, fine and unusual £100-150
- 2404 ☒ Plate 26: HI, huge margins and showing portion of the adjoining stamps at top and right, tied by upright black Maltese Cross to large part entire to London, red Fleetwood u.d.c. on the front and Preston c.d.s. of 8 April 1843 on the reverse; very fine appearance £100-150
- 2405 ☒ Plate 28: AL and BK, small to good margins all round, tied by two fine and upright strikes of the No. "3" in Maltese Cross to entire letter to Sheffield, Lombard St. Maltese Cross datestamp of 21 June 1843 and arrival on reverse; clean vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesives, fine and an exceptional cover. Photo £250-300



2406

- 2406 ☒ Plate 28: OC-OD **horizontal pair**, good to large margins all round, tied by two number "1" in Maltese Cross cancellations to entire letter to Dundee, Charing Cross Maltese Cross datestamp of 28 June 1843 and arrival datestamp on reverse; clean and uncreased. Photo

£200-250



2407

- 2407 ○ Plate 28: SD, large margins all round and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at left, upright and complete black Maltese Cross cancellation; on the reverse an interesting hand coloured figure of a male head. Most unusual. Photo
- 2408 ○ Plate 31: FA, double letter "A", clear to large margins all round, green Maltese Cross cancellation; small wrinkle at right, otherwise fine and scarce. S.G. £3,250
- 2409 ☒ Plate 32: FI, good to large margins all round, tied by a very fine and upright strike of the No. "5" in Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter to Dunmow with "Strand.B" and Dunmow c.d.s. alongside; filing folds clear of the adhesive; fine and attractive
- 2410 ☒ Plate 32: LA, huge margins all round, superb, crisp and complete black Maltese Cross cancellation, on entire from Edinburgh to Ayr dated 10 April 1844; clean vertical filing fold, fine and most appealing

£100-150

£150-200

£120-150

£100-150



2411

- 2411 ☒ Plate 33: CL, clear to large margins, tied by a superb Belfast distinctive Maltese Cross to entire to Edinburgh, dated markings of April 11 and 12 1844 on the reverse; fine. Photo

£180-200

1841-53 One Penny Red-Brown - *contd.*

2412

Plate 35: GF, on entire from London to Montgomeryshire (dated 3 May 1844, 2 days after the introduction of the numeral cancellations), Plate 37: HH, on entire letter from Newcastle on Tyne to Alnwick with *Ryton/Penny Post* alongside, Plate 39: TL, on Edinburgh local entire, Plate 40: PH, on Edinburgh local entire (no side flaps), Plate 44: RE, on London local entire letter with red step type T.P./Torrington PL alongside. All four margined examples with black Maltese Cross cancellations. A fine and interesting group (5 items)

£200-250



2416



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2413 △

Plate 36: MG, good margins all round, tied to piece by complete **blue** "*Blackpool/Penny Post*"; fine and rare. Photo

£250-300

2414 ☒

Plate 37: LB, on envelope from Dorchester to Bristol, Plate 43: PC, huge margins, on Edinburgh local entire letter, Plate 46: GG, on entire letter from Barnsley to Worcestershire with fine "Missent to" and Birmingham c.d.s., Plate 57: JC-JD **horizontal pair**, on entire letter from Hereford to Salop, Plate 69: CF, on mourning envelope from Howden to Wakefield, lightly cancelled and with additional manuscript lines, Plate 79: DC, with blue (or shades) Scottish "195" of Kettle on refolded entire letter, Plate 111: SB, with blue "608" barred oval of Penryn to envelope to Plymouth; all four margined examples, good to fine

£250-300

2415 ○

Plate 51: HC, Plate 83: RL (re-cut R), Plate 84: TE (re-entry), Plate 92: MI (on piece with blue "692" of Yoxford), Plate 96: IL (with blue "249" of Devises), Plate 152: FI, Plate 153: IE, Plate 169: CB, all four margined examples; a fine group (8 items)

£100-120

x2416 ⑩

Plate 56: Imperforate imprimatur lettered TL from the lower right corner of the sheet showing pat inscription "*..ve the Cement.*" and plate number, clear margins all round, fine and scarce. Photo

£400-600

x2417 ⑩

Plate 56: Imprimatur lettered JI, without gum as usual, fine. R.P.S. Certificate (2025). S.G. Spec. BS45, £900. Photo

£200-250



2418

2418 ☒

Plate 67: LA, enormous margins on all sides and showing traces of two adjoining stamps, tied by barred oval and superb Cranborne c.d.s. of De 30 1846 to entire to London, arrival datestamp on the reverse; clean and uncreased. Exceptional. Photo

£500-600



2419

x2419 ①

Plate 68: Imperforate imprimatur lettered TL, from the lower left of the sheet showing part inscription “...ve the Cement.” and plate number, clear margins all round, fine and scarce. Photo

£400-600

2420 ☒

Plate 71: DL, large margins, tied by “75” barred oval of Birmingham to embossed “Ladies” envelope to Knowle, blue datestamp of 3 Sept 1848 on the reverse; part of flap missing and some staining on the reverse, fine

£150-200

2421 ☒

Plate 98: AH, close to large margins, tied to entire letter to Dundonald dated 28 June 1850 by **blue** Scottish “186” of Irvine, dated markings on reverse; vertical filling fold, fine and attractive

£180-200

2422 ☒

Plate 118: GA (lavender tinted paper) on envelope with enclosure from Exeter, GC (lavender tinted paper) on printed receipt from Birmingham to Bradford, Plate 130: KA (showing part of marginal inscription and ornament) on entire letter from London to Tetbury, SA (lavender tinted paper) on entire letter from Shipston to Birmingham, Plate 156: JA (showing a trace of the marginal ornament), on entire from Wakefield to Dewsbury, KA (showing part of marginal inscription at left) on entire letter from Romford to Chelmsford, Plate 161: BB on envelope to Glasgow with Manchester “Spoon” cancellation; all four margined examples, good to fine (7 items)

£200-300

2423 ☒

Plate 127: OH-OI **horizontal pair** displaying a dry print, good to large margins, single “605” barred oval cancellation of Penkridge on envelope to Northampton dated 23 Jan. 1852; seal cut out from reverse, fine

£120-150

2424 ☒

Plate 139: RI-RJ **horizontal pair**, good to large margins all round and showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at left, tied by two **pale blue** “685” barred ovals of Walton to long blue printed Agenda Paper for the Wilts Michaelmas Quarter Sessions dated 14 Oct. 1852 addressed to Salisbury; clean and uncreased

£220-250

1841-53 One Penny Red-Brown - *contd.*



2425

2425 ☒ Plate 158: NA-NF **horizontal strip of six** and QJ, all with margins all round, tied by “436” barred oval cancellations of Lancaster to entire letter, Registered to Liverpool, dated marking of 19 July 1853 on the front; some minor imperfections but a fine strip and a rare Registered cover. Photo £200-300

2426 ☒ Plate 170: OK, enormous margins and showing portions or a trace of four adjoining stamps, tied by upright “930” barred oval of York to entire letter to Colne with dated marking of 1 June 1854 on the reverse; A wonderful stamp from a scarcer Plate £200-300

Unplated

2427 ☒ 1843 (5 Sept.) entire letter to London, re-directed to Paris, franked 1d. BA with close to very large margins all round, tied by a Brighton distinctive Maltese Cross and red transit datestamp; fine £150-200

2428 ○ BL, margins all round, large Dorchester c.d.s. of Fe 6 1842, DG, close to good margins with boxed “No. 1” receiving house of Littlehampton cancellation, LH, slightly cut into at right, two boxed CANONGATE cancellations, RL, good margins and showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at left, tied to piece by “134” barred oval of Bristol and undated circle of Harptree. A nice group (4 items) £200-250

2429 1851 entire letter from Hampton Point, United States, to Liverpool, re-directed to London, franked 1d. EL (close to very large margins) with “466” barred oval cancellation of Liverpool; a good range of markings including “AMERICA/LIVERPOOL” datestamp on reverse, unusual £150-200

2430 ☒ GF, on Edinburgh local entire, “turned” and returned with GD three days later, also DB on another Edinburgh local letter, “turned” and returned one day later with DA, Maltese Cross cancellations; touched or creased at places, a fine and attractive pair £200-250



2431

- 2431 ☒ GK, HA and LJ, with Embossed 1/- partly severed pair, one with close to very large margins, tied by "466" barred oval cancellations of Liverpool to entire letter to New York dated 3 Aug. 1850; some faults but a scarce and attractive franking. Photo £250-300
- 2432 ○ IL, MJ and NJ, for margined examples with black Maltese Cross cancellations, one is missing the inner and middle cross (similar to Hollymount), the last with superb Scottish Cross; fine £100-120
- 2433 △田 JE-KF **block of four** with small to huge margins and showing portions of two adjoining stamps at left, tied to piece by "590" barred oval cancellations of Oldham; small wrinkles affecting JE-JF; fine £100-120



2434



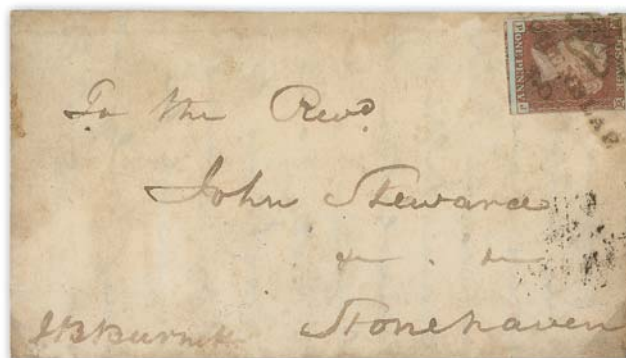
2436

- 2434 ☒ K?, touched and faults, tied by "723" barred oval of Southampton to entire letter folded into a triangle, addressed to the **Isle of Man**, Southampton, Liverpool and Douglas datestamps on the reverse, unusual. Photo £100-150
- 2435 ☒ LA, margins all round and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at right, applied upside down and tied by black Maltese Cross on entire letter originating from St. Petersburg dated 9 Oct. 1842, on reverse Lombard St. Maltese Cross (2 Nov.) and Leith (4 Nov.) datestamps; fine and most unusual £200-300
- 2436 ☒ NJ, good to very large margins all round, tied by **1844-type '14' barred numeral** and "BEAULY" town d.s. to 1848 (22 July) entire letter from Hillhead to Beaully, the reverse with boxed Ardersier 23.07 d.s. It is likely that the town d.s. was struck on the face on receipt as the blue, boxed d.s. on reverse was so light. Fine and most unusual. Photo £600-800

1841-53 One Penny Red-Brown - *contd.*



2437



2440

2437 ☒

OC and SE, close to large margins, “75” barred oval cancellations of Birmingham, on entire letter addressed to Mr. Joseph Fry, Rio de Janeiro, care of Thos Rodrick Liverpool. straight line HANDSWORTH and CORREIO GERALDA CORTE arrival datestamp; faults but fine appearance and exceptionally rare addressed to Argentina. Photo

£400-500



2438



2441



2439

2438 ○

OE, touched at places, **blue** “STAFFORD./MY 26” c.d.s., fine and unrecorded in Danzig & Goldsmith. Photo

£200-250

2439 ○

OL, good margins all round, with very fine inverted **violet** London District “29” numeral of Mitcham; rare. Photo

£150-200

NOTE: The London District “29” cancellation of Mitcham is noted for the violet cancellation

2440 ☒

PJ, close to very large margins, just touching at upper left, tied by “AUCHENBLAE/S.O” **village handstamp and Maltese Cross in black** to 1841 (Dec.) entire letter (reduced), addressed to Stonehaven, the reverse struck with a further Auchenblae handstamp, Laurencekirk and Stonehaven boxed d.s. Entire with some overall toning though most unusual and a rare combination. Photo

£400-600

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RA-SB marginal block of four from the left of the sheet on heavily blued paper, good to large margins all round, large part original gum, the pper right stamp unmounted, crease in margin at right, just shaving SA; a most attractive multiple. Photo

£400-600

2442 ☒

SG-SI and RE-RJ horizontal strips of three and six alongside SJ single, all with good to large margins, affixed overlapping and tied by ‘131’ barred numerals of Edinburgh to 1851 (11 Feb.) entire letter registered to Falkirk, endorsed on face “*registered letter*”; the reverse with Edinburgh receiving d.s. in red and Falkirk double arc d.s. in blue. Filing folds affect only RF and SJ, otherwise fine and a dramatic franking

£300-400



2443

- 2443 △ SH, close to large margins, tied to piece by complete red “RETURNED FOR/BETTER DIRECTION” and no other postmark; fine and unique. Brandon Certificate (2005). Photo £500-600
- Registered**
- 2444 ☒ 1852-50, five entires franked imperf. 1d., each endorsed *Registered* or *Registered Letter*, including 1842 from Glasgow to Castle Douglas with superb Maltese Cross, 1845 double rate cover from London to Manchester, 1849 and 1850 charged additional 6d., the others charged 1/-; good to fine £300-400
- Incoming**
- 2445 ☒ 1854 envelope from Madeira to Derbyshire, franked 1d. FB (uncancelled), on reverse yellow Plymouth Packet Letter datestamp of 12 Feb. 1854 together with London and Chesterfield transit and arrival datestamps; endorsed on the flap *The letters are dipped in water by quarantine orders, but I hope you will be able to make it out.* Also 1854 entire from Danzig to Blaydon Burn, franked 1d. QK, close to large margins, with London “2” Inland cancellation; small faults but a very scarce pair of letter originating overseas £200-250
- 2446 ○ Selection of over 530, mostly four margined used examples housed in a red stockbook, thirty-seven with Maltese Cross cancellations and over 110 plated, some tied to small pieces and sharing other Penny Post type cancellations, chiefly good to fine and with many exceptional examples, a number with enormous margins showing portions of the adjoining stamps on multiple sides. A wonderful lot for the specialist £800-1,000
- Selection of eight examples, including AB from the top of the sheet on piece, BC on piece with “388” barred oval cancellation, FD, huge margins, on piece with Irish “186” numeral, NJ with London NW2 (very late use), TH, huge margins, etc., a fine group £150-200
- 2448 ★ Seven unused or part original gum, including FA from the left of the sheet with marginal inscription “...t to remove the Ce...”, HI with Ivory head, etc., mostly with margins all round; an attractive group, £200-300
- 2449 ☒ 1842 and 1843, six entires, including AI placed sideways on entire letter from London to Bedfordshire, DB-EB **vertical pair** on envelope from Sherborne to Yeovil, DH on entire letter to Machynlleth with Hay distinctive Maltese Cross, LF on entire letter to Bridport with Beaminster Maltese Cross and framed “No. 1” alongside, etc., chiefly four margined examples, good to fine £100-200
- 2450 ☒ 1844-53, eleven entires, including 1844 indenture with embossed £3 stamp, franked 1d. (2), 1846 mourning envelope franked 1d. with “116” barred oval, redirected and with additional red London Paid datestamp, 1848 entire letter from Dundee to Glasgow, franked 1d., endorsed *Registered Letter* and with manuscript “6”, 1848 envelope to Paris franked 1d. (faults), 1850 entire franked 1d. KA-LA **vertical pair**, etc., chiefly fine £200-300

1841-53 One Penny Red-Brown - *contd.*

Cancellations

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| 2451 ○ | Group of five with blue numeral cancellations, comprising London District “18”, “22” of Crediton, “887” of Stalbridge, Scottish “186” of Irvine, Welsh “1” of Abergavenny, all four margined examples, two on pieces | £100-150 |
| 2452 ○ | Three with both Maltese Cross and part numeral or Penny Post cancellation, also 1d. with very fine blue Maltese Cross cancellation; all touched or slightly cut into at places; good appearance | £100-150 |
| 2453 ☒ | 1841 (27 Nov.), entire letter to Plymouth franked 1d. RF (cut into at top), tied by Plymouth Maltese Cross and red Callington datestamp, 1843 (10 Jan.), entire letter to Edinburgh franked 1d. PK, huge margins and showing portions of two adjoining stamps, with Manchester “Fish Tail” Maltese Cross cancellation, 1844 (31 Jan.), entire to Blairgowrie, franked 1d. FF with good Perth Maltese Cross cancellation. A good trio of distinctive Maltese Cross cancellations | £300-400 |
| 2454 ☒ | 1844 (11 May), entire letter (no side flaps) franked 1d. DE with large margins, tied by “6” in Maltese Cross, also 1844 (2 Feb.) entire to Dublin franked 1d. AF, good to huge margins with fine and upright “7” in Cross, 1853 (24 April) printed entire letter to Ironbridge franked 1d. IA with fine “7” in Cross, 1843 (15 Nov.), entire to Westminster franked 1d. with “9” in Cross; good to fine | £250-300 |
| 2455 ☒ | 1850 (11 Dec.), entire to Shepton Mallett with blue “306” barred oval of Frome, 1851 (20 March) entire letter to Edinburgh with blue/green Scottish “38” of Bathgate, 1852 (16 Nov.) envelope to Maidstone with brown “493” numeral of Maidstone; each franked 1d. with good to large margins | £150-200 |

1841 TWO PENCE BLUE

Plate 3



2456

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| 2456 ○ | AL, from the upper right corner of the sheet showing part of the marginal inscription and a sizeable portion of the adjoining stamp at left, black Maltese Cross cancellation. A stunning example. Photo | £300-350 |
| 2457 ○ | BB, good margins, tied by a fine black Maltese Cross to entire letter to Stoke Newington with Moorgate St. receiver alongside, RH, close to good margins with fine No. “12” in Maltese Cross cancellation, Plate 4: CF, close to large margins and showing portions of adjoining stamps at left and right, “716” barred oval cancellation of Sleaford, EI-EJ horizontal pair with good to very large margins all round and showing portions of two adjoining stamp at foot, “75” barred oval cancellations of Birmingham, QA, large margins, Scottish “...48” numeral; good to fine | £100-150 |



2458

- 2458 ○ EB-EF horizontal strip of five in blue, good to large margins all round, each cancelled by number '4' in Maltese Cross, ED with small repair in margin at foot, a few bends though a rare multiple. Sepc. E1vd, £3,500. Photo £300-400
- 2459 ○ FL, close to good margins all round, crisp Dublin distinctive Maltese Cross cancellation; fine £120-150
- 2460 ☒ GJ, margins all round, with 1d. touched or cut into at places, tied by two black Maltese Cross cancellations to entire (no side flaps) to Bristol with dated markings of Feb. 7 and 8 on the reverse; horizontal filing fold well clear of the adhesives, fine and a scarce 3d. rate paying the Late Fee £200-250
- 2461 ☒ JC, large margins and showing a trace of the adjoining stamp at right, tied by a thin lined Scottish Maltese Cross cancellation to entire letter from Edinburgh to Glasgow, dated markings of Oct. 17 and 18 on the reverse; fine £120-150



2462



2466

- 2462 ☒ QI, large margins and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at right, tied to printed manifest for goods on board the ship *Vectis*, by a fine "5" in Maltese Cross, addressed to Newport and with dated markings of 16 and 17 June 1843 on the reverse. Exceptional. Photo £600-800
- 2463 △ QI, good to large margins, tied to piece by an attractive bold black Maltese Cross cancellation; most appealing £120-150
- Plate 4**
- 2464 ☒ AL, from the top of the sheet and part of the inscription "... (Rem)ove the cem...", large to very large margins other sides and showing a portion of the adjoining stamp at left, tied by London inland barred oval cancellation to blue envelope to Sheffield, dated markings on reverse; a little wrinkled but rare £200-250
- 2465 ○ BB-CC block of four in blue, good to enormous margins all round, showing portions of the adjoining margins at left and right, cancelled by '498' barred numerals, one or two thins; also CI in deep shade, **watermark inverted**, clear margins all round, indistinctly cancelled by barred numeral. A good duo £150-200
- 2466 ☒ DH-DK horizontal strip of four with good margins all round, tied by London barred numeral '7' to 1853 (16 March) entire letter to Trieste, Austria endorsed "*via Ostende*", rated with manuscript "£" and struck with circular "P." and Aachen transit marking in red; the reverse with Trieste 24.03 d.s. in red. Horizontal filing fold crossing DH otherwise fine and scarce. Photo £400-600

1841 Two Pence Blue, Plate 4 - *contd.*

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| 2467 ○ | GJ, huge margins and showing portions of four adjoining stamps, barred oval cancellation; a magnificent example | £150-200 |
| 2468 ○ | KL and NL, both from the right of the sheet and showing marginal inscription and with good to large margins other sides, barred oval cancellations; fine | £120-150 |
| 2469 ☒ | PG-PI strip of three affixed overlapping 1841-53 1d. red-brown, DK, and tied by '727' barred numeral to 1841 (21 Aug.) entire registered from Spalding to Kendal, endorsed " <i>Registered Letter</i> ", the reverse with Spalding, London and Kendal d.s. B.P.A. Certificate (1996). Fine and scarce | £250-300 |



2470

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| 2470 ○ | PJ-PK horizontal pair , good to very large margins all round, two blue "447" barred oval cancellations of Leeds (PK with Queen's profile clear); fine and outstanding. B.P.A. Certificate (2001). Photo | £500-600 |
| 2471 ○ | TD-TF, horizontal strip of three , part of sheet margin at foot and showing traces of the marginal inscription, very large margins other sides and with portions of five adjoining stamps, "466" barred oval cancellations of Liverpool; fine. An exceptional strip. Roumet handstamp and pencilled signatures on the reverse | £200-250 |
| 2472 ○ | A scarce used group including horizontal strip of three, pairs (3) and single, all with clear margins all round, one pair with large portion of adjoining stamp at right, 1851 (8 Aug.) piece from Irvine to New York bearing strip of three tied by '18' barred numeral in blue, piece struck with "PAID AND "5/cents" on face, and Irvine and Liverpool blue d.s. on reverse, 1848 (5 Aug.) entire with enclosure from Solihull to Henley in Arden bearing strip of four, 1844 (15 Feb.) entire letter from Kendall to Edinburgh bearing single, and 1851 (4 July) envelope to Southampton bearing single. A fine group | £600-800 |

1850-54 EXPERIMENTAL FORMS OF SEPARATION

Perkins Bacon



2473

2473 ★ 

BH-CL Perkins Bacon perforation trial marginal block of ten, from Plate 10, perf. 11-12½, part to large part original gum. An extraordinary, unique rarity, this being the largest recorded block of three known examples. S.G. 16var. Photo

£12,000-15,000

Notes: An adjoining strip of five (DH-DL) was offered as lot 626 in "Daisy", Christie's Robson Low, Oct. 1996 where it was described as "Status Unknown". There also exists a block of four on cover in the Royal Philatelic Collection. We know now that the Perkins Bacon perforation trials used the balance of an imperforate Plate 10 sheet used on 1841 Postal Notices. Stamps perf. 11-12½ were only used in the early 1860s for stamps of Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados and Grenada.

1850-54 Experimental Forms of Separation - *contd.*

1850, Perf. 16 by Henry Archer

Plate 93



2474



2475

- 2474 ☒ DC, tied by London District "73" cancellation to envelope addressed to Broadway, dated 20 March 1854; well centred for this and fine. S.G. 16b. Photo £400-500
- 2475 ☒ MG, placed sideways and cancelled by London inland "39" barred oval cancellation, on envelope to Glasgow, dated 2 Jan. 1855, addressed to Lord Blantyre; centred to upper left, otherwise fine and scarce. S.G. 16d. Photo £250-300

Plate 97



2476

- 2476 ☒ PD, perforated 16, cancelled by '33' barred numeral and affixed to 1853 (19 July) envelope to Stamford. Fine and scarce. B.P.A. Certificate (2023). S.G. 16b, £1,800. Photo £300-400

Plate 98



2477

- x2477 ☉田 OA-PB **block of four**, superb, full original gum, entirely unmounted and an important rarity. S.G. 16b, Spec. CE2, £15,000 as a block of four. Photo £1,000-1,500

1854-57

Watermark Small Crown, Perf. 16

- 2478 ☒ 1d. AD and BD, tied by a single **green** “186” in diamond of Dublin to envelope to Co. Mayo, dated markings of 9 Aug. 1855 on the reverse; the envelope slightly refolded for exhibition purpose. Fine. S.G. 21 £250-300
- 2479 ○ 1d. red-brown, perfs. trimmed at top and right upon affixing to small envelope and endorsed *stamped* at left, “907” barred oval cancellation of Woodbridge. Perf. 14 1d. EJ-EK **horizontal pair**, tied to piece by **green** Irish 186 numerals of Dublin, 1d. CC tied by Liverpool Spoon cancellation to envelope to Montgomeryshire, 1d. IG, tied to piece by **green** Dublin Spoon datestamp, also a later envelope franked 1d.; good to fine £150-200
- 2480 ☒ 1d. Plate 1: LK, tied by **blue** “438” diamond of Tullamore leaving the Queen’s profile clear, to blue entire addressed to Ballinasloe, dated markings of 9 Aug. 1855 on the reverse; patched seal holes on the reverse; fine. S.G. 17/18 £150-200

Watermark Small Crown, Perf. 14

- x2481 ○ 1d. red-brown, Plate 22: MI, alphabet III, cancelled by ‘114’ barred numeral of Dundee, one or two shortish perfs. otherwise fine and rare. R.P.S. Certificate (1988). S.G. 24var, Spec. C7(1), £4,500 £200-300
- 2481A ☒ 2d. blue, BB-BC and GA-GB **horizontal pairs**, tied by London Inland “20” barred oval cancellation on entire to Lyon, red “PD” in oval on the front, Lombard St. Maltese Cross datestamp of 26 March 1855 and other datestamps on the reverse; fine and scarce. S.G. 23 £250-300
- 2482 ☒ 2d. blue, TF-TG **horizontal pair**, tied by London Inland “27” to entire to Lyon, red “PD” in oval on the front, Lombard St. Maltese Cross datestamp 19 July 1855 and other dated markings on the reverse; fine and scarce. S.G. 23 £150-200

Watermark Large Crown, Perf. 14

- 2483 ○ 1d., selection of ten, comprising “345” barred oval cancellation, pair sharing a single “860” barred oval of Wellington, single on piece with **blue** Glasgow “159” duplex, single on piece with **blue** Nottingham “583” duplex, single on envelope from London to Bakewell, Registered and additionally franked Embossed 6d. (cut square, touched or cut into at places), strip of four on entire to Lyon; good to fine £200-250

2484 ☒	1d., six used on five entire letters or envelopes, including two on forwarded entire, SE on envelope to Aberdeen with green "159" numeral of Glasgow, three from the same correspondence with undated circle of Bourne (blue or green) on reverse, etc.; good to fine	£150-200
2485 ☒	1d. on 1856 envelope from Oswestry to Shrewsbury with green Selattyn u.d.c. on reverse, another on 1857 envelope from Bridgenorth to Shrewsbury and 1856-58 perf. 14 1d. on envelope from Kidderminster to Wolverhampton, all with "Spoon" cancellations; a fine and attractive trio	£100-120
2486 ☒	1d., four on separate entires, cancellations with Greenock "163" Experimental duplex, Edinburgh "131" duplex in blue, also 1d. on piece with Liverpool "466" Spoon cancellation; good to fine	£100-150
2488	2d. Plate 5: DF, tied to piece by Liverpool Spoon cancellation, 1858-58 2d. perf. 16 two singles, single on piece with double ring "Too Late/G.P.O." alongside, strip of three on piece; good to fine. S.G. 34, 36a	£150-200
2489 ☒	2d., Plate 5: IH, tied to embossed (Crown)/"FREE" envelope addressed to Germany, red transit datestamp additionally ties the stamp and red "P" in oval alongside, dated markings on the reverse; fine and attractive	£200-250
2490 ☒	2d. Plate 5: PA-QB, block of four with 1d. on entire letter to Bordeaux, London Inland "27" in barred oval cancellations, transit and arrival markings; minor imperfections but a scarce and attractive franking. S.G. 35	£400-500
2490A	2d. singles (2) and 1856 1/- tied by Edinburgh duplex to 1858 (9 July) entire letter to Kingston; also 2d. horizontal strip of four tied by '24' Inland Office cancels to 1855 (25 May) entire to Havre. A fine duo	£100-150

1856-58

Perf. 14 One Penny

x2491 ★ [®]	Plate 36: JA-OC pale red, block of eighteen , large part original gum, perforation shifted to the right, scarce multiple. P.S.A. Certificate (1985) Specialised C9 (3) £7,650	£600-800
x2492 ★ [®]	Plate 36: MA-SF block of forty two in a deep shade, original gum with most remaining unmounted mint, centred to top; a few minor stains hardly visible of the face and some toning on reverse, Fine. S.G. 38/41 group	£400-800
x2493 ★ [®]	Plate 38: OC-QL pale rose shade, block of thirty , large part original gum with toning and some creasing, rejoining and rebacked vertically between OI-OJ to GJ-QK, and horizontally from QJ to OL, nevertheless a rare multiple. Specialised C9 (3) £12,750	£1,000-1,500
x2494 ★ [®]	Plate 68: AA-EF pale rose pink, block of thirty , unused without gum, split perforations between EB-EC and to stamps above, excellent multiple of this rare shade. R.P.S. Certificate (1989) Specialised C10 (4) £18,000	£800-1,000
x2495 ★	Selection on stockcards comprising singles (10) and pairs (3), SI-SJ, LJ-LK and AI-AJ, also DB-DD strip of three, one without gum, generally fine	£250-300
2496 ☒	1d., five items addressed overseas, comprising single on Newspaper wrapper Basel, vertical strip of four with Rideout "1" cancellations on envelope to France, horizontal strip of six on entire to Spain, single on large part wrapper to Canada, single on entire to Virginia, endorsed <i>printed sheet/P Canada/Via Boston</i> ; chiefly good to fine	£200-300
2497 ☒	1d., selection of seventeen, mostly covers, cancellations and markings including cover with Rideout machine No. 1, Rideout machine No. 2, single with marginal inscription on mourning cover, Peebles c.d.s., "POSTED SINCE 10 LAST NIGHT/EDINBR", twin London "46" numerals, Leeds double ring duplex, circular "Too Late/G.P.O.", envelope initialled by the famous Artist Edwin Landseer, etc., chiefly fine	£200-300

SCOTTS LOCALS

1854-57



2498



2499

2498 ☒

1d., perf. 14, AG tied by "AUCHNACRAIG" handstamp in black to 1838 (8 June) entire letter to Tobermory; the reverse with Oban and Tobermory d.s. Vertical filing fold clear of the adhesive, fine and scarce. Photo

£300-400

2499 ☒

1d., perf. 14, BF, tied by boxed "AULTBEA" handstamp in green to Poolewe and Hawick town d.s., the former in matching green ink. Generally fine and rare. Photo

£400-600



2500



2501

2500 ☒

1d., perf. 14, AE tied by "CLACHAN" handstamp in blue to 1858 (20 Jan.) envelope from Glasgow to Inverary, the reverse with despatch and arrival d.s. Horizontal filing fold and some light overall foxing, otherwise attractive and rare. Photo

£250-300

2501 ☒

1d., perf. 14, OD tied by boxed "GARDERHOUSE" handstamp in black to 1859 (14 Nov.) envelope to Edinburgh, the reverse with green Lerwick and red Edinburgh d.s. Adhesive with perfs. a touch trimmed at top otherwise fine and scarce. Photo

£250-300

Scotts Locals, 1854-57 - *contd.*



2502

- 2502 ☒ 1d., perf. 14 NG tied by “HARBOUR/RECC. OFFICE” framed handstamp in black to 1839 (3 March) envelope to Shapinsay, the reverse with Kirkwall d.s. Flap with repaired tear from opening otherwise fine and scarce. Photo £300-350
- 2503 ☒ 1d., perf. 14, DD tied by “INDIA STREET” handstamp to 1857 (April) entire turned letter from Edinburgh to Fort William, **turned** and addressed to Edinburgh, paid with CC, tied by ‘148’ barred numeral and “UNACHAN” handstamp in black; corresponding c.d.s. of Fort William and Edinburgh on reverse flaps. Scarce £200-250



2504

- 2504 ☒ 1d., perf. 14, IA-IF horizontal strip of six tied by ‘273’ barred numerals of Oban to 1861 (7 Oct.) envelope from Iona to Oban, endorsed “Registered at Iona”, the reverse with Oban d.s.. Some overall foxing and paper loss on reverse though very rare, having been sent in the period between 1860 and 1884 when the “IONA IONA” handstamp had been withdrawn, one of only three such covers recorded. Photo £800-1,000
- 2505 ☒ 1d., perf. 14, CI tied to by “SANDAY” boxed handstamp to 1858 (24 April) envelope to Thurso; the reverse with Kirkwall and Thurso d.s. Adhesive with upper left corner clipped and crossed by filing fold otherwise fine and scarce £100-150
- 2506 ☒ 1d., perf. 14 OL, tied by “STRACHUR” boxed handstamp to 1858 (17 May) envelope from Cairndow to Dunoon, the reverse with Carindow, Greenock and Dunoon d.s., some adhesion to flap otherwise fine and scarce £250-300
- 2507 ☒ 1d., perf. 14 NB tied by “STRONSAY” boxed handstamp to 1860 (3 Jan.) envelope to Thurso; the reverse with Kirkwall and Thurso d.s. filing folds crossing the adhesive and some light overall foxing, nevertheless scarce £250-300



2508

2508 ☒

1d., perf. 14, OG tied by boxed "WALLS" handstamp in black to 1858 (17 Sept.) envelope to Lerwick. Adhesive with one or two shortish perfs otherwise fine and rare. Photo

£250-300

1864-79**One Penny Plate Numbers**

2509

2509 ☒

Plate 87: 1d. rose-red, OF-QJ horizontal strip of five tied by Oban '273' duplex to 1864 (15 June) envelope from Iona to Oban endorsed "Registered at Oban". Small reinforced scissor cut at foot otherwise fine and rare. Photo

£1,200-1,500

x2510 ⑩

Plates 99, 123, 125, 178 and 183; imprimaturs lettered AK, AC, AC, AA and AA; all with part marginal inscriptions and without gum as prepared, plates 99, 183 and 178 thin and the former two rebacked, otherwise fine

£200-250

2511 ★田

1d. rose-red, Plate 114, block of four, lightly mounted on the upper pair only; very fine. S.G. 43, £1,300++

£300-500

2512 ☒

Plate 162: BC, extremely off centre (with no letters at foot, B-S and T-C at upper right), tied to envelope from Cheltenham to Haverfordwest, dated 17 Feb. 1876. Exceptional

£100-150



2513

2513 ☒

Plate 190: Æ tied by Greenock '167' dulpex to 1879 (7 Aug.) envelope to Paisley, carried on and posted aboard the Lord of the Isles and with magenta cachet "POSTED ON BOARD/LORD OF THE ISLES/STEAMER", the reverse with Paisley d.s. Fine and rare, in first year of use. Photo

£1,000-1,500

2514 ☒

Plate 216: GB, with 1887 ½d. vermilion on unaddressed envelope with "LEICESTER/1908/XMAS" cancellation and with another strike repeated alongside; fine, believed to be a trial impression

£250-300



2515

2515 ☉

Plate 225: TG, from the foot of the sheet with full margin and inscription "(Tow)ards the RIGHT h.." and marginal markings; unmounted mint, usual crackled gum, well centred, fine and fresh. S.G. 43/44, £3,000+-. Photo

£1,200-1,500

x2516 ☒

Three covers addressed to Finland comprising 1877 entire bearing Plate 198 (2) in combination with 1870 ½d. from London with 'Too Late G.P.O' h.s and London Inspectors '7' mark on front and St Petersburg T.P.O's on reverse, 1877 entire letter bearing Plate 189 and 2½d. rosy mauve from London 'via Ostende' with St Petersburg T.P.O's on reverse, 1873 entire letter bearing plate 146 (2) and 3d. rose from London via St Petersburg, usual faults with fold marks etc, a great lot for the specialist

£150-200

2517

Selection on seven envelopes or entires to overseas destinations, including Plate 80 **vertical strip of three** with the perfs. trimmed at top and foot to fit the envelope addressed to Belgium, Plate 81 **block of four** on entire to France, Plate 93 on prices current to Germany with INSUFFICIENTLY/STAMPED, etc., also Plate 192 on envelope from London to Glasgow with framed "FORWARDED BY/HENRY S. KING & CO." on reverse; good to fine

£300-400

- 2518 ○ Selection of eleven items, including Plate 90 with “A18” cancellation of Antigua, Plate 98 on 1893 envelope to Kings Lynn, re-directed to London, Plate 117 on 1960 envelope from Golders Green, Plate 144 with “610” (Scilly Islands) barred oval, Plate 151 and 163 on envelope three times re-directed, Plate 195 pair with ½d. Plate 14 on Wine Merchants entire with engraving of a bunch of grapes on the interior, to Cognac, etc., good to fine £150-200
- 2519 ☒ Selection of eleven used on entire or envelope, including Plate 80 on London entire with Postal District printed letterhead, Plate 116 on envelope to Devon with “41” London district numeral, Plate 120 on Peebles local envelope with c.d.s., Plate 219 (scarce) on separate envelopes to Piccadilly and Edinburgh; good to fine £200-250
- 2520 ☒ Selection of thirty entires, wrappers or envelopes addressed overseas, destinations including Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, etc., mostly single 1d. frankings but some multiples; chiefly good to fine £300-400

1858-76

Two Pence Plate Numbers

- 2521 ☒ Plate 8: IF-II **horizontal strip of four**, tied by London Inland “17” numeral cancellations to entire addressed to Hannover, endorsed *Via Ostende*, red “ENGLAND PER AACHEN/FRANCO/6/6” transit datestamp on the front; small tape marks on the reverse, fine £150-200
- 2522 ☒ Plate 8: RG with 1855-57 watermark Large Garter 4d. rose, tied by London “72” duplex cancellations of 6 Sept. 1860 to envelope endorsed *Via Calais* and *Post Restant* to Tirol Austria, redirected to London with PD in oval, overstruck by “50” barred oval and with “INSUFFICIENTLY/PREPAID” all in red, transit and arrival datestamps on the reverse; fine and most attractive. A cover full of character. S.G. 45, 66a £250-300
- 2523 ○ Selection of sixteen, including Plate 8 on pink wrapper to Piemont, strip of three on envelope addressed to 3rd. Hyderabad Cavalry In India, Plate 13 block of six (2 x 3), Plate 13 on wrapper from Glasgow to Palermo, etc., good to fine
- 2524 ★ Plate 14: QF, unused and affixed to the front of needlework pin cushion; attractive and rare £150-200

1870-74

Three Halfpence



2525

- 2525 ○B Plate 1: GG-HJ, **block of eight** with Herne Hill Dulwich c.d.s. cancellations of Aug. 2 1872; some staining on the reverse but a well centred and attractive multiple. S.G. 51. Photo £400-500
- 2526 ☒ Plate 3: BD, tied by hexagonal Ludgate Circus duplex cancellation of 4 March 1880 to advertising envelope (Drake, Driver & Leaver, printers, stationers and lithographers) addressed to Worcester; fine. S.G. 51/52 £100-120

1847-54 EMBOSSED



2526A

2526A ★

1/- pale green, Die 2, large margins all round, large part original gum. Fine and a rare stamp as such. B.P.A. Certificate (1978). S.G. 54, £18,000. Photo

£12,000-15,000

- 2526B ☒ 1/- pale green, clear margins all round, cancelled by '498' barred numeral and affixed to 1852 (27 Feb.) entire letter from Greenfield, via Uppermill and Manchester to New York, "Per Steamer *Asia*", the face struck with "5/CENTS" and "PAID" in red. Fine and attractive £250-300
- 2526C ☒ 1/- green, just touched at left and foot, tied by Leeds duplex to 1854 (19 May) entire letter to New York "Per *Adia*", the face struck with horseshoe "PAID" in red, the reverse with Liverpool d.s. Attractive £200-300
- 2526D ☒ 1/- deep green, clear margins all round, just touching at right, affixed alongside perforated 1d. red-brown, tied by '47' barred numeral and horseshoe "PAID" in red to 1854 (July) entire letter from London to New York; filing fold crossing 1d. otherwise fine and attractive £200-250
- 2526E ☒ 1/- pale green, clear margins all round, just shaving at left and top, tied by Liverpool spoon d.s. to 1855 (20 Oct.) entire (side flap missing) to New York, the face with "PAID" in red. Fine £200-300



2526F



2528

- 2526F ☒ 1/- green (2), both with good to enormous, sheet margins, cancelled by '466' barred numeral, tied by "BOSTON/PAID" d.s. in black to 1856 (19 Jan) envelope from Liverpool to Main, similar Boston d.s. in red struck alongside on face. Some overall foxing though attractive and unusual. Photo £400-500
- 2527 ☒ 1/- green **horizontal pair**, cut square, touched or a little cut into at places, tied by "152" Glasgow numerals to entire to Valparaiso dated 14 Dec. 1850, dated markings on reverse; filing fold clear of the adhesives, fine. S.G. 55 £200-250
- 2528 ☒ 1854 (23 June) small envelope to Sir John Bowring, Hong Kong (the Governor of Hong Kong) "Via Marseilles" bearing 10d. brown, die 2 (margins just touching to large) with 1/- green, die 2 (margins large to very large) cancelled by London numeral, the reverse with Charing Cross despatch and faint Hong Kong arrival (8.8). The 1/- stamp has been lifted and replaced. A highly desirable cover with this stunning franking. B.P.A. Certificate (1992). Photo £800-1,000
- 2529 ☒ 1/- and 10d., both cut square but touched or a little cut into at places, on envelope to Frankfurt, via Ostende, "498" barred oval cancellations of Manchester; transit and arrival markings, some minor imperfections but an attractive and scarce combination £300-350

1847-54 Embossed - *contd.*



2529A



2529C

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| 2529A ☒ | 10d. brown in deep shade, clear margins on three sides, just touched at top, and tied to 1850 (20 July) entire letter from London to Genoa, the faces with "PF", Calais d.s. and French transit handstamp, the reverse with London despatch d.s. An attractive entire. Photo | £350-400 |
| 2529B ☒ | 10d. brown, clear margins all round, tied by Inland Office barred numeral to small envelope to France, date unclear, struck with "PD" on face, the reverse with straight line "Knightsbridge" in blue, London d.s. and various French transit markings. Scarce and attractive. | £350-400 |
| 2529C ☒ | 6d., cut to shape, tied by '180' barred numeral to 1855 1d. pink stationery envelope from Chester to Macclesfield, endorsed "Registered", the face with boxed "REGISTERED/LETTER" and Macclesfield arrival d.s., the reverse with Chester and Crewe Station d.s. Fine and attractive. Photo | £300-350 |
| 2529D ☒ | 6d. just touched at top, affixed alongside 1855-57 small garter 4d., both tied by Liverpool Registered spoons to 1855 (30 Nov.) envelope to Macclesfield endorsed "Registered", the reverse with Macclesfield d.s. Fine | £200-250 |
| 2529E ☒ | 6d. mauve, charge to good margins all round, tied by '11' Inland Office numeral to 1856 envelope to Adelaide, the face with red inspector's mark, 1d. charge mark, Liverpool d.s. and Adelaide arrival d.s. Fine | £300-350 |
| 2529F ☒ | 6d. touched at right and top affixed on top of 1855-57 small garter 4d. and tied by indistinct d.s. to 1856 (3 July) entire letter to Seville, the face with "4R" and "PF" handstamps, the reverse with despatch d.s. and straight line "Bromley" in blue. Appealing | £200-250 |
| 2529G ☒ | 6d. affixed alongside 1854-57 2d. blue singles (3), tied to each other and to 1858 (12 June) Galway entire to New York, the face struck with "5/CENTS" and "PAID" handstamp in red, one 2d. crossed by filing fold, otherwise fine | £200-250 |
| 2530 | Selection of ten items, including 1871 front to Gibraltar franked 1d. Plate 117 pair and 1867-80 6d. Plate 9, 1871 1d. imperf. imprimatur, 1d. bisect (3 on cover or card), strip of three on 1966 p.p.c., Army Official 1d. on 1902 O.H.M.S. envelope; good to fine | £200-250 |

1855-57

- 2531 ○ Watermark small Garter 4d. (3), watermark medium Garter 4d. (4), watermark large Garter 4d. (3), watermark Emblems 6d.(2), 1/- (2), all used, good to fine. S.G. 62-72 group £80-100



2532

- 2532 ☒ Watermark Small Garter, deeply blued paper 4d. carmine, wing margin horizontal pair, tied by Scottish "144" numerals to large part entire letter from Forfar to New York, dated 17 Dec. 1855, INSUFFICIENTLY/STAMPED handstamp, "3/cents" (just tying the pair) and "24" markings, transit and arrival markings on the reverse; very fine and rare in this condition. S.G. 62. Photo £300-400



2532A



2532B

- 2532A ☒ 4d. carmine, slightly blued paper, tied by Inland Office numeral to 1855 (1 Aug.) entire letter to Bordeaux, the face with "PD" and Calais d.s., the reverse with Lombard Street and Bordeaux d.s. Brandon Certificate (1998). Fine £350-400
- 2532B ☒ 4d., wing margin at left, tied by Irish '186' spoon in green to 1855 (26 Aug.) envelope to Lyons, the face with "PD" and Calais d.s., the reverse with London and Lyon d.s. Fine and scarce £600-800

1855-57 - *contd.*

2533 ☒	Watermark Large Garter 4d. on entire (no side flaps) to France, 4d. and 6d. on envelope to Calcutta, 1865-67 4d. Plate 9 with 1d. Plate 102 on envelope to Switzerland; good to fine and attractive	£150-200
2534 ☒	Watermark Large Garter 4d. rose-carmine with 1/- pale green, tied by London "73" duplex cancellations of 25 Sept. 1858 to entire letter addressed to Paris, Angl. Amb. Calais c.d.s. and red PD in oval on the front; horizontal filing fold well clear of the adhesives, fine and an attractive cover. S.G. 66, 73	£200-250
2535 ☒	4d., Selection of six entire letters/envelopes, including watermark small Garter on entire letter from Edinburgh to Golspie, watermark medium Garter, glazed paper on entire from London to Bordeaux, watermark large Garter (3) on envelope from Clifton to India, pair on entire letter from Leeds to Lille with fine engraving on the interior, 1861 entire from London to Paris with red PD cancelled by "43" barred numeral, etc., good to fine	£300-400
2536 ☒	6d. on 1858 envelope to Syria, carried by Private bag, 6d. with 1d. and 2d. placed at lower left of 1859 envelope from Clifton to India, 6d. with 1d. on entire letter from Hastings to Workington endorsed <i>Registered Letter</i> , 6d. with sheet margin and inscription at foot on entire letter to Naples, 6d. two pairs on 1863 entire letter Registered from Liverpool to Paris, 1/- on 1857 mourning envelope from St. Andrews to Philadelphia; good to fine	£300-400
x2537 ☒	1858-97, a selection of covers (33) with Surface Printed frankings to overseas destinations including 1862 (5 July) entire letter to Cape of Good Hope bearing 1857 6d. and 1854-57 1d.; 1860 (11 Feb.) envelope to New South Wales bearing 1857 6d.; 1853 (24 Sept.) entire letter to New York bearing 1857 1/-; 1862-65, seven entires to Lyon bearing 1862-64 4d.; 1871 (3 July) entire letter to Italy bearing 1865-67 4d. Plate 12 alongside 1864-79 1d.; 1871 (10 Jan.) entire to New York bearing 1865-67 4d. Plate 11 and 1867-80 3d. Plate 5; 1866 (19 Oct.) envelope to Illinois bearing 1865-67 wing margin 1/- Plate 4; 1875-77, three entires to Rotterdam bearing 1873-80 2½d. rosy-mauve; 1883 (Sept.) envelope to Auckland bearing 1880-83 6d. on 6d. and 1/- orange-brown; 1894 1d. pink postal stationery envelope to Belgrade bearing Jubilee 1½d. Mixed condition though a good lot	£300-400

1857

2537A ☒

4d. horizontal pair, 1/- horizontal strip of four and single, and 1854-57 1d. red, all tied by '466' barred numerals to 1857 (12 July) from Liverpool to Mexico "*P Persia via New York*". Filing fold crossing one 1/- and 4d. otherwise a remarkable and attractive franking

£200-300



2538

2538 ☒

6d. lilac vertical pair tied by framed "OLD ABERDEEN" handstamp in black to 1858 (Aug.) envelope to a surgeon in the Madras Rifles at Kamptee, readdressed to Darjeeling, endorsed "*Via Marseille*" and "*Via Bombay*", the reverse with a range of Scottish and Indian d.s. Scarce. Photo

£400-600



2539

2539 ☒

6d. lilac tied by framed "MARYCULTI" handstamp to 1858 (7 Jan.) envelope to New Brunswick, endorsed "*Stamped*", the face with "FREDERIGTON" d.s., the reverse with Aberdeen, Liverpool and Frederigon d.s., reverse flap missing, scarce. Photo

£400-600

1855-57

Watermark Emblems



2539A

- 2539A ★ 1/- pale green, large part original gum, otherwise fine and rare. Brandon Certificate (2002). S.G. 73, £3,250. Photo £1,500-2,000
- PROVENANCE:
Spink, Fordwater, Lot 124

1862-64



2540



2541

- 2540 ☒ 4d., ND and 1854-57 1d., perf. 14, JH tied by Oban '273' duplex to 1864 (23 Aug.) envelope from Tyree to Lochgilphead, marked "Registered Letter at Tyree" and "Registered", the reverse with Tobermory, Inverary and Lochgilphead d.s. Reverse flap with tears from opening otherwise fine and rare. Photo £800-1,000
- 2540A ☒ 9d. bistre, DG, Plate 2, tied by London "se/8" duplex to 1862 (17 April) envelope to Jutland; also 9d. bistre, AJ, Plate 2, tied by London '84; duplex to 1862 (8 Feb.) envelope to Alexandria. A scarce duo £400-450
- x2541 ☒ 1/- green, Plate I (2, both wing-margin examples lettered RH and QH), on 1864 entire to Arequipa, Peru, *Via Southampton*, tied by superb strikes of 'LIVERPOOL/ 466' duplex (1 Nov. 64), and with on the reverse 'BRITISH P.O. PANAMA' c.d.s. and very fine reverse dotted 'YSLAI' in black; A most attractive and rare cover. Photo £1,000-1,200
- PROVENANCE:
Besancon, 2020
- 2542 Selection of six entires and a front, including 4d. on 1862 mourning envelope from London to Suffolk additionally franked 1d. postal stationery cut out, 6d. on 1863 entire letter from Liverpool to Bilbao, with red "PD" in circle cancelled by "TOI" Foreign Branch numeral, 1864 envelope with H.M.S Leander crest on franked 6d. pair, 1863 entire from Manchester to Italy franked wing margin 1/-, etc., good to fine £250-300

1865-67



2543

2543 ®

4d. die proof in black with cleared corner and plate number tablets on matt card (61x90mm.), produced for the 1871 London Exhibition. Fine and scarce. Spec. £2,000. Photo

£250-300

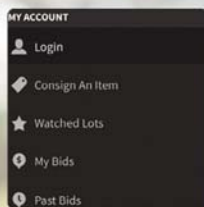
2544

Watermark Emblems: 3d. rose, Plate 4, tied by London "84" duplex to entire letter to Amsterdam, 1867-80 watermark Spray 3d. Plate 5 on entire to Amsterdam and another on envelope to Calvados, another cut out from a different entire and re-used to Germany, pair used with 1d. Plate 108 pair on entire to New York, Plate 6 single with 1d. Plate 147 on entire to France, strip of three on entire to Paris, Plate 9 with 1d. Plates 154 and 158 on entire to Paris, 6d. Plate 6 on entire to Seville, also 1872-73 6d. pale buff wing margin pair (off cover) with superb upright Hereford c.d.s's; good to fine

£200-300

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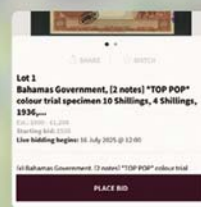
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1867-80



2545



2546

x2545 ☒

3d. deep rose, 1A, tied by "s.w/40" consular mail handstamp to 1870 (22 Oct.) entire letter in French from London to Paris, handstamped with "TOO LATE/LONDON" d.s. in black and "PD" in circle in red. Very fine and a very rare entire letter into Paris during the Siege. Photo

£800-1,000

2546 ☒

3d. Plate 8 singles (3) and single from Plate 9, 1872-73 6d. wing margin pair and single from Plate 11 and 1864-79 2d. from Plate 14, all tied by London duplex to 1872 (15 Nov.) entire letter to Japan "via Brindisi", the reverse with Hong Kong and Yokohama d.s. Some paper loss on reverse otherwise fine and most striking. Photo

£350-400



2546A

2546A ★

10d. red-brown, RF, unused with part original gum, very fresh appearance and a scarce stamp. B.P.A. Certificate (2021), also with pencil note on reverse "Alcock £10, May 1962". S.G. 112, £2,250. Photo

£1,500-2,000

2547 ☒

10d. pale brown, with 1d. Plate 145, each perfin "SM&Co" (Samuel Montague & Co) on envelope Registered to Amsterdam; the perfin initials on the 10d. misplaced resulting in a portion of the stamp being removed on application to the envelope; faults on the reverse, nevertheless a rare franking. S.G. 113

£100-120



2547A

2547A ★

10d. deep red-brown, Plate 1, QC, part original gum, of very fresh, fine appearance. R.P.S. Certificate (2014). S.G. 114, £2,750

£2,000-2,500

The Rare Plate 2 ‘Abnormal’



2547B

2547B	10d. red-brown, Plate 2 , LL, well cancelled by barred numeral “w.c./33”, unusually fine for this very rare and important stamp. B.P.A. Certificate (1979). S.G. 114var, £12,500	£12,000-15,000
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1872-73



2548

2548 ★田

6d. grey, plate 12, QE-RF wing margin block of four, part to large part original gum; horizontal crease through lower pair an RE pin hole. Fine appearance and thought to be one of only seven blocks recorded. S.G. 125. Photo

£800-1,000

1867-83

Watermark Maltese Cross



2548A

2548A ②

5/- imperforate imprimatur, Plate 2, DJ, large margins all round with traces of original gum, very fine and from the scarcer plate. Photo

£3,000-4,000

- 2549 ⑤ 5/- rose, CC, overprinted "SPECIMEN" (Type 6), large part original gum, light vertical bend otherwise fine and scarce. S.G. 126s, £1,100 £100-150



2550

2552

- 2550 ○ 5/- DF cancelled by undated concentric circles, 10/- BJ cancelled by Cardiff Docks 25.04.82 d.s., and Watermark Large Anchor, white paper 10/- LE, cancelled by Bonchurch 05.03.94 d.s. Generally fine. S.G. 126, 128, 135, £6,250. Photo £600-800
- 2551 ○ 5/- rose, Plate 1: GE, crisp Grangemouth c.d.s. of 22 July 1872; the odd missing perf at right otherwise fine and with fresh colour. S.G. 126, £675 £100-150
- 2552 ★ 5/- pale rose, plate 1, CF, unused with some gum; exceptionally well centred for this stamp with good perforations and, unusually, in the pale shade associated with plate 2. A highly pleasing example of this stamp which is difficult to find so well centred. S.G. 127, £9500. Photo £1,800-2,000

PROVENANCE:

Joanne and Edward Dauer, April 2014



2552A

- 2552A ★ £1 brown-lilac, GJ, large part original gum, centred a low, but of good colour and freshness. An attractive example of this rarity. Brandon Certificate (2024). S.G. 129, £75,000 £25,000-30,000

1867-83 - *contd.*

Watermark Large Anchor, White Paper



2553

x2553 ○

£5 orange, DH, cancelled by Edinburgh c.d.s of 11 July 1883, fine and attractive, paper fraudulently blued S.G. 137 £3,600. Photo

£400-600

1873-80

Watermark Orb

2554 ☒

2½d. rosy mauve, Plate 12, Plate 13 (3) and Plate 14 to make to 1/- ½d. rate on entire to Porto, London "95" duplex cancellations of 13 June 1879 and arrival (18.6) on reverse; filing fold clear of the adhesives. **A most unusual entire showing three different Plates.**; Plate 17, JJ-JK, tied by London duplex to 4 Feb. 1880 entire to Bordeaux. Also 1880-83 4d. grey-brown, Plate 18 tied by Richmond/Surrey squared circled 03.08.83 d.s. to envelope addressed to Sierra Leone. A scarce trio

£300-400

Watermark Spray of Rose



2555

2555 ☒

3d. rose, Plate 11, with 1856-76 2d. Plate 14 on entire letter to Paris and each stamp with superb **red oval "PD" cancellations** with another strike alongside, red framed "L2", arrival c.d.s. (7.10.73) on the reverse; horizontal filing fold and the 3d. with a few very minor perf faults. A truly stunning cover. S.G. 143, 47. Photo

£1,000-1,200

2555A ☒

1/- orange-brown, LD with wing margin at right, tied by Manchester squared circle to 1881 (24 Feb.) envelope to New Zealand "San Francisco", the reverse with Auckland d.s. Fine

£200-250

Watermark Large Garter

2555B

- x2555B ⑩ 4d., Plate 15 imperforate colour trial in pale orange-brown, lettered EK, clear margins all round, fine unmounted mint. S.G. 152var £80-100
- 2556 ☒ 8d. orange, tied by "357" Hereford duplex cancellation of 15 March 1877 to envelope (flap missing) to Central India, Sea Post Office arrival datestamp (28.3) on reverse; a little wrinkled, fine. S.G. 156 £120-150
- 2557 ☒ Watermark Anchor, white paper: 2½d. rosy mauve, Plate 2 on entire to Nova Scotia, Watermark Orb 2½d. Plate 7 on entire to Cadiz, Plate 10 on entire to Valencia, 2½d. blue Plate 20 (2) on entire to Porto with London fancy Geometric cancellations, watermark Spray 6d. grey Plate 15 with 1d. Plate 203 (2) on envelope to India, re-directed on arrival, watermark Garter 4d. sage-green Plate 16 with ½d. Plate 11 on large part front to Genoa, 1880-83 watermark Crown 2½d. Plate 23 on envelope to Australia and Plate 22 off cover with St. Malo c.d.s.; good to fine £250-300



2558



2559

- x2558 ⑩ 1878 die proof of the Queen's head on uncleared surround, dated 'May 18 1878' on white glazed card, fine and rare. Photo £150-200

1880-83

- 2559 ★田 3d. rose, Plate 21, block of four lettered PI-QJ; a couple of faint creases, lightly mounted mint; fine. S.G. 158, £2,000+. Photo £500-600

1880-81



2560

2560 ☒

1d. Venetian red, tied by Greenock '163 duplex to 1880 (25 Aug.) envelope, possibly from Islay bearing blue cachet "POSTED ON BOARD THE/"GAEL"/ROYAL MAIL STEAMER", together with picture postcard depicting the steamer. Fine and rare. Photo

£1,200-1,500



2561

2561 ☒

1d. Venetian red strip of three, tied by Lairg '237' duplex to 1880 (16 Dec.) envelope to "Hudson Bay Cos Store, Van Couver's Island, British Colombia", the reverse with Windsor and Victoria d.s. Scarce, the cover would have travelled by train from Windsor, Ontario with the Hudson Bay Company store receiving mail for collection. Photo

£300-400

x2562

A mint and used group on pages of 1d. lilac overprints used in the British Empire comprising British Bechuanaland 1d. lilac handstamped 'SPECIMEN' in violet, used examples (22) including multiple of fourteen cancelled by c.d.s's of 'PALLA 6 Sep 93', Bechuanaland Protectorate overprinted 'SPECIMEN'(2) and unused examples (14) including singles, a block of four and a pair, used (16) including vertical pair tied to envelope to Bulawayo by Palapye c.d.s, Mafeking 3d. on 1d. lilac used (3), Niger Oil Rivers 1d. bisected on small piece, mixed condition though an interesting and valuable selection

£400-800

1883-84**White Paper**

- x2563 ★ An unused selection comprising 2/6d. lilac (3) including an example on blued paper (Brandon Certificate 1980), 5/- rose, AD, perforation 12 and overprinted "SPECIMEN" type 9, large part original gum, slightly mixed condition £300-400
- 2564 ★ 5/- rose lettered DC, lightly mounted mint; very fine. S.G. 180 £150-200

1884, WATERMARK THREE IMPERIAL CROWNS

2565

- 2565 ★ £1 brown-lilac, GC, in an unusually pale colour, large part original gum; there is a light vertical gum bend at left and gum wrinkle. Well centred, a desirable example of this difficult stamp. Dena Certificate (1950) and signed on the reverse. S.G. 185, £28,000. Photo £3,000-4,000
- PROVENANCE:
Joanne and Edward Dauer, April 2014

1888, WATERMARK THREE ORBS

2566

- 2566 ★ £1 brown-lilac, TD, wonderful, full original gum with only the barest traces of mounting, superb freshness and an important rarity as such, S.G. 186, £45,000. Photo £8,000-10,000

1883 OR 1884

- 2567 © 1½d. to 1/- part set of nine, each overprinted "SPECIMEN" (Type 9), large part original gum, the 3d. and 9d. only with slightly foxed perfs otherwise fine and scarce. S.G. 188s-196s, £1,740 £200-300
- 2568 ★ 2d. lilac, 9d. and 1/- dull green, all part to large part original gum, typically brown and crackled; generally good though the 9d. and 1/- with minor bends. S.G. 189, 195 and 196, £3,080 £200-300



Ex 2569

- 2569 ★ 2½d. vertical pair, 2d. and 6d. blocks of four, the latter with part marginal ornament, mostly large part original gum, the lower pair unmounted mint, a fine and scarce trio. S.G. 189, 190, 194, £3,190+. Photo £400-600
- 2570 ☒ 1886 (March) envelope from London to "St. Vincent, Cape de Verde Islands", redirected to Montevideo, bearing 4d. tied by London squared circle, marked "By Italian Packet" and "If left please forward"; the reverse struck with a range of British, French, Italian and Uruguayan markings. Some wear to envelope, as to be expected for one so travelled, but a scarce destination £250-300
- 2571 ☒ 6d. dull green, tied by "646" Ripon duplex datestamp of 5 March, 1885 to envelope addressed to New Zealand, Wellington and Wanganui transits (29.4), Waitara (30.4) arrival; small opening faults, scarce. S.G. 194 £120-150
- 2572 ☒ Small selection of six covers, including 3d. on yellow Notice of Objection wrapper, 4d. on cover from Bromley to Montevideo, 5d. on mourning cover from Bury St. Edmunds to Hong Kong, another from Exeter to Shanghai and another on envelope from London to Washington, also 5d. off cover; good to fine £250-300

1887-92 'JUBILEE' ISSUE

- 2573 ○ 2d., 2½d., 3d., 5d. and 1/-, all cancelled by clear "BALTA SOUND" mail bag seal cancellations in black; fine and scarce £250-300

2½d. Imperforate Pair



2573A

- 2573A ★ 2½d. pale purple on blue paper horizontal pair from the upper left of the sheet, **variety imperforate**, large part original gum, very fine and possible the unique pair. S.G. 201var, Spec. K31(1)aa, £22,000 £15,000-20,000

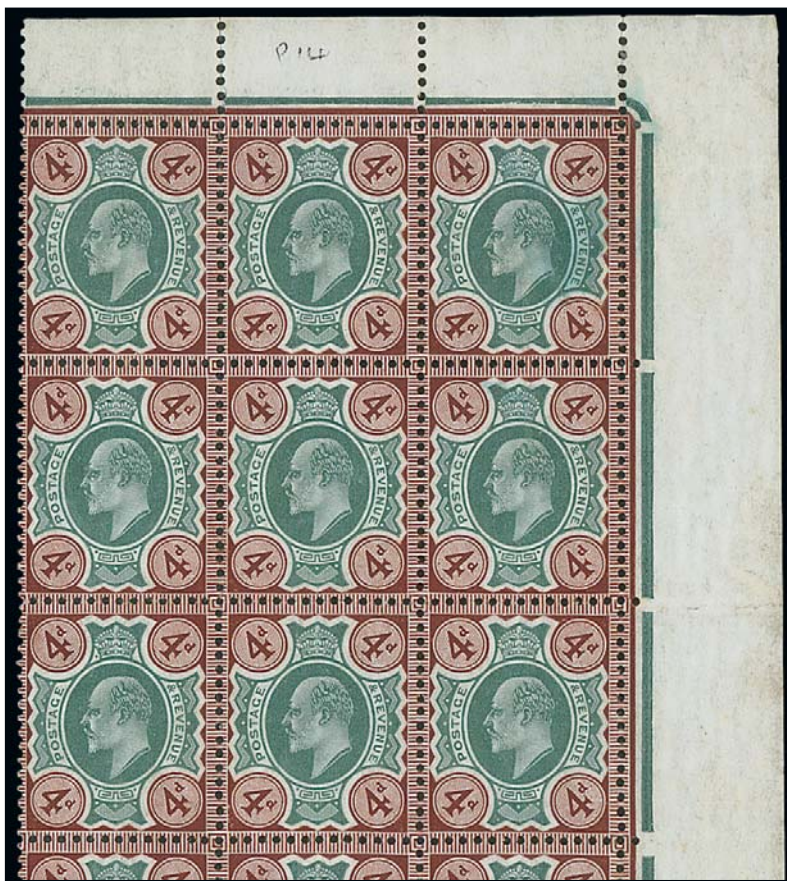
Notes: This is the basis of the listing in the Stanley Gibbons Specialised, Vol. 1, Pg. 266 stating that it originated from a registration sheet.

PROVENANCE:
Latto Shaida

- 2574 ☒ 4d. green and purple-brown and 1881 1d. lilac tied by Oyne d.s. to 1896 (24 Sept.) 2d. Registered Stationery envelope to Reykjavik, marked "Per S.S. "Laura", the reverse with Leith and Reykjavik d.s. Fine and scarce £200-300

KING EDWARD VII ISSUES

- 2575 ★ 1902-11 mint specialised collection of the different shades arranged in a Frank Godden album with custom made pages, neatly written up and including ½d. 1902 (2), 1904 (2), 1911 perf. 14 (7) and 1911 perf. 15 x 14, 1d. 1902 (3), 1911 (7) and 1913 (5), 1½d. 1902 (2), 1905 (2) and 1911 (7), 2d. 1902 (3), 1906 (3) and 1911 (2), 2½d. 1902 (3), 1911 perf. 14 (3) and perf. 15 x 14, 3d. 1902 (2), 1906 (4), 1911 perf. 14 (3) and 15 x 14 (3), 4d. 1902 (2), 1906 (2), 1909 (2) and 1911 (2), 5d. 1901 (2), 1906 (2) and 1911 (3), 6d. 1902 (2), 1906 (3), 1911 (7), 1912 (3) and 1913 perf. 14 (2, coated or chalk-surfaced paper), 7d. 1912, 9d. 1902 (3), 1905 (4) and 1911 (3), the slate-purple with R.P.S certificate (2014), 10d. 1902, 1906 (4, incl. very rare slate-purple and deep (glossy) carmine, light horizontal crease, only visible from rear and with Hendon certificate (2008) and 1911 (8), 1/- 1902 (3), 1905 (4) and 1911 (5), 1911 2/6d. dark purple, 1912 5/- carmine, 1912 10/- (all three shades, one with Sismondo certificate (2007) noting gum bends) and 1902-11 £1. Slightly mixed condition but the majority are very fine, high catalogue value, an enjoyable collection with room for expansion £3,000-4,000
- 2576 ☒ Selection of eleven items, including 1d. on mourning envelope with St. Annes on the Sea squared circle cancellation of 1 Jan. 1902 (first day), 1902 large envelope from London to Paddington franked ½d., 1d. (2), re-directed to Venice and taxed 5c., 20c. and 50c., 1903 1d. postal stationery envelope, additionally franked 3d. and with Express label, 1907 envelope to Egypt, re-directed to Yokohama with three Japanese re-direction slips attached, 1910 envelope to Berlin franked 2½d. and 3d. with Express label, 1912 advertising cover from London to Dublin, etc., mixed condition, etc.; mixed condition. An interesting group £300-400
- De La Rue**
- 2577 ★ ☒ 1½d. pale dull purple and green on chalky paper **block of sixty (12x5)** [R11/1-R15/12] from head plate 5, duty plate 5; R12/10 showing damage to NE frame line and R15/12 with breaks in shading to duty tablet. The majority of the stamps unmounted except eight on which there is some perf. reinforcement, a diagonal crease affecting four stamps in the top let and single minor gum blemish on one stamp mentioned only for the sake of accuracy, nevertheless a very fresh, large multiple, rare in this form. S.G. 233, Spec. M9(1), £4,100+ £600-800
- PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009
- 2578 ★ ☒ 2d. grey-green and scarlet on chalky paper **block of eighty-four (12x7)** [R9/1-R15/12] with interpanneau margin beneath upper two rows, from head plate 2, duty plate 3; another of small plate flaws including R9/1 unlisted tablet flaw, R10/2 shading below “d” thinned. Unmounted except just seven stamps, single horizontal fold along perforations otherwise very fine and fresh. Spec. M12(4), £6,475+ £800-1,000
- PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009
- 2579 ★ ☒ 4d. green and chocolate-brown on chalky paper **block of thirty (3x10)** [R11/10-R20/12] representing the three further right vertical columns from head plate 4a, duty plate 10; R20/12 showing head plate date cut. Unmounted with the exception of just two stamps, horizontal fold along perfs between row 5 and 6 otherwise very fine and most attractive. S.G. 236a, Spec. M24(1), £2,160+. Photo £400-600
- PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009
- 2580 ★ ☒ 6d. pale dull purple **block of seventy-two (12x6)** [R8/1-R13/12] with interpanneau margin between row ten and eleven, the upper three rows separated and rejoined to interpanneau with hinge reinforcements, additionally rejoined between the sixth and seventh columns various bends though the majority still unmounted and a rare multiple. S.G. 245, Spec. M31(1), £4,800+. Photo £400-600
- PROVENANCE:
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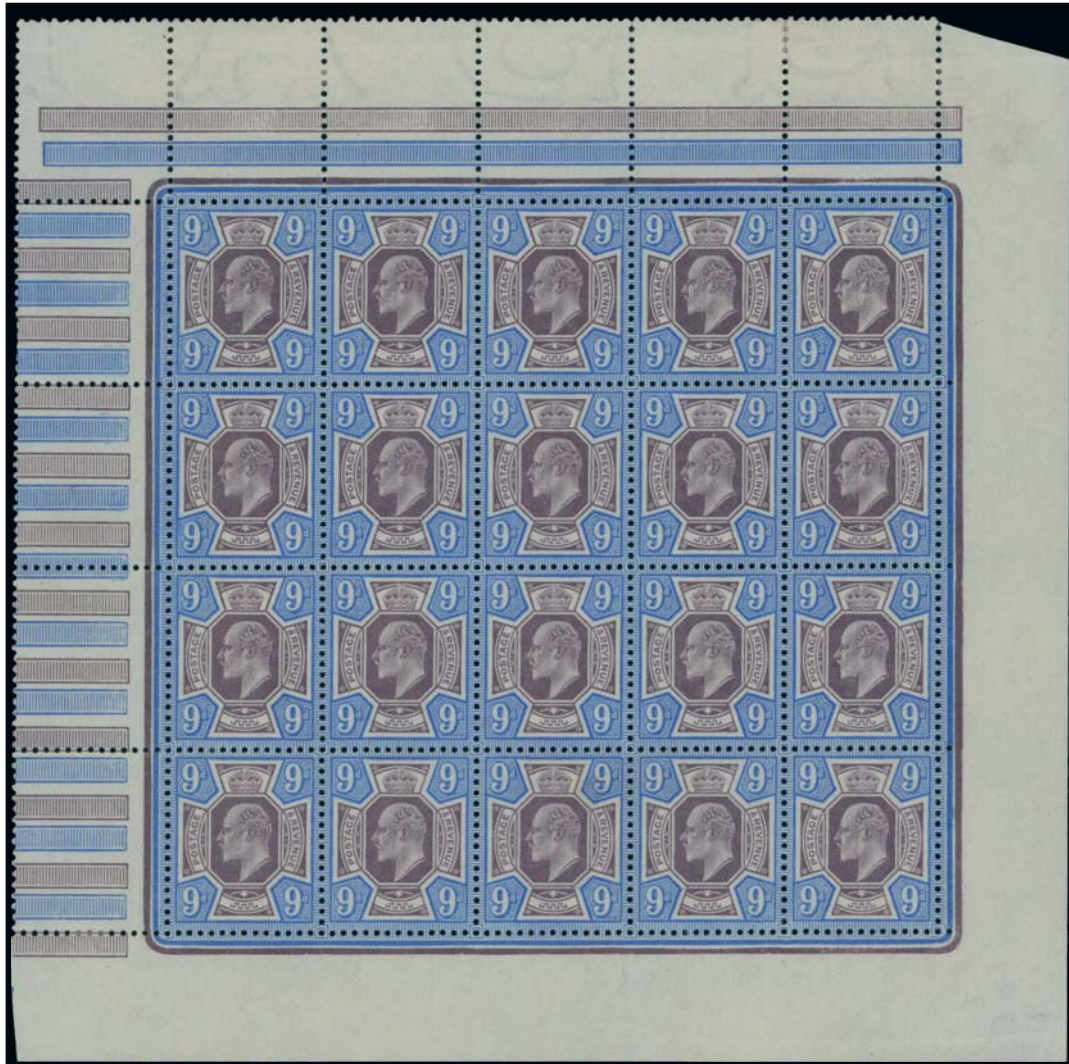


2579 (detail)



2580 (detail)

King Edward VII issues, De La Rue - *contd.*



2580A

2580A ★ 

9d. dull purple and ultramarine in brighter shade, a complete pane of twenty (5x4), all except one stamp unmounted mint, very fine and rare in this form. Hendon Certificate (2023). S.G. 250, £5,500. Photo

£1,800-2,000

Harrison and Sons



2581 (detail)

2581 ☼ B

4d. bright orange **block of sixty** (12x5) [R1/1-5/12] being the upper quarter of the sheet and the upper half of the upper pane, from plate 7a; vertical perf. fold between sixth and seventh row resulting in perf. splitting, entirely unmounted mint and of wonderfully fresh colour. S.G. 286, Spec. M27(1), £3,600. Photo

£400-600

PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009

Somerset House

2582 ★ B

1½d. dull purple and green **block of twenty-four** (12x2) [R19/1-R20/12] being the lower two rows from plate H6c/D7, stat 1 showing some head plate cuts, a few vertical bends, only four mounted, the remainder unmounted, a superb bright colour and a rare multiple. S.G. 288, Spec. M10(5), £1,320+

£300-400

PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009

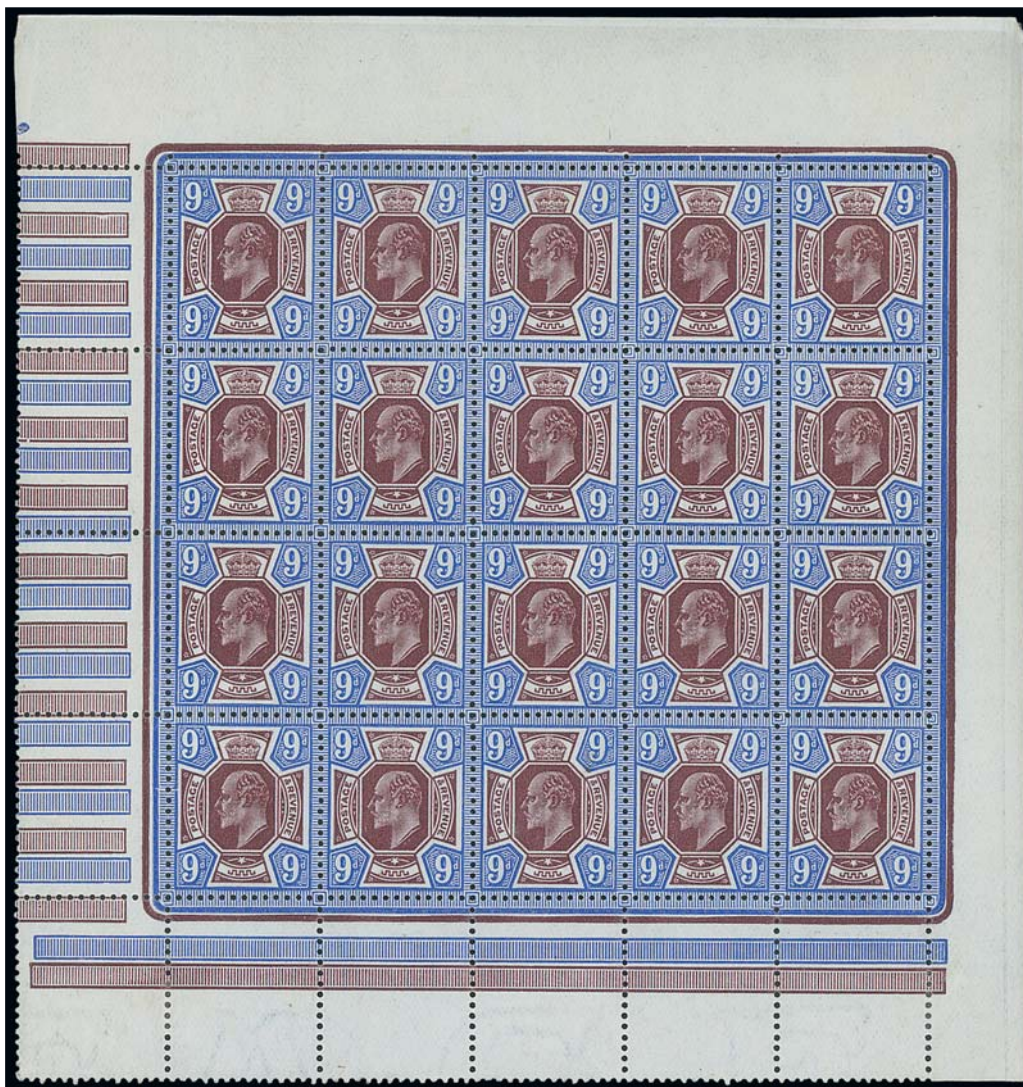
2583 ☼ B

2d. deep dull green and carmine **block of twenty-four** (12x2) [R19/1-R20/12] from head plate 4c., duty plate 4, showing date cuts and added diagonal cut under R20/11 and SW corner substitution of duty plate 3; just two stamps mounted leaving the remained unmounted mint, a rare multiple. S.G. 291, Spec. M13(2), £1,610+

£300-350

PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009

King Edward VII issues - *contd.*



2584

2584 ★ ㊦

9d. deep dull reddish purple and deep bright blue **complete pane of twenty** (5x4) from head plate 2a, die plate 1 showing crack in duty plate rule above R1/4; unmounted except single stamp, diagonal gum bends affecting five stamps, otherwise fine and a beautiful example of this shade. S.G. 306a, Spec. M41(2), £3,895+. Photo

£800-1,000

PROVENANCE:
Aurelius, 2009



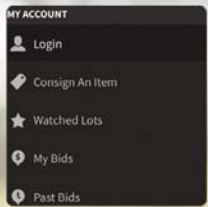
2585

- 2585 ★田 5/- carmine, a block of four; mounted on one stamp only leaving the others superb unmounted mint. S.G./ 318, £3,000+. Photo £1,000-1,500
- 2586 ☒ ½d. and 1d. tied by Greenock d.s. to 1902 (7 Aug.) newspaper wrapper addressed to Ahmedabad, India, the wrapper struck with superb “POSTED ON BOARD S.S. FAIRY QUEEN/LOCK ECK/ARGYLLSHIRE” violet cachet overstruck by Ahmedabad arrival d.s. in black. Fine and scarce £400-600
- 2587 ☒ 1d. bisected diagonally from left to right, tied by Inverary d.s. to 1903 (7 July) picture post card depicting the ‘Lord of the Isles’ with manuscript note reading “*Half penny stamps all done & post office shut.*”. Fine and appealing £150-200

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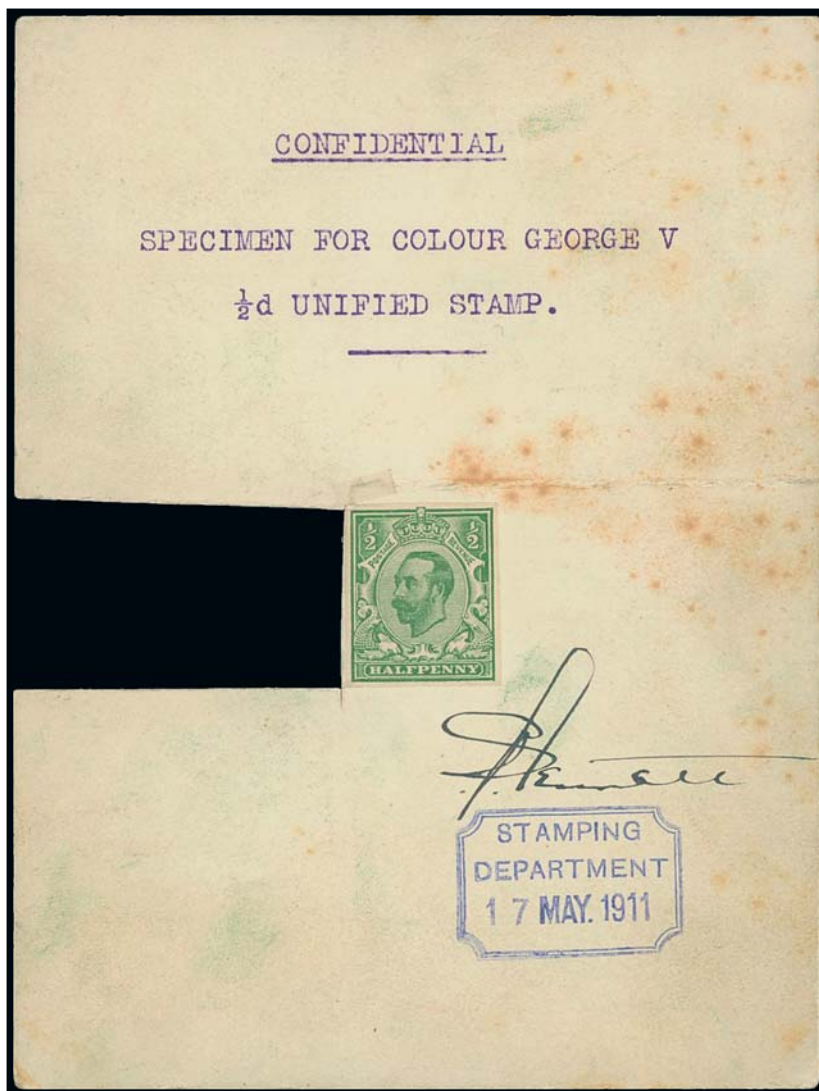


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KING GEORGE V ISSUES

1911-12 'Downey Head' Issues

- 2587A 1911 (4 April), four pieces of proof paper printed (on one side only) in shades of green similar to the issued or proposed colours for the ½d. value, the pieces measuring between 55x18mm. and 76x20mm. and each affixed to a separate piece of card which shows an ink manuscript notation (thought to be in the hand of Edward Rigg of the Royal Mint) with the relevant details pertaining to the different papers used: 1) "Stamp Paper, Calendered, gummed and watermarked" (Imperial Crown); 2) "Enamel Card"; 3) "Proof Paper"; 4) "Stamp Paper, not Calendered". The Post Office records include a copy letter sent from the Director of the Royal Mint to the Post Office, advising them that he was enclosing a "batch of prints of the 1d. and ½d. stamps and trust that these may suffice" (the 'stamps' refer to these paper trials rather than the actual printed postage stamps); Also 1934-36 Photogravure Seven pieces of thin glazed proof card, measuring between 57x90mm. and 77x90mm., each showing a different colour swatch using inks very similar to those used for the issued stamps, the swatches applied across the centre of each card with a roller and showing ink manuscript notations relating to the proposed colour/value scheme: "½d. dirty green", "1d. red", "2½d. blue", "3d. violet", "9d. green", "10d. azure blue", the last without apportioned value and merely inscribed "magenta", three show amendments in the same hand with other suggested values crossed through. Possibly the only known examples of paper/ink trials for the ½d. value in private hands. £200-300
- 2587B Hentschel Zinc Block Essays, a proof in black of the second essays with thinner figures of value, showing the 2d. and 3d. values printed together on thick wove paper (105 x 137 mm.), also a piece of identical blank wove paper (45 x 137 mm.) presumably cut from the left of the original complete block of six impressions, showing pencil manuscript "2nd Proof", some light creasing (one runs between the stamps) and a few marginal pinholes well clear of the designs and in absolutely no way detracting from the stunning appearance of this exceedingly rare item- thought to be the only known example with no complete sheet showing all six values recorded in private hands. Specialised £7,000+ £300-400
- 2587C A trio of trials: 7d. small format half tone essay, examples in blackish purple and bronze-green, printed together on piece of thin wove paper; 7d. and 1/- Hentschel trials in purple on pink wove paper, cut close and affixed to a piece of wove paper (30x62mm.) which shows ink manuscript "S.P./95" and "Art Purple on Rose" in the margins; and 10d. Hentschel trial on white wove paper (60x52 mm.) with handstruck "MB/94" in black above the design and pencil manuscript "Payne Grey 221". Generally fine. £250-350
- 2587D ½d. Die 1A, an imperforate example in the issued colour, affixed to a thick card (105x141mm.), showing typewritten "CONFIDENTIAL/SPECIMEN FOR COLOUR GEORGE V/½D. UNIFIED STAMP", signed "Seymour Bennett" and with purple "STAMPING/DEPARTMENT/17 MAY 1911" handstamp adjacent. It is believed that this is the actual colour standard used by Harrison & Sons, and that the rectangular portion of the card cut away at left was to allow it to be placed over a sheet of stamps to compare the colour. The card with some slight stain spotting though in no way detracting from the most important item. Photo £300-400



2587D



— 2587E —

2587E

1/2d. Die 1A die proof in dull yellow-green on unwatermarked glazed paper and die proof in dull green with uncleared borders on thick card; both cut to size and fine. Spec. £7,000, Photo

£300-400

King George V Issues, 1911-12 'Downey Head' Issues - *contd.*

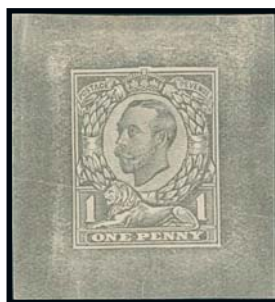


2587F



2587G

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| 2587F | <p>1/2d. green, Die 1A imprimatur on gummed, watermark Crown paper, good to large margins all round with part original gum; fine and unique in private hands. R.P.S. Certificate (1994) states "stamp R16.2 (official plate 4/4), only example taken from one of sheets from first Die 1A printing on 30th. May 1911", it also states "slightly faded" which seems overly harsh as the colour is quite fresh. Specialised £7,000 Photo</p> | £400-600 |
| 2587G | <p>1/2d. green, Die 1A, watermark Imperial Crown, variety partial 'kiss print' of the frame line and diadem at the top of the stamp, light machine cancellation; fine and with fresh colour, most unusual. Photo</p> | £300-400 |
| 2587H | <p>1/2d. Die 1b imperforate trial in green on gummed paper watermark Multiple Cypher, a block of twelve (3x4) from lower-right corner of the sheet, unmounted mint (hinged in margins only); diagonal gum crease across five stamps in no way detracting. Very fine and fresh. A rare multiple</p> | £400-600 |



2587I

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| 2587I | <p>1d. Die 2, a die proof in dull grey from Stage 1a, with uncleared surrounds, on unwatermarked proof paper (34x37mm.), horizontal crease through the design. Extremely rare. Specialised £4,750. Photo</p> | £300-400 |
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— 2587J —



2587K

2587J 1d. Die 1b imperforate colour trial in carmine on white, unwatermarked and ungummed wove paper, good to large margins; also 1d. deep bright scarlet watermark Simple Cypher inverted overprinted “specimen” type 22 and showing variety **white flaw above right value**, slight bend otherwise fine. A scarce duo Photo. £300-400

2587K 1d. Die 2 watermark Simple Cypher, scarlet shade, a fresh example from the foot of the sheet with “B 13” control (wide spacing) and **showing additional marginal bar at the foot of the selvage**, part original gum; light gum bends or wrinkles in no way detracting £150-200

1912-24 Watermark Simple Cypher



2587L

2587L 7d. olive-grey, an imprimatur with just clear to very large margins, part original gum; vertical bend though not apparent on the surface and in no way detracting from the fine and fresh appearance. Unique in private hands. R.P.S. Certificate (1982). Specialised £7,500. Photo £400-600

King George V Issues, 1911-12 'Downey Head' Issues - *contd.*

1913 Waterlow



———— 2587M ————

2587M ©

2/6d. deep sepia-brown, 5/- rose-carmin, 10/- indigo-blue and £1 green, each overprinted "SPECIMEN" (Type 26) and additionally diagonally handstamped "COLONIAS" in violet, some small faults, otherwise fine with gum. Each with R.P.S. Certificate (1978) stating "Genuine - Status unknown". Most unusual

£3,000-3,500

PROVENANCE:
Chartwell, May 2012

1915-18 De la Rue



2588

2588 ★田

2/6d. sepia (seal-brown), a block of four; lightly mounted on two stamps only, very fine and fresh. S.G. 408, £1,750+. Photo

£400-500

1918-19 Bradbury Wilkinson



Ex 2589

2589 ★田

5/- rose-red and 10/- dull blue, each in a large part original gum block of four; the 10/- with light horizontal crease at top and one with tiny thin spot. Well centred and fine appearance. S.G. 416, 417. Photo

£700-800

King George V issues - *contd.*

1924-26 Watermark Block Cypher

- 2590 ♂ ½d. green, a horizontal strip of five variety **watermark sideways-inverted**, unmounted mint; also a second strip of five with **watermark sideways** very fine. S.G. 418a, 418aWi, £3,300+ £500-700

1924-25 Wembley

- x2591 © 1924 1d. scarlet and 1½d. brown overprinted "CANCELLED", type 28, both mounted mint, fine and rare. Specialised. Ncom1v, Ncom2v, £2,200 £300-400

1929 Postal Union Congress

- 2592 ○ 2½d. blue, **watermark inverted**, cancelled by part datestamp; some creasing not detracting from the fine appearance, a scarce stamp. S.G. 437Wi, £1,100 £100-150



2593

- 2593 ♂ £1 black, unmounted mint from the lower left corner of the sheet (hinged in the margin); well centred but most interestingly shows the left hand vertical perfs. slightly misplaced. S.G. 438. Photo £250-300

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1934-36 Photogravure



2594

x2594 ⑥ ⑥

The essay for the unissued 6d. value, a block of six (3x2) from the foot of the sheet in purple on gummed, watermark block cypher paper, perforated 15x14, each stamp handstamped "CANCELLED" (Type 28), unmounted mint; some minor bends that in no way detract from the importance of this remarkable essay, believed unique in private hands. Specialised £108,000++. Photo

£18,000-20,000

PROVENANCE:

The Monarch Collection, Spink, 8th May, 2008, Lot 932 where it sold for £52,000

LITERATURE: Illustrated on page 178 of the Specialised catalogue, Volume 2, 14th. Edition, July 2015

1934 Re-Engraved

2595 △

10/- indigo, two horizontal pairs, tied to parcel tag by London 07.02.38 d.s., the reverse with 1934-36 4d. and 1/- values. Scarce.

£80-100

KING GEORGE VI ISSUES



2596

2596 ☉

1937 ½d. pale orange, **imprimatur tête-bêche pair**, handstamped 'NP IMPRIMATUR' on the reverse; superb unmounted mint. Spec. £15,000. Photo

£3,000-3,500

PROVENANCE:

National Postal Museum Archive



2597

2597 ☉

1937 7d. emerald-green, **imprimatur horizontal pair**, handstamped 'NP IMPRIMATUR' on the reverse; superb unmounted mint. Spec. £6,500. Photo

£1,000-1,500

PROVENANCE:

National Postal Museum Archive



2598

2598 ★田

1941-42 2½d. block of four, variety **imperforate on three sides**, cut slightly roughly from the sheet at lower left otherwise fine, mounted on the upper pair only and lightly creased, otherwise fine and very rare. S.G. 489, 4893, £5,750++. Photo

£1,500-2,500



2599

2599 ☉

1941-42 2½d. ultramarine, horizontal pair from the left of the sheet, variety **imperf**, unmounted mint, very fine. Murray Payne Certificate (2010). S.G. 489c, £3,500. Photo

£600-800



2600

x2600 ☉🇬🇧

½d. green and 2½d. ultramarine, lower-left corner control blocks of six (both A37) and each stamp overprinted "CANCELLED" (Type 33); very fine unmounted mint. Specialised Q1s, Q13s. Photo

£700-900

2601 ★

A mint group with sets with booklet panes, including 1938-48 set with 10/- dark blue and £1 block of four, 1946 Peace issue 2½d. and 3d. overprinted "SPECIMEN" and affixed to small piece, each with manuscript annotation beneath reading "Issued 11.6.46" with extra porthole and seven berries varieties, 1948 set with 3d. corn flaw, Postage Due 1937-38 set, 1951-54 set with ½d. bright orange, 1948 Royal Silver Wedding **£1 complete sheet of twenty** ex Joicey, also Guernsey, Jersey 1943-44 ½d., 1½d. and 2d. complete sheets of sixty, Ireland with 1937 set of three, 1940-68 set of seventeen. Generally fine, 1937-48 and some Ireland mounted

£400-600

QUEEN ELIZABETH II ISSUES

x2602 ★	1959-68 'Castles' mint specialised collection mounted on twenty five written up pages with stamps identified by types and printings. Generally fine including some unmounted stamps. A good lot for the specialist	£100-150
x2603 ☼	1958 Wilding 4d. ultramarine, vertical pair from the top of the sheet variety imperforate between the top stamp and margin and 1965 1/6d. 20th Anniversary of U.N., horizontal pair variety dramatic colour shift of blue to the left with normal for comparison; both superb unmounted mint. S.G. 576 var., 682 var	£250-350
x2604 ☼	1959 3d. deep violet 'Dollis Hill Phosphor Trial', horizontal pair on gummed, watermark crowns (upright) paper, with one 4mm. phosphor centre band printed over the ink; unmounted, fine and scarce. Spec. ST7(3)e	£50-100
2605	1964 4/6d. booklet, containing 3d. deep lilac panes (3), the second pane part imperforate (the upper strip of three) , with a small tear caused by the original owner not realising the pane was imperforate, very rare. S.G. 575lc, £1,200	£250-350
x2606 ☼	1964 Opening of Forth Road Bridge Presentation Pack without cellophane, fine and scarce. S.G. 659-660, £325	£100-150



2607

2607 ☼	1971 (25 Aug.) 100Th Anniversary of Rugby Football 9p. multicoloured, variety myrte-green omitted (affecting trousers and rose leaves), superb unmounted mint condition, offered with normal for comparison, one of the rarest modern Great British errors with only three mint examples known. the variety is listed by Stanley Gibbons but unpriced mint, the last example we offered for sale sold for £5,800. Brandon Certificate (2004). S.G. 889c. Photo	£4,000-6,000
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2608

2608 ☼	1973 (18 Apr.) 9p. multicoloured, variety grey-black omitted , superb unmounted mint condition, offered with normal for comparison. Brandon Certificate (1990). S.G. 927c, £3,750. Photo	£400-600
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2609

2609 *

1973 (15 Aug.) Inigo Jones 3p. se-tenant pair, variety **deep mauve printed double**, unmounted mint; very fine and rare. Brandon Certificate (1998). S.G. 935ac, £3,750. Photo

£700-900

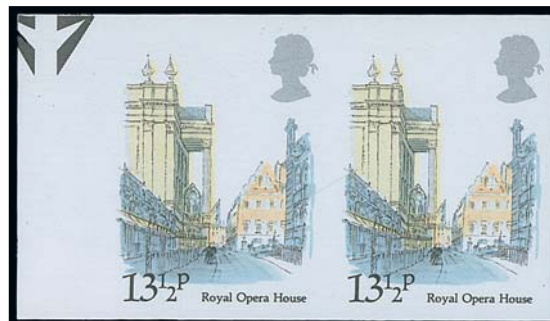


2610

2610 *

1976 Centenary of the Telephone 8½p. multicoloured, vertical strip of three from the foot of the sheet variety **imperforate between lower stamp and sheet margin (the lower stamp also imperforate on three sides)**, very rare with only ten mint examples known; superb unmounted mint. Brandon Certificate (2006). S.G. Spec. W382b, S.G. 997 var. Photo

£200-300



2611

2611 *

1980 13½p. Royal Opera House, horizontal pair from the left of the sheet, variety **imperforate**, superb unmounted mint. S.G. 112a, £1,800+. Photo

£450-550

2612 *

1988 Christmas 14p. multicoloured, a horizontal strip of four from the right of the sheet, variety **right pair imperforate (adjoining strip partially imperforate)**, superb unmounted mint, rare. S.G. 1414b, £1,500+

£350-450

Queen Elizabeth II Issues - *contd.*



2613

2613 ⊛

1988 Christmas 19p. multicoloured, a block of twelve from the lower-right corner of the sheet with traffic lights, variety **imperforate apart from at left, resulting in four imperforate pairs**, striking and rare with only thirty such mint pairs known; superb unmounted mint. S.G. 1415a, £3,400+. Photo

£1,000-1,200



2614

2614 ⊛

1991 (8 Jan.) 22p. King Charles Spaniel, horizontal strip of three variety **imperforate**, full original gum; fine. S.G. 1531, £1,100 (for pair). Photo

£200-300

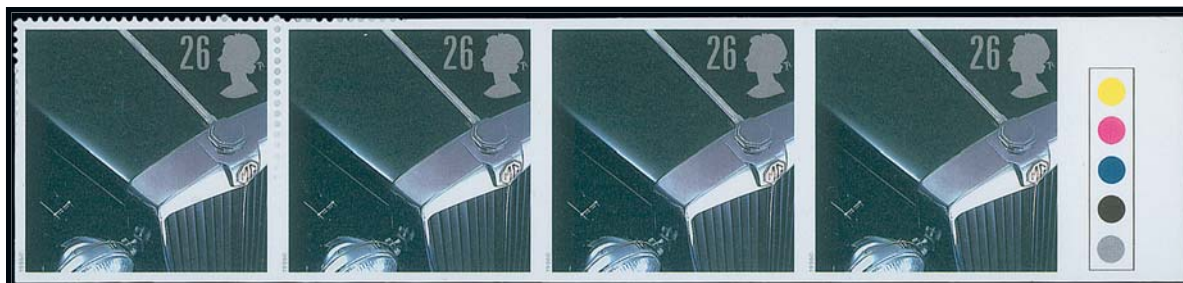


2615

2615 ⑩

1995 Christmas Robins, 2000 reprint with se-tenant Christmas Greeting, the **Queen's head and value printed in red only on white**; a sheet of twenty of these somehow got onto the market presumably of proof status. Photo

£150-200



2616

2616 ⑩

1996 Classic Sports Cars 26p. horizontal strip of four from the right of the sheet, variety **imperforate pair and with the other pair at left being partially imperforate**; exceedingly rare and a very visually striking error, only six pairs known. S.G. 1946a, £2,500++. Photo

£400-600



2617



2618

x2617 ⑩

1998 Joyce Grenfell 37p. variety **30p. error of value**, superb unmounted mint. B.P.A. Certificate (2002). S.G. 2043 var., see footnote, £1,800. Photo

£400-600

2618 ⑩

1998 Joyce Grenfell, error of value **30p. for 37p.** prepared for use but not issued, superb unmounted mint, offered with normal for comparison; B.P.A. Certificate (2008). S.G. note after 2045, £1,800. Photo

£500-600

OFFICIALS

- 2619 1880-91, a mostly Specimen group with Inland Revenue 1880-81 6d. pair, all overprinted "SPECIMEN" showing some attempt to remove the overprint, 1887-92 ½d. vermilion and 1887-1900 ½d. vermilion blocks of four, 1887-1892 2½d. single and pair; Army Official 6d. purple on rose/red block of four with interpanneau margin at foot, full original gum, light crease to lower right, B.P.A. Certificate (2008) ;Government Parcels 1883-86 1/- orange-brown, 1887-90 1½d., 6d., 9d. and 1/- used, 1891-1900 2d. grey-green and carmine, large part original gum, B.P.A. Certificate (2008). Mixed condition. Cat. £4,200+ £300-400

Inland Revenue



2619A

- 2619A ★ 1884-88 5/- rose, MD, **overprinted in blue-black ink**, of exceptional freshness and colour, large part original gum, very fine and a rare stamp. R.P.S. Certificate (1996). S.G. O9b, £14,000. Photo £8,000-10,000



2619B

- 2619B ★ 1884-88 10/- **cobalt** on white paper, CD, lightly mounted mint, very well centred and a beautiful example of this rare stamp. B.P.A. Certificate (1965) and small, indistinct handstamp on reverse. S.G. O9c, cb, £18,000. Photo £18,000-20,000

PROVENANCE:
Baron de Worms, 1938



2619C

2619C

1884-88 £1 brown-lilac, **watermark Orbs**, NB, large part original gum, a superb mint example with wonderful freshness for this major Great Britain rarity. B.P.A. Certificate (1986). S.G. O12, £85,000. Photo

£50,000-60,000

- 2620 ☒ 1887-92 2½d. purple on blue, tied to long O.H.B.M.S. envelope to Turks Island, London duplex cancellation of 17 April 1900, transit and arrival markings; vertical filing fold well clear of the adhesive and some wrinkles, fine and scarce. S.G. O14 £200-250

Office of Works

- 2621 △ 1902-03 ½d. blue-green, **horizontal pair**, tied to piece by Manchester datestamps of Oct. 22 1903; fine. A scarce used multiple. S.G. O36 £100-150
- 2622 ★ Army Official 1902-03 ½d., 1d. and 6d. (Type O4) in blocks of four, and Government Parcel 2d. yellowish-green and carmine-red marginal strip of three; generally fine with one or two bends all large part original gum except 6d. which is unmounted. "d. strip and 6d. block with B.P.A. Certificates (2008). S.G. O48-O50, O75, £1,060 £200-300

Board of Education



2623

- 2623 ★ 1902 2½d. ultramarine, large part original gum which is typically off-white. A fine example of this scarce stamp. B.P.A. Certificate. S.G. O85, £3,500. Photo £2,000-2,500

Government Parcels



2624

- x2624 ★ 1883-86 9d. dull green, large part original gum, very fresh and fine. B.P.A. Certificate (2006). S.G. O63, £2,750. Photo £200-250



2625

2625 ★田

1891-1900 2d. grey-green and carmine **block of four**, overprinted “SPECIMEN” (Type 9), large part original gum, fine and rare. S.G. O70, £1,200. Photo

£200-300



2626

2626 ★田

1891-1900 1/- green and carmine **block of four** from the foot of the sheet, part original gum with some paper adhesion in the margin at foot, very fine, fresh appearance and a rare multiple. B.P.A. Certificate (2008). S.G. O72, £2,600. Photo

£300-400

2626A ⊕

1902-03 6d. pale dull purple **block of four** Army Official (overprinted Type O4), B.P.A. Certificate (2008); Government Parcels 1902 1d. scarlet **block of four**, B.P.A. Certificate (2008), and 9d. dull purple and ultramarine with interpanneau margins, overprinted “SPECIMEN” (Type 16), R.P.S. Certificate (2002). All unmounted mint and fine. S.G. O50, O74, O77, £1,240

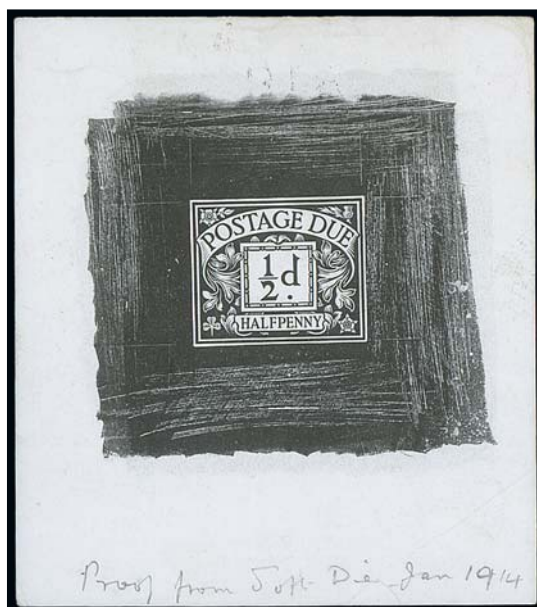
£250-300

POSTAGE DUES

2627

1914-70, a predominantly mint range in a small blue stock book including 1914-23 2d. agate colour trial without "SPECIMEN", carmine, Bartolozzi brown and blue green all overprinted "SPECIMEN" 1d. pale carmine, 2½d. chestnut (2), 4d. dull grey-green corner marginal strip of three with "Q 20" control and single with same control, 1/- bright blue and deep bright blue, 1924-31 3d. printed on the gummed side (B.P.A., 2011) and printed on experimental paper (watermark 111a), 5d. brownish cinnamon, 2/6d. purple on yellow (2), 1936-37 2/6d. purple on yellow, 1937-38 values with 4d. (2), 1951-54 ½d. bright orange-yellow marginal block of four and single with broken "2" in "½", 1954-55 Tudor Crown values with 4d. block of four and imperf. pair, 2/6d., St. Edward's Crown 2/6d. and 5/-, 1959-70 values with blocks, a used range and some mint duplicates. Generally fine and a valuable collection. Cat. c.£6,000+

£600-800



2628



2629



2630

2628 ⑥

1914-23 ½d. die proof with uncleared surround, in black on glazed card (69x78mm.), marked in pencil "Proof from Soft Die Jan 1914" and numbered "817" on reverse, fine. Spec. £5,750. Photo

£600-800

PROVENANCE:

'Chartwell', May 2012, Lot 1200 where it sold for £1,700

2629 ★

1955-57 2/6d. purple on yellow, **variety Edward's Crown watermark sideways inverted**, full original gum with only the slightest traces of mounting, very fresh and rare. B.P.A. Certificate (2006). S.G. D46wi, **unpriced mint or used**. Photo

£400-600

2630

1968-69 4d. blue **variety, with PVA gum**, unmounted mint. R.P.S. Certificate (1994) mentioning "*stained front and back*" which relates to small perf. imperfection to the fourth tooth from the foot along the left, otherwise fine and rare. S.G. D71v, £2,250. Photo

£250-300

BOOKLETS

- 2631 ○ 1913 2/- edition 31 (missing one pane of ½d.) and 1916 edition 57 (complete), precancelled voucher copies, clipped perfs. and covers creased. Rare. S.G. BB6, BB9 £200-300
- x2632 1924 (Feb.) 3/- black on scarlet booklets (4), serial numbers 191, 208, 209 and 265, all complete with three panes of 1½d., and one pane each of the 1d. and ½d.; front cover adverts include "Creme Shalimar", "Punch", "BP" and "Bovril". Perfs. clipped as usual otherwise generally fine with few cover wrinkles. S.G. BB24, £2,125 £300-400

POSTAL STATIONERY



2633



2634

- x2633 ☒ 1846 De La Rue security wrapper essay with blind embossed "801/AUG 22ND/1846/REGISTERED/DE LA RUE & CO." and blue ribbon tie threaded through envelope. Fine and rare. Photo £300-400
- x2634 ☒ 1846 De La Rue security wrapper essay with blind embossed "801/AUG 22ND/1846/REGISTERED/DE LA RUE & CO." and blue ribbon tie threaded through envelope. Fine and rare. Photo £300-400
- Notes: An abstract from a letter dated 20 July 1964, penned by G.L. Newman, an archivist at De La Rue, notes "A search of the Patent Office under 'Patents, Trade Marks & Designs' has met with no success. It has been suggested that the number '801' is a Post Office coding. This is a specimen of Thomas de la Rue's work which is entirely new to us..."*
- 2635 △ Selection of cut-outs on Hagner pages, many hundreds, with values to 1/-, chiefly Queen and Edward VII but some later, mostly used, a few unused with overprinted "SPECIMEN", dies, albino errors; 1895-97, ten ½d. + 2d. long envelopes, each addressed to *Hon: G.W. Williamson, Grenville, Grenada, W.I.* and uprated by 1887 Jubilee 2½d. and 5d. to make additional frankings of 5d., 7½d., 10d. or 1/0/½d., arrival datestamps etc., mixed condition £300-400
- 2636 ☒ 1d. pink envelope addressed to Banff, cancelled by framed "NEW POTSLIGO" handstamp in black, the reverse with Mintlaw and Banff 29.07.59 d.s., filing fold though attractive and scarce £200-250
- 2637 ☒ 1879 ½d. postcard, additionally franked 1d., used from Glasgow to Bavaria, 1872 1d. pink envelope, additionally franked 1d. Plate 151, from London to Hamburg, 1894 1d. envelope additionally franked 1d. Plate 171, 1887½d. (2) Registered from Birmingham to Plymouth, 1879 2d. envelope, additionally franked 1d. Plate 187 from London to Austria; fine £100-150

Postal Stationery - *contd.*

- 2638 ☒ 1903 (15 Sept.) KEVII Admiralty Official ½d. green post card to Edinburgh cancelled by well struck Ullapool single line d.s. Fine and scarce £200-300
- x2639 ☒ Envelopes: An unused and used selection (300+ items) contained in a carton, including 1d. pink (various types, dies, papers, Maltese Cross cancellations, additional frankings) 1890 Penny Postage Jubilee (17 unused and 12 used, mostly with inserts, George VI 2½d. overprinted "SCHOOL/SPECIMEN", Printed to Private order with advertising, Registered envelopes, etc., varied condition but an interesting lot for the specialist £500-600

POSTAL FISCAL STAMPS

- x2640 The valuable and comprehensive Collection, well written up on forty double exhibition pages, including **Receipt Stamps** with Postal Notice "*New Penny Receipt Stamp*", 1853 Die I 1d. blue imprimaturs from Plates 1, 2 and 4, also a single used on 1882 Liverpool local cover, issued stamps with Thin semi-transparent paper (pair, block of four), Die II blocks of eight and twelve, blued paper used block of four, **Draft Stamps**, 1853 1d. ochre imprimaturs (2), issued stamps with block of four (2, one on semi-transparent paper), 1855 1d. reddish lilac imprimaturs (3), issued stamps with no watermark variety, 1856 1d. reddish lilac with imprimatur from Plates 11 and 12, 1857 1d. with imprimaturs from plates 17, 18, 19, 23, 25, 31, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, issued stamps with imperf. single, glazed paper, 1860 overprinted "INLAND REVENUE" with three unused, postal and fiscal usage, 1860 1d. lilac, 1860 3d. postally used on Registered covers to Llandaff and Berlin, 1860 6d. reddish lilac unused and postally used on Registered cover to Devon, 1864 3d. overprinted "**specimen**", 6d. (3 unused and 3 fiscally used), 1867 1d. with imprimaturs (3), 3d. (2 unused), 6d. overprinted "**specimen**", blocks of four (2 shades), single used in Malta, used on Registered covers to Cardiff and Switzerland, **Samuel Allsop & Sons** unused pair, block of eight and used pair, 1867 1d. Plate Proof block of sixteen in black, imprimatur from Plate 4, 1868 1d. with Die Proof marked **after striking**, imprimaturs (40), 1876 1d. with Die Proofs dated Mar. 8, Mar. 16 and Mar. 17, Jul. 22 and Aug. 4 1876, 1878 1d. Die Proof marked **before hardening**, colour trials in light brown, rose-carmine (block of four), imprimatur (13), 1881 1d. perforated colour trials (4), imprimatur, (small Anchor) 3d. and 6d. (2) unused, (large Anchor) 3d. and 6d. (4) unused, 6d. Postally used, **Embossed Inland Revenue Stamps** 1860-71 imperf. 2d., 3d. pair and the famous **unique block of 19 containing three te-b che pairs**, 6d., 9d., 1/- single and pair, 2/6d. (single handstamped "SPECIMEN"), 2/6d. single and pair, all unused, 1861-71 perf. 2d., 1/-, 2/6d. unused, 1875-80 2d. (2), 9d., 1/-, 2/6d. (2 singles and block of nine), all unused, 1882 2/6d. (3 used), etc., the condition throughout is good to superb. A marvellous opportunity to purchase intact an award winning collection which still has the possibility of being expanded. Fully illustrated on Spink Live £40,000-50,000

TELEGRAPHS

- x2641 1889-1903, a selection of "Post Office Telegraphs" embossed forms including Queen Victoria 1889 10d. pale blue plain and on buff (TP55, 56), 1895 10d. brown size B (TP58a), King Edward VII 1904 6d. purple overprinted "SPECIMEN" (TP17s), 1903 10d. brown overprinted "SPECIMEN" (TP59aa) (2), 10d. brown (TP59a), 10d. brown (TP59cc) and 1903-09 10d. brown (TP59bb). Fine and a good assembly £150-200

RAILWAYS

- x2642 A mint and used range of mostly railway letter types (c.35) arranged on hagner pages over various trainlines including West Clare 2d. block of four and South Eastern 2d. used on envelope alongside 1881 1d. within London, a few parcel stamps including London and North Western and North Easter Railway with L.N.E.R. 3d. used alongside KEVIII ½d. and 1d. on envelope marked urgent to Bradford. An interesting group £300-400

CHANNEL ISLANDS



2643



2644

x2643 ☒

Alderney: undated front to Wexford, Ireland marked "Private Steamer, Southampton" bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown (FA), clear margins tied by '324' of Guernsey with faint 'Alderney' undated double arc. Also two pieces, one with 1841-53 1d. red-brown horizontal pair (BG-BH), mostly clear margins, the other with single (DC) cut into at top, both with indistinct 324 barred numerals and good strikes of the 'Alderney' undated double arc. A good group. Photo

£300-350

PROVENANCE:

Front - 'Newport' DC - Brooks

x2644 ☒

Alderney: 1848 (June) entire to London bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown (TC), cut into at foot and right, tied by '965' barred numeral of Aldersey with superb strike of the rare double arc undated Aldersey handstamp in black; the reverse with Guernsey and London d.s. for 22.06 and 23.06. Entire with some reinforced tears otherwise fine and a wonderful, early example of this rare handstamp. Photo

£800-1,000

x2645 △

Alderney: two pieces, both bearing single 1841-53 1d. red-brown (BE, AB) with clear margins all round, tied by '965' barred numerals with 'Alderney' undated double arc d.s. alongside, AB with particularly fine strikes. Fine and rare

£200-250

PROVENANCE:

BE - Spink, June 2007



2646

x2646 ☒

Catel: 1851 (26 June) envelope to Edinburgh bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown (OI) with good margins all round, tied by '324' barred numeral of Guernsey, the envelope cancelled by 'Catel' undated double arc handstamp in black, the reverse with Guernsey 27.06 blue d.s., and receiving / transit marks for 28.06, 29.06 d.s. in red and black. Envelope a little foxed and roughly opened though an enormously rare mark, there being only five known in this colour, and six in total. Photo

£250-300

Channel Islands - *contd.*

- x2647 ☒ St. Martin's: 1854 (1 April) envelope to Macclesfield bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown (LH) with clear margins all round, small nick in lower right margin, tied by '324' barred numeral of Guernsey, the envelope struck with 'St. Martin's' undated double arc d.s., the reverse with Guernsey, London and Macclesfield d.s. Also 1858 (6 July) envelope bearing perforated 1d. red tied by Guernsey duplex, the reverse with 'St. Martin's' undated double arc handstamp in blue alongside London 09.07 d.s., very fine. A rare duo £400-500
- PROVENANCE:
The latter ex Brooks
- x2648 ☒ St. Sampson's: 1852 (Oct.) envelope to Tottenham Green bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown (IJ) diagonal crease, clear margins all round, tied by '324' barred numeral of Guernsey, the envelope struck by 'St. Sampson's' undated double arc handstamp in orange-yellow, the reverse with Guernsey 05.08 d.s. in blue and red arrival marking. Scarce £250-300
- x2649 ☒ St. Sampson's: 1856 (Feb.) envelope to Edinburgh bearing perforated 1d. red-brown tied by indistinct barred numeral, the envelope stuck with 'St. Sampson's' undated double arc handstamp in green. Fine and scarce £250-300
- PROVENANCE:
Brooks, March 2018
- x2650 ☒ St. Sampson's: 1852-60, five envelopes including 1852 (Sept.) to Devonport with undated double arc in reddish ink; 1853 (18 March) to Guernsey with undated double arc in yellow-orange; 1858 (23 Oct.), both bearing 1841-53 1d. red-brown; 1858 (23 Oct.) and (5 Nov.) envelopes to London, the reverse with undated double arc in blue, all bearing single frankings of perforated 1d. red; and 1860 (17 Jan.) sent registered to Jersey with undated double arc in blue, bearing perforated 1d. red irregular block of four and horizontal strip of three tied by '324' barred numeral of Guernsey and Guernsey d.s. Generally fine and a scarce assembly £500-600
- x2651 ☒ 1872-1920 extensive postmark collection (c.50+, the majority on envelope) including "AUGRES/JERSEY" undated handstamp (6) on envelopes sent registered or registered with postal stationery cut outs (4), "CHEAPSIDE/JERSEY" code "C" cut out d.s. (2), "CONWAY ST./JERSEY" d.s. on p.p.c.. "DAVID PLACE/JERSEY" (4) with two cut outs, p.p.c. abd 2d. registered envelope, "GEORGE TOWN/JERSEY" Type C, Code C d.s. on p.p.c., "GOREY/JERSEY" Type B d.s. on envelope, Jersey squared circle, "HAVRE DES PAS/JERSEY" d.s. on Jersey Havre-des-Pas (JHP) parcel post label, "MILLBROOK" 12.03.74 Code A d.s., "ROUGE-BOUILLON/JERSEY" Type C d.s. on Certificate of Posting, and Code B cut-out example; also a range of rubber date stamps (21) on post cards including St. Brelades Bay, Trinity with 05.06.07, a very early date; also 1898 (13 July) envelope from France to St. Helier bearing 15c., struck with hexagonal "T/10" and oval "2d./409". Also a selection of literature with "*The Postal History of the Guernsey Sub-Post Offices*" and "*The Post Office in the Smaller Channel Islands*", David Gurney, "*LL the Louis Levy Postcards of the Channel Islands*", Stanley Newman, "*The 1942 Jersey 1/2d. Arms*", Ian Griggs, "*Eine Plattenstudie der Jersey 1d - Wappenmarke*", Olaf Beecken, "*Emissions Locales et Affranchissements de Guerre Des Iles de la Manche*" and "*Jersey and Guernsey Slogan Postmarks of the 20th Century*" Generally fine and an excellent lot for the specialist £800-1,000
- x2652 ☒ 1892-1979, an interesting postal history collection well written up on pages including Postage Dues with strikes of "1d./2", "1d./409" (2), "1d./TO PAY/409", "2d./409", hexagonal "T/manuscript 16/JE", hexagonal "T/10/JE", various instructionals including boxed "UNDELIVERED FOR REASON STATED/RETURN TO SENDER" (2), boxed "Liable to Letter Rate/409", "Contrary to regulations/409", script "*Too Late*", 1940s Occupation Sub-Offices on cover with Beresford Street, Cheapside, First Tower, Five Oaks, Gorey, Havre de Pas, La Rocque, Rouge Bouillon, Samares, Sion, St. Aubin, St. John's Church, St. Mary's, St. Martin's, St. Peter's, St. Ouen's, Stopford Road. A good group £400-600

- x2653 ○ 1883-84, white paper 2/6d. (3) cancelled, 10/-, 1887-92 Jubilee 4½d. and £1, all cancelled by Jersey parcel post cancellations, a few faults though a rare group £200-250
- x2654 ○ 1902-11 3d., 2/6d. (2), 5/-, 1/- and £1 (2) with Official 1902-03 1d., all cancelled by Jersey parcel post handstamps, condition a little mixed though a scarce group £300-350
- x2655 1901-14, a range of Parcel Post labels (20) including "Jersey (JE)" (3), "Jersey (St. Helier's) (JE)" (5), "Jersey Beresford Street", "Jersey David Place", "Gorey Village (under Jersey)", "Grouville (under Jersey)", "Jersey JHP (Havre des Pas)", "Jersey Harve-des-Pas (JHP)" (2), "La Rocque (under Jersey)", "Millbrook (MBX)"; also Customs Declaration forms (2). The majority with stamps, though some with stamps lifted, a good group £300-400



2656

- x2656 F△ 1911-13 £1 Lowden lithographic forgery, hinged to piece to which it may well have belonged and 'cancelled' by 'Jersey' parcel post handstamp. Fine and scarce. Photo £250-300

COLLECTIONS AND RANGES

- 2657 1840-2012 mainly mint collection arranged in six Stanley Gibbons albums housed in a box including 1840 1d. and 2d. (both used), 1858-70 ½d. plate 5, 1d. plate 94 and 1½d., 1855-57 4d., 1862-64 3d. (2), 6d., 9d. (no gum) and 1/-, 1865-67 3d. plate 4, 4d. plate 9 and 6d. plate 5, 1867-80 3d. plate 6, 6d. plates 6 (3) and 9, 9d. plate 4, 10d. plate 1, 1/- plate 4 and 2/- pale blue plate 1, 1867-83 watermark Maltese Cross 5/- plate 2 unused (faults) and used (2, both plates) watermark anchor white paper 10/- used (Glasgow c.d.s.), 1872-73 6d. chestnut and pale buff, 1873-80 3d. (2, plates 14 and 16), 6d. plate 13, 1875 2½d., 1876-80 2½d. rosy mauve and blue, 1876 8d., 1880-83 ½d. to 2½d., 1881 1d. (2, 14 and 16 dots), 1883 3d. on 3d. and 6d., on 6d., 1883-84 ½d. to 3d., 5d., 1/-, 2/6d., 5/- and 10/- pale ultramarine all on white paper, 1887-1900 'Jubilee' to £1, 1902-13 K.E.VII mint set (1911 £1), 1911 perf. 15 x 14 set, 1911-12 Downey heads 1½d. and 1d., 1912-24 set, 1913-18 Waterlow 2/6d., 5/- and 10/-, 1924-26 set, 1929 to £1, 1934-26 set, 1934 Seahorses, K.G.VI and Q.E.II issues complete incl. all Castles printings, decimal commemoratives to 2014 incl. regionals, Machins, miniature sheets, London 2012 Olympics/Paralympics booklets, postage dues complete to 1982, officials incl. Government Parcels 1887 1/-. Early stamps in slightly mixed condition, generally fine and unmounted from 1887. Good face value, huge total catalogue value, direct inspection advised to fully appreciate this lot £6,000-8,000
- 2658 Collection housed in seven albums contained in a carton, issues to 2010, including 1840 Mulready 1d. letter sheets (2), 1840 1d. (4), 2d. (2), 1864-79 1d. Plate 156 block of 12, 1870-79 ½d. Plate 3 block of four, 1847-54 Embossed 1/- pair, 1883-84 2/6d. and 5/- part original gum, 1887-92 4½d. pane of 20, 1891 £1 green (QC-QD and SA-TA pairs, the TA Plate 3 without frame breaks), 1902-10 1d. Control A pair with part of the design omitted, 1912-23 1½d. "PENCF" error contained in a block of four, 1924 and 1925 Wembley set in blocks of four, 1934 re-engraved 2/6d. and 5/-, 10/- block of four (used), 1939-48 2/6d. to £1 the set in blocks of four, 1948 Silver Wedding £1 block of four, 1951 2/6d. to £1 blocks of four, 1955-58 2/6d. to £1 in blocks of four, 1988 £1 to £5 blocks of four and presentation pack, 1992-95 £1 to £5 in corner blocks of four, 1993 £10 corner block of four, Officials, etc., mixed condition but many fine £4,000-5,000

x2659 ○	1840-1934 used collection arranged in two hagner pages including 1840 1d. (3), 1884 £1 (with Raybaudi certificate), 1887-92 £1, 1902-10 £1, 1913 £1. Mixed condition, an interesting lot	£800-1,200
2660	Selection on stockcards and loose, including 1873 entire to Paris franked 1½d. (pair), 1879 Trade card franked ½d., 1879 2d. Registered envelope from Birmingham to London franked 1½d., 1890 (c.) Court Bureau 1d. tied to piece, 1895 envelope to New York franked 1887 2½d. tied by Paquebot cancellation, 1898 envelope to London franked 1887 2½d. tied two Marseille Du Rhone datestamps, 1934 Air Mail label Proof block of six without black overprint, 1934 Rocket Post cover from Brighton to Danzig, 1944 German Propaganda forgeries of 1935 Jubilee ½d. and 1937 Coronation 1½d., Nicolas Barony Cigarette card depicting Rowland Hill, Twinings Tea Rare Stamps (series 2) set of 30 cards, etc., chiefly good to fine	£400-500
x2661	1840-1924, a small range including 1840 1d. black Plate 1a, 4, 7 (small repair) and 8, all with four clear margins and cancelled by red Maltese Crosses, 1873-80 2½d. rosy-mave Palte 4 and 13, both used, 1911 Harrison ½d. dull green showing dramatic pre-printing paper fold, unused with large part original gum and R.P.S. Certificate (1985), 1924-25 dated 1924 1d. and 1½d., unused. Generally good	£300-400
2662	Mostly mint collections of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney and Isle of Man housed in six albums, contained in a carton, issues to 2007, largely complete, including values to £10, miniature sheets, self adhesives, values to £10, a few first day covers, etc., chiefly fine	£200-300
2663	Old to modern, mint and used collection housed in three boxes, arranged in albums and with envelopes containing hundreds and hundreds of loose stamps from Queen Victoria, also some postal history. Mixed condition, a careful sorting will be rewarding	£150-250
2664	Selection housed in three albums contained in a carton, including covers, pieces, slogan cancellations, 1955-58 10/- and £1 on plain first day covers etc., mixed condition	£150-2,300

LITERATURE

2665	“Supplement to the Line Engraved Postage Stamps of Great Britain Printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co” y E.D. Bacon (1929), “The Essays, Proofs, Colour Trials & Re-Prints of the Line Engraved Postage Stamps of Great Britain printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co. by E.D. Bacon (1936) with the blue Proof sheet of engine turned backgrounds (Specialised DP9c, £1,500), privately bound together with a green cloth and leather binding; fine	£250-300
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3.2.3 Many items are of an age or nature which precludes their being in perfect condition and some descriptions in the catalogue or given by way of condition report make reference to damage and/or restoration. We provide this information for guidance only and the absence of such a reference does not imply that an item is free from defects or restoration nor does a reference to particular defects imply the absence of any others.

3.2.4 Other than as set out in clause 5.13, and in the absence of fraud, neither the Seller nor we, nor any of our employees or agents, are responsible for the correctness of any statement as to the authorship, origin, date, age, attribution, genuineness or of any Lot nor for any other errors of description or for any faults or defects in any Lot. Every person interested should exercise and rely on his own judgment as to such matters.

3.2.5 Lots identified with an NFT symbol or wording to that effect are subject to all clauses of this section 3. There are many risks associated with buying, owning, using, storing and transferring an NFT, including but not limited to the following risks (which you accept) of: cyber-attacks, phishing, hacking, bruteforcing, mining attacks, malware, viruses, loss or corruption of data, changes of protocols, changes and obsolescence of technology, technical incompatibility, forgotten passwords, lost private keys or the NFT or the digital asset related to it otherwise becoming inaccessible or deleted, incorrectly programmed or constructed NFTs, errors or malfunctions affecting the proper functioning or content of Digital Wallets, or affecting the record on the Blockchain, or the accessibility of the digital asset, and other technical errors and malfunctions, as well as financial risks and uncertainties as to the future value and marketability of NFTs, price volatility, taxation and regulatory requirements in relation to NFTs, and/or of the digital asset to which the NFT relates, and/or of associated Digital Wallets and Blockchain transactions in any relevant jurisdiction, third-party service providers or hosts going out of business or otherwise ceasing to provide the services on which the storage, use and transfer of the NFT depends, or such services being disrupted, NFTs being wrongfully attributed to an incorrect online digital wallet or wrongfully minted in breach of third-party rights, artists making and distributing additional copies of the digital asset or artwork to which the NFT relates, and artists assigning intellectual property rights in the digital asset or artwork to which the NFT relates to third parties. All of these and other risks may

(i) have a materially adverse effect on your enjoyment and the value of the NFT; and

(ii) lead you to lose the NFT, data and transaction records associated with the NFT, your ability to exercise the rights granted, or the Price you have paid for the NFT. You should also consider the implications of your personal data associated with buying an NFT being stored on a publicly accessible Blockchain.

3.2.6 We do not independently review or verify NFT identification, including but not limited to any metadata associated with the NFT, details of the Blockchain on which the NFT is located, processes governing how the NFT can be accessed and therefore make no representations and give no warranties:

(i) that such information is complete and accurate;

(ii) as to the authorship, attribution, authenticity, origin, date, age, period, provenance, source, material, condition, value, marketability, or any other characteristics of the Lot;

(iii) as to the technical details, security, accessibility, usability, transferability, integrity, or any other technical characteristics of the NFT, the digital asset to which the NFT relates, or the Blockchain on which it is located;

(iv) as to the terms of the Smart Contract governing the NFT if the NFT is subject to a Smart Contract, including as to the scope of the rights granted and/or of any obligations or restrictions associated with the NFT, such as any obligation to make additional Smart Contract

Payments, including any resale royalty, commission or fee on the sale or transfer of the NFT, or the amount of any such payment, or restrictions on future transfers of the NFT, or as to its lifespan or expiry; and
(v) as to any other characteristics of and risks associated with and/or inherent to NFT's, the digital assets to which they relate, or Blockchain transactions, and our description of any Lot, and any statements and opinions expressed by us, shall not be construed or relied upon as such.

3.2.7 Transfer of ownership of a Lot identified as containing NFT does not generally mean that you acquire any intellectual property rights to reproduce or exploit the image(s) corresponding to the digital asset or physical item(s) contained within the Lot, unless expressly stated in the description and followed by a copyright assignment to the buyer of the Lot, providing the full amount due has been paid by the buyer. Any assignment of copyright which is associated with a Lot containing an NFT shall only become unconditional and effective upon the transfer of the NFT from us to the Buyer. Transfer of the NFT from us to the Buyer shall only be initiated once the Buyer has confirmed receipt of the Physical Items and Digital Items included in any Lot containing an NFT.

3.3 Your Responsibility

You are responsible for satisfying yourself as to the condition of the goods and the matters referred to in the catalogue description.

3.4 Extensions sought at time of sale – Stamps, Covers and other philatelic items (collectively “Philatelic Item(s)”)

3.4.1 If you wish to obtain an expert opinion or Certificate of Authenticity on Philatelic Items in any Lot (other than a mixed Lot or Lot containing undescribed Philatelic Items) you must notify us in writing **not less than forty-eight hours** before the time fixed for the commencement of the first session of the sale.

3.4.2 At the time of making the request you shall provide the reasons why such an opinion or certificate is required by you and specify the identity of your proposed expert which will be subject to agreement by us.

3.4.3 We reserve the right, at our discretion, to refuse a request for an expert opinion or Certificate of Authenticity including (without limitation):

3.4.3.1 where the proposed expert is not known to us; or

3.4.3.2 where the request is made based solely on account of condition where an existing opinion or Certificate of Authenticity to which the Philatelic Item(s) is to be sold by us in relation to cites other faults or defects not included in the catalogue description. You acknowledge that any Philatelic Item(s) accompanied by a Certificate of Authenticity is sold on the basis of that Certificate only and not on the basis of any other description or warranty as to authenticity; or

3.4.3.3 where there is already a recognised certificate relating to the item that was issued less than 5 years ago from the date of the request; or

3.4.3.4 where we will submit the Lot to the Expert Committee.

3.4.4 You acknowledge and accept that the length of time taken by an Expert Committee to reach an opinion will vary depending on the circumstances and in any event is beyond our control.

3.4.5 If you receive any correspondence from the Expert Committee in relation to the Lot, including but not limited to a Certificate of Authenticity, you must provide us with copies of such correspondence no later than 7 days after you receive such correspondence.

3.4.6 You acknowledge that, notwithstanding that a certificate or opinion has been sought under this clause 3.4, you shall pay for the Philatelic Item(s) on receipt of the invoice from us in accordance with the applicable payment provisions set out in these Terms and Conditions, and such money shall be held by us until the certificate or opinion has been issued.

3.4.7 Upon a certificate or opinion being issued by the Expert Committee that does not indicate any material fault in the Philatelic Item(s) that would allow you to return the item, we shall pay to the Seller the relevant proceeds of sale and deliver to you the Philatelic Item(s) once received back from the Expert Committee.

3.4.8 Upon a certificate or opinion being issued by the Expert Committee that does indicate a material fault in the Philatelic Item(s) that would allow you to return the item, we shall refund to you the money paid by you for the Philatelic Item(s) and shall return the Philatelic Item(s) to the Seller.

4 AT THE SALE

4.1 Refusal of admission

Our sales usually take place on our own premises or premises over which we have control for the sale, and we have the right, exercisable at our complete discretion, to refuse admission to the premises or attendance at an auction. You will only be eligible to bid on Lots which include NFT(s) if you have a valid online Digital Wallet in your name and under your control.

4.2 Registration before bidding

All bidders must be registered either by completing a registration form or creating an account online. Please be aware that we usually require buyers to present identification before making a bid at auction, undergo a credit check or provide a trade reference.

If you have not bid successfully with Spink in the past, or you are registering with us for the first time, we reserve the right to require a deposit of up to 50% of the amount you intend to spend. Such deposit will be deducted from your invoice should you be successful. If you are unsuccessful at auction, your deposit will be returned by the same means it was paid to Spink.

Some Lots may be designated, prior to the auction, as “Premium Lots”, which means a deposit may be required before placing a bid on the item for sale. Information will be posted on our website in such an event.

4.3 Bidding as Principal

When making a bid (whether such bids are made in person or by way of telephone bids operated by Spink, commission or online or email bids), you will be deemed to be acting as principal and will be accepting personal liability, unless it has been agreed in writing, at the time of registration, that you are acting as agent on behalf of a third party buyer acceptable to us.

4.4 Commission Bids

4.4.1 If you give us instructions to bid on your behalf, by using the form provided in our catalogues or via our website, we shall use reasonable endeavours to do so, provided these instructions are received not later than 24 hours before the auction. If we receive commission bids on a particular Lot for identical amounts, and at auction these bids are the highest bids for the Lot, it will be sold to the person whose bid was received first. Commission bids are undertaken subject to other commitments at the time of the sale, and the conduct of the auction may be such that we are unable to bid as requested. Since this is undertaken as a free service to prospective buyers on the terms stated, we cannot accept liability for failure to make a commission bid. You should therefore always attend personally if you wish to be certain of bidding.

4.4.2 Lots offered by timed auction are available for sale online only. At any time before the closing time you can place a bid equal to a minimum bid or a higher bid. You could also place your maximum bid and we will bid on your behalf increasing the price in increments to keep you in the lead up to your maximum bid. Placed bids cannot be cancelled or decreased.

4.5 On-line Bidding

We offer internet services as a convenience to our clients. We will not be responsible for errors or failures to execute bids placed on the internet, including, without limitation, errors or failures caused by (i) a loss of internet connection by either party for whatever reason; (ii) a breakdown or problems with the online bidding software and/or (iii) a breakdown or problems with your internet connection, computer or system. Execution of on-line internet bids on www.spink.com and Spink Live is a free service undertaken subject to other commitments at the time of the auction and we do not accept liability for failing to execute an online internet bid or for errors or omissions in connection with this activity.

4.6 Telephone Bids

If you make arrangements with us not less than 24 hours before the sale, we shall use reasonable endeavours to contact you to enable you to participate in bidding by telephone, but in no circumstances will we be liable to either the Seller or you as a result of failure to do so.

4.7 Currency Converter

At some auctions, a currency converter will be operated, based on the one month forward rates of exchange quoted to us by Barclays Bank Plc or any other appropriate rate determined by us, at opening on the date of the auction. Bidding will take place in a currency determined by us, which is usually sterling for auctions held in London. The currency converter is not always reliable, and errors may occur beyond our control either in the accuracy of the Lot number displayed on the converter, or the foreign currency equivalent of sterling bids. We shall not be liable to you for any loss suffered as a result of you following the currency converter.

4.8 Video images

At some auctions there will be a video screen. Mistakes may occur in its operation, and we cannot be liable to you regarding either the correspondence of the image to the Lot being sold or the quality of the image as a reproduction of the original.

4.9 Bidding Increments

Bidding generally opens below the low estimate and advances in the following order although the auctioneer may vary the bidding increments during the course of the auction. The normal bidding increments are:

Up to £100	by £5
£100 to £300	by £10
£300 to £600	£320-£350-£380-£400 etc.
£600 to £1,000	by £50
£1,000 to £3,000	by £100
£3,000 to £6,000	£3,200-£3,500-£3,800-£4,000 etc.
£6,000 to £10,000	by £500
£10,000 to £20,000	by £1,000
£20,000 and up	Auctioneer's discretion

4.10 Bidding by Spink

4.10.1 We reserve the right to bid on Lots on the Seller's behalf up to the amount of the Reserve (if any), which will never be above the low estimate printed in the auction catalogue.

4.10.2 The Spink Group reserves the right to bid on and purchase Lots as principal.

4.10.3 Lots with this symbol (Ⓢ) indicate that a party has provided Spink with an irrevocable bid on the Lot that will be executed during the sale at a value that ensures that the Lot will sell. The irrevocable bidder, who may bid in excess of the irrevocable bid, will be compensated based on his bid in the event he or she is not the successful bidder or may receive a fixed fee in the event he or she is the successful bidder. If the irrevocable bidder is the successful bidder, the fixed fee for providing the irrevocable bid may be netted against the irrevocable bidder's obligation to pay the full purchase price for the Lot. If the irrevocable bid is not secured until after the printing of the auction catalogue, a pre-sale announcement will be made indicating that there is an irrevocable bid on the Lot.

If you are interested in placing an irrevocable bid in an auction, please

contact us at chairmanoffice@spink.com. Typically, only some of the Lots with an estimate, which must exceed £100,000 or equivalent in other currencies are open to irrevocable bids.

4.11 The Auctioneer's Discretion

The auctioneer has the right at his absolute discretion to refuse any bid to advance the bidding in such manner as he may decide to withdraw or divide any Lot, to combine any two or more Lots and, in the case of error or dispute, to put an item up for bidding again.

4.12 Successful Bid

4.12.1 Subject to the auctioneer's discretion, the striking of his hammer marks the acceptance of the highest bid, provided always that such bid is higher than the Reserve (where applicable), and the conclusion of a contract for sale between you and the Seller.

4.12.2 The highest bid at the closing time of the timed auction will be the successful bid and the price will be the hammer price and this will be a conclusion of a contract for sale between you and the Seller. All lots sold in the timed auction are subject to charges per section 5 and all clauses of these terms and conditions.

4.13 After Sale Arrangements

If you enter into any private sale agreements for any Lot with the Seller within 60 days of the auction, we, as exclusive agents of the Seller reserve the right to charge you the applicable Buyer's Premium in accordance with these Terms and Conditions, and the Seller a commission in accordance with the terms of the Seller's agreement.

4.14 Return of Lot and cancellation of sale

4.14.1 Once your bid has been accepted for a Lot then you are liable to pay for that Lot in accordance with these Terms and Conditions. If there are any problems with a Lot then you must notify us within 7 days of receipt of the Lot, specifying the nature of the problem. Please note that an auction sale is not an approval sale. Lots examined by you (or your representative) prior to the sale, Lots for which we have provided condition reports and Lots purchased by floor bidders (including bidders executing commission bids on behalf of other parties) may not be returned and a cancellation of the sale and refund sought except in the case of Forgery in accordance with clause 5.13 below. We may then request that the Lot is returned to us for inspection. Save as set out in clause 5.13, the cancellation of the sale of any Lot and the refund of the corresponding purchase price is entirely at our sole discretion. We will not exercise that discretion if the Lot is not received by us in the same condition that it was in at the auction date (for the avoidance of doubt including but not limited to any item which has undergone any cleaning, restorative, conservation work, re-perforating, pressing, re-gumming or having been taken out of the third party holder after the item has been sold to you shall not be considered as being returned in the same condition as the auction date).

4.14.2 No Lot may be returned on account of condition if the condition was stated by a third party grading company (including, but not limited to PCGS, NGC, ANACS, ICG, PMG, WBG, Legacy Currency Grading) and which conflicts with our condition report or statement of opinion. As stated above at clause 3.2.2, except in the case of manifest error, our condition report and/or opinion stated at the time of the sale shall take precedence over any condition report or third party obtained by you from a third party.

4.14.3 No Lot identified as containing any NFT may be returned or is eligible for any refund once the NFT has been transferred to the Digital Wallet instructed by the Buyer. No warranty stated in clause 5.13.1 is given for such Lot.

4.14.4 In the event that a buyer, following a sale, submits any Philatelic Item(s) (including being part of a Lot) for expertising without our knowledge and no extension has been requested or agreed, then in the event that the certificate indicates any material fault in the Philatelic Item(s) not described by us, we shall have sole discretion as to whether or not any refund (whether in part or in full) is made to the buyer. No refunds will be considered in the event that any submissions are made to us later than 6 (six) years from the date of sale.

5 AFTER THE AUCTION

5.1 Buyer's Premium and other charges

In addition to the Hammer Price, you must pay us the Buyer's Premium at a rate of 22.5% of the final Hammer price of each Lot, a fee for using a third party bidding platform and postage charge and a fee for paying by card. Any Lot identified as containing an NFT is subject to the Buyer's Premium at a rate of 25% of the final Hammer Price, postage charge and in certain situations a fee for paying by card. When the destination country's authorities require Spink to collect any import duties, taxes, tariffs and any additional costs connected to the shipment, Spink reserves the right to update the invoice accordingly.

5.2 Value Added Tax

Other than in respect of Zero-rated Lots (o) VAT is chargeable on the Hammer price and the Buyer's premium of daggered (†) and (Ω) Lots at the standard rate (currently 20%), and on Lots marked (x) at the reduced rate (currently 5% on the Hammer price and 20% on the Buyer's premium). VAT on Margin scheme Lots (identified by the absence of any VAT symbol next to the Lot number) is payable at 20% on the Buyer's premium only.

5.3 VAT Refunds – Buyers from outside the UK

5.3.1 As we remain liable to account for VAT on all Lots unless they have been exported outside the UK within 3 months of the date of sale, you will be asked to deposit all amounts of VAT invoiced. However, if a

Spink nominated shipper is instructed, then any refundable VAT will not be collected. In all other cases refunds due will be made when valid proof of export is provided. For avoidance of doubt, please note refunds cannot be made to private Buyers, when Lots are bought for private use, if exported by the Buyer.

5.3.2 If you are registered as a collectibles business outside the UK and the Lots are invoiced to this business, are not for private use, if you export the Lots outside the UK yourself or appoint your own agent you must obtain shipping documents from the Shipping Department for which a charge of £50 will be made.

5.3.3 Where required, we can advise you on how to export Lots as a specific form of export evidence is required. Where we advise you on the export of the Lots, please be aware that the ultimate responsibility in respect of obtaining a valid proof of export will lie with you and we will not be responsible for your failure to obtain such proof.

5.3.4 If you export the Lot, subject to par. 5.3.2., you must return the valid proof of export to us within 3 months of the date of sale. If you fail to return the valid proof of export to us within such period and you have not already accounted to us for the VAT, you will be liable to us for the full amount of the VAT due on such Lot and we shall be entitled to invoice you for this sum.

5.3.5 To apply for a refund of any VAT paid, the valid proof of export must be sent to our Shipping Department clearly marked 'VAT Refund' within 3 months of the date of sale. No payment will be made where the total amount of VAT refundable is less than £50 and Spink will charge £50 for each refund processed.

5.3.6 Where a Lot is included within the Margin Scheme and Auctioneers' Scheme and valid evidence of export from the UK is produced within 3 months of the date of sale, the VAT on Buyer's Premium may be refunded.

5.3.7 Where the Lot is marked as a Daggered (†) Lot the VAT charged on the Hammer Price may be refunded where evidence of valid export from the UK is produced within 3 months of the date of sale. A refund of VAT charged on the Buyer's Premium can also be made on receipt of proof of registration as a collectibles business.

5.3.8 Where the Lot is marked as an Omega (Ω) Lot or an Import VAT (x) Lot and valid evidence of export from the UK is produced within 3 months of the date of sale, the VAT charged on both the Hammer Price and Buyer's Premium may be refunded.

5.3.9 Lot marked as Investment Gold (g) is exempt from VAT on Hammer price. A refund of VAT charged on the Buyer's Premium can be made on receipt of proof of registration as a collectibles business and where valid evidence of export from the UK is produced within 3 months of the date of sale.

5.4 Payment

5.4.1 You must provide us with your full name and permanent address and, if so requested, details of the bank from which any payments to us will be made. You must pay the full amount due (comprising the Hammer Price, the Buyer's Premium, a fee for using a third party bidding platform, any applicable VAT and any applicable duties, taxes and tariffs required by the customs authorities of the final destination of the Lot to be paid upon despatch, in the instances where Spink is arranging shipment) within seven days after the date of the sale even if the Lot in question has been submitted for expertising and/or is awaiting a certificate to be issued. This applies even if you wish to export the Lot and an export licence is (or may be) required.

5.4.1.1 We shall hold all proceeds of sale until such time as any expertising and/or issue of certificates and/or export licence has been finalised.

5.4.1.2 In the event that the certificate indicates a material adverse issue with regard to the item in the Lot in question and/or the export licence is refused, we shall make an appropriate refund to the buyer.

5.4.2 You will not acquire title to the Lot until

(i) all amounts due have been paid in full. This includes instances where special arrangements were made for release of Lot prior to full settlement;

(ii) the NFT has been transferred to your Digital Wallet if the Lot you bought is identified as containing NFT, at this point the sale of the Lot becomes unconditional and incapable of any refund for any reason.

5.4.3 Payment should be made in sterling by one of the following methods:

(i) Direct bank transfer to our account details of which are set out on the invoice. All bank charges shall be met by you. Please ensure that your client number is noted on the transfer.

(ii) By cheque or bank draft made payable to Spink and Son Ltd and sent to Spink at 69 Southampton Row, Bloomsbury, London WC1B 4ET. Please note that the processing charges for payments made by cheques or bank drafts drawn on a non-U.K bank shall be met by you. Please ensure that the remittance slip printed at the bottom of the invoice is enclosed with your payment.

(iii) By Visa or Mastercard. All Corporate cards regardless of origin and Consumer debit and credit cards issued outside the UK are subject to a fee of 3%. For all card payments there are limits to the amounts we will accept depending on the type of card being used and whether or not the cardholder is present.

(iv) By cryptocurrency, if we have indicated in the catalogue or by a written announcement or notice prior to the sale of a Lot identified as containing any NFT that such cryptocurrency payment may be made by you and will be accepted by us.

5.4.4 Payments should be made by the registered buyer and not by third parties, unless it has been agreed at the time of registration that you are acting as an agent on behalf of a third party.

5.5 Invoices

Invoices may consist of one or more pages and will show: Zero rated Lots (o); no symbol Lots sold under the Margin Scheme and Auctioneers'

Scheme; Lots marked (g) special scheme Investment Gold; Dagged Lots (†), imported Lots marked (x) and (Ω).

5.6 Collection of Purchases

5.6.1 Unless specifically agreed to the contrary, we shall retain Lots purchased until all amounts due to us, or to the Spink Group, have been paid in full. Buyers will be required to pay for their Lots when they wish to take possession of the same, which must be within 7 days of the date of the sale, unless prior arrangements have been made with Spink. Without prior agreement, Lots will not be released until cleared funds are received with regard to payments made by cheque.

5.6.2 Unless we notify you to the contrary, items retained by us will be covered in accordance with our policy which is available for inspection at our offices from the date of sale for a period of seven days or until the time of collection, whichever is sooner. After seven days or from the time of collection, whichever is the earlier, the Lot will be entirely at your risk.

5.6.3 Our policy will not cover and we are unable to accept responsibility for damage caused by woodworm, changes in atmospheric conditions or acts of terrorism.

5.7 Notification

We are not able to notify successful bidders by telephone. While Invoices are sent out by email or mail after the auction we do not accept responsibility for notifying you of the result of your bid. You are requested to contact us by telephone or in person as soon as possible after the auction to obtain details of the outcome of your bids to avoid incurring charges for late payment.

5.8 Packing and handling

5.8.1 We shall use all reasonable endeavours to take care when handling and packing a purchased Lot but remind you that after seven days or from the time of collection, whichever is sooner, the Lot is entirely at your risk. Our postage charges are set out at the back of the catalogue.

5.8.2 It is the responsibility of the Buyer to be aware of any Import Duties, Taxes and Tariffs that may be incurred upon importation to the final destination. Spink will not accept return of any package in order to avoid these duties, taxes or tariffs. The onus is also on the Buyer to be aware of any Customs import restrictions that prohibit the importation of certain collectibles. Spink will not accept return of the Lot(s) under these circumstances. Spink will not accept responsibility for Lot(s) seized or destroyed by Customs.

5.8.3 If the Buyer requires delivery of the Lot to an address other than the invoice address this will be carried out at the discretion of Spink.

5.9 Recommended packers and shippers

If required our shipping department may arrange shipment as your agent. Although we may suggest carriers if specifically requested, our suggestions are made on the basis of our general experience of such parties in the past and we are not responsible to any person to whom we have made a recommendation for the acts or omissions of the third parties concerned.

5.10 Remedies for non-payment or failure to collect purchases

5.10.1 If you fail to make payment within seven days of your stipulated payment date set out in your invoice, we shall be entitled to exercise one or more of the following rights or remedies:

5.10.1.1 to charge interest at the rate of 2% per month compound interest, calculated on a daily basis, from the date the full amount is due;

5.10.1.2 to set off against any amounts which the Spink Group may owe you in any other transaction the outstanding amount remaining unpaid by you;

5.10.1.3 we may keep hold of all or some of your Lots or other property in the possession of the Spink Group until you have paid all the amounts you owe us or the Spink Group, even if the unpaid amounts do not relate to those Lots or other property. Following fourteen days' notice to you of the amount outstanding and remaining unpaid, the Spink Group shall have the right to arrange the sale of such Lots or other property. We shall apply the proceeds in discharge of the amount outstanding to us or the Spink Group, and pay any balance to you;

5.10.1.4 where several amounts are owed by you to the Spink Group in respect of different transactions, to apply any amount paid to discharge any amount owed in respect of any particular transaction, whether or not you so direct;

5.10.1.5 to reject at any future auction any bids made by you or on your behalf or obtain a deposit from you before accepting any bids.

5.10.2 If you fail to make payment within thirty-five days, we shall in addition be entitled:

5.10.2.1 to cancel the sale of the Lot or any other item sold to you at the same or any other auction;

5.10.2.2 to arrange a resale of the Lot, publicly or privately, and, if this results in a lower price being obtained, claim the balance from you together with all reasonable costs including a 20% seller's commission, expenses, damages, legal fees, commissions and premiums of whatever kind associated with both sales or otherwise, incurred in connection with your failure to make payment;

5.10.2.3 when reselling the Lot, place a notice in our catalogue stating that you successfully purchased the Lot at auction but have subsequently failed to pay the Hammer Price of the Lot; or

5.10.2.4 take any other appropriate action as we deem fit.

5.10.3 If you fail to collect within fourteen days after the sale, whether or not payment has been made, you will be required

5.10.3.1 to pay a storage charge of £2 per item per day plus any additional handling cost that may apply.

5.10.3.2 you will not be entitled to collect the Lot until all outstanding charges are met, together with payment of all other amounts due to us.

5.11 Use of Default Information

If you fail to make payment for a Lot in accordance with these Terms and Conditions:

5.11.1 we reserve the right to refuse you the right to make bids for any future auction irrespective of whether previous defaults have been settled; and

5.11.2 you acknowledge that we may (as necessary for our legitimate interests those of other auctioneers and live bidding platforms in referencing customers and avoiding customer defaults) disclose details of such default to other auctioneers and live bidding platforms, which will include your name, address, nature of the default and the date of the default.

Auctioneers or live bidding platforms who receive details of the default may rely on such information when deciding whether to enter into a transaction with you in the future.

5.12 Export Licence

5.12.1 If required we can, at our discretion, advise you on the detailed provisions of the export licensing regulations. Where we advise you in relation to export licensing regulations the ultimate responsibility in respect of any export will lie with you and we will not be responsible for your failure to apply for any necessary licences.

5.12.2 If the Lot is going to be hand carried by you, you may be required to produce a valid export licence to us or sign a waiver document stating that a licence will be applied for.

5.12.3 You should always check whether an export licence is required before exporting. Export licences are usually obtained within two or three weeks but delays can occur.

5.12.4 Unless otherwise agreed by us in writing, the fact that you wish to apply for an export licence does not affect your obligation to make payment within seven days nor our right to charge interest on late payment.

5.12.5 If you request that we apply for an export licence on your behalf, we shall be entitled to recover from you our disbursements and out of pocket expenses in relation to such application, together with any relevant VAT.

5.12.6 We will not be obliged to rescind a sale nor to refund any interest or other expenses incurred by you where payment is made by you despite the fact that an export licence is required.

5.13 Refund in the case of Forgery

5.13.1 Unless otherwise described by us, and subject to the rest of this clause 5.13, we guarantee the authenticity of a Lot (other than a miscellaneous Lot, or Lot containing an NFT or item not described in the catalogue) offered for sale by us for: (1) a period of 10 (ten) years from the date of sale for coins and banknotes; and (2) a period of 6 (six) years for all other items.

5.13.2 If, after the sale of a Lot, you reasonably believe an item in a Lot (other than a miscellaneous item not described in the catalogue) is not authentic and is a Forgery, you must:

5.13.2.1 notify us within 7 days of becoming aware the item is a Forgery providing a written explanation and evidence obtained by you that the item is a Forgery. ("Forgery Notice");

5.13.2.2 unless otherwise agreed by us in writing, return the item to us within 14 days from the Forgery Notice, in the same condition as at the auction date (for the avoidance of doubt including but not limited to any item which has undergone any cleaning, restorative, conservation work, re-perforating, pressing, re-gumming or having been taken out of the third party holder after the item has been sold to you shall not be considered as being returned in the same condition as the auction date);

5.13.2.3 promptly provide to us such evidence as we may request that you are able to transfer good title to us or the Seller as we direct, free from any third party claims.

5.13.3 Following receipt of the information set out above and the item, we will review and notify you if we agree with your belief the item is not authentic and is a Forgery. You shall cooperate with us at all times and provide such further information and assistance as we may reasonably require for us to carry out our review. Failure to adhere to the above conditions shall mean we shall not be under any obligation to continue the process of review or refund any money paid by you (if applicable).

5.13.4 Following our review, if we agree the item is not authentic and is a Forgery we shall notify you in writing. The sale of the Lot to which the item relates shall be rescinded and the amount paid by you refunded to you. For the avoidance of doubt we will only be required to pay you the amount actually paid by you for the Lot concerned and you shall have no claim for interest. Except as otherwise stated in this clause, we shall not be liable to you for any costs, expenses or damages (whether direct, indirect, special or consequential) incurred or suffered by you in respect of any Lot, which breaches our guarantee and is a Forgery.

5.13.5 Please note an item shall not be considered a Forgery by us where any of the following circumstances apply:

5.13.5.1 the catalogue description or saleroom notice of the item at the auction date corresponded to the generally accepted opinion of scholars or experts at that time, or fairly indicated that there was a conflict of opinions, or

5.13.5.2 it can be demonstrated that the item is a Forgery only by means of either a scientific process not generally accepted for use until after publication of the catalogue or a process which at the date of the auction was unreasonably expensive or impracticable or likely to have caused damage to the Lot; or

5.13.5.3 it can be demonstrated that the item is a Forgery only by means of adding information and/or material which were not available at the date of the auction.

5.13.6 The benefit of the guarantee at clause 5.13.1 is not capable of being transferred, and is solely for the benefit of the person to whom the original invoice was made out by us in respect of the Lot when

- sold and who, since the sale, has remained the owner of the Lot without disposing of any interest in it to any third party.
- 5.13.7 We shall be entitled to rely on any scientific or other process to establish that the Lot is not a Forgery, whether or not such process was used or in use at the date of the auction.

6 LIABILITY

Nothing in these Terms and Conditions limits or excludes our liability for:

- 6.1 death or personal injury resulting from negligence; or
- 6.2 any damage or liability incurred by you as a result of our fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.

7 USE OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

7.1 We will use the personal information you provide to us as set out in our privacy notice (available at <https://spink.com/privacy-policy>) and in particular to:

- 7.1.1 process the bids you make on Lots (whether successful or otherwise) and other auction related services we provide;
- 7.1.2 process your payment relating to a successful purchase of a Lot which includes submitting certain personal information to the Blockchain in respect of purchases of NFTs using a Digital Wallet;
- 7.1.3 arrange for delivery of any Lot you purchase, which will include passing your details to shipping providers and, on overseas deliveries, to customs where they make enquiries regarding the Lot and to the Blockchain where you purchase NFT(s);
- 7.1.4 inform you about similar products or services that we provide, but you may stop receiving these at any time by contacting us.
- 7.2 In accordance with clause 4.2, we may pass your information to credit reference agencies in order to obtain credit checks from them, and they may keep a record of any search that they do.
- 7.3 In accordance with clause 5.11, where you default on making payment for a Lot in accordance with these terms and conditions we may disclose details of such default to other auctioneers and live bidding platforms.
- 7.4 We are also working closely with third parties (including, for example, other auctioneers and live bidding platforms) and may receive information about you from them.
- 7.5 Where you provide us with personal information about other individuals, you must ensure that your provision of that information is compliant with applicable data protection law.

8 COPYRIGHT

- 8.1 We shall have the right (on a non-exclusive basis) to photograph, video or otherwise produce an image of the Lot. All rights in such an image will belong to us, and we shall have the right to use it in whatever way we see fit.
- 8.2 The copyright in all images, illustrations and written material relating to a Lot is and shall remain at all times our property and we shall have the right to use it in whatever way we see fit. You shall not use or allow anyone else to use such images, illustrations or written material without our prior written consent. This is separate and distinct to any copyright inherent in any item of any Lot which is to be assigned to you as part of a Lot containing an NFT.

9 VAT

You shall give us all relevant information about your VAT status and that of the Lot to ensure that the correct information is printed in the catalogues. Once printed, the information cannot be changed. If we incur any unforeseen cost or expense as a result of the information being incorrect, you will reimburse to us on demand the full amount incurred.

10 NOTICES

All notices given under these Terms and Conditions may be served personally, sent by 1st class post, or faxed to the address given to the sender by the other party. Any notice sent by post will be deemed to have been received on the second working day after posting or, if the addressee is overseas, on the fifth working day after posting. Any notice sent by fax or served personally will be deemed to be delivered on the first working day following despatch.

11 ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

The following provisions of this clause 11 shall apply only if you are acting for the purposes of your business.

11.1 Limitation of Liability

Subject to clause 6, we shall not be liable, whether in tort (including for negligence) or breach of statutory duty, contract, misrepresentation or otherwise for any:

- 11.1.1 loss of profits, loss of business, depletion of goodwill and/or similar losses, loss of anticipated savings, loss of goods, loss of contract, loss of use, loss of corruption of data or information; or
- 11.1.2 any special, indirect, consequential or pure economic loss, costs, damages, charges or expenses.
- 11.1.3 You acknowledge that we are not technology or data experts and that NFTs are not issued, minted or tokenised by us. Furthermore, you acknowledge that NFTs are a new type of asset and NFTs, Smart Contracts and Blockchain transactions are subject to inherent technical and financial risks which you accept, and that the regulatory environment in relation to NFTs (over which we have no control) is uncertain and developing constantly.

11.2 Severability

If any part of these Terms and Condition is found by any court to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that part may be discounted and the rest of the conditions shall continue to be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

11.3 Force majeure

We shall have no liability to you if we are prevented from, or delayed in performing, our obligations under these Terms and Conditions or from carrying on our business by acts, events, omissions or accidents beyond our reasonable control, including (without limitation) strikes, lock-outs or other industrial disputes (whether involving our workforce or the

workforce of any other party), failure of a utility service or transport or communications network, blockchain failure or delay, act of God, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, compliance with any law or governmental order, rule, regulation or direction, accident, breakdown of plant or machinery, fire, flood, storm or default of suppliers or subcontractors.

11.4 Waiver

11.4.1 A waiver of any right under these Terms and Conditions is only effective if it is in writing and it applies only to the circumstances for which it is given. No failure or delay by a party in exercising any right or remedy under these Terms and Conditions or by law shall constitute a waiver of that (or any other) right or remedy, nor preclude or restrict its further exercise. No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that (or any other) right or remedy.

11.4.2 Unless specifically provided otherwise, rights arising under these Terms and Conditions are cumulative and do not exclude rights provided by law.

11.5 Law and Jurisdiction

11.5.1 These Terms and Conditions and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with them or their subject matter, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

11.5.2 The parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of, or in connection with, Terms and Conditions or their subject matter.

Postal Charges

Prices for all items including postage and packaging

Invoice Value	UK	EU	Rest of the World
Up to £1,500	£12	£20	£30
Up to £10,000	£20	£40	£60
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The above fees are in GBP and would be converted into the sale currency if applicable.

Shipments of more than 2kg or volumetric measurement of more than 2kg have to be sent by courier. Certain countries may incur extra charge when courier services are required by our insurance policy. For Lots sent by courier please contact Auctionteam@spink.com for calculation of any further relevant cost in addition to the above charges.

When the destination country's authorities require Spink to collect any import duties, taxes, tariffs and any additional costs connected to the shipment, Spink reserves the right to update the invoice accordingly.

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Charging of (VAT) at Auction

The information shown on this page sets out the way in which Spink intends to account for VAT.

i. Margin Scheme and Auctioneers' Scheme

1. Where possible, we will offer Lots for sale under the Margin Scheme and Auctioneers' Scheme. Such Lots can be identified by the absence of any VAT symbol next to the Lot number in the catalogue. Such Lots are subject to 20% VAT on the Buyers' Premium but are not subject to VAT on the Hammer Price.
2. Where Lots are sold using the Margin Scheme and Auctioneers' Scheme to UK VAT-registered businesses, the VAT on Buyers' Premium is not recoverable as input tax. Upon request on sale day, we will issue invoices that show VAT separately on both the Hammer Price and the Buyer's Premium. This will enable VAT-registered businesses to recover the VAT charged as input tax, subject to the normal rules for recovering input tax.

ii. Zero-Rated Lots

Limited Categories of goods, such as books, are Zero-rated (o) for VAT in the United Kingdom. Such Lots are offered under the Auctioneers' Scheme. In these circumstances no VAT will be added to the Buyer's premium.

iii. Daggered Lots

Lots which are Daggered (†) in the catalogue are subject to VAT at 20% on both the Hammer Price and the Buyer's Premium.

iv. Imported and Omega Lots

Lots which are marked (x) in the catalogue are subject to VAT at 5% on the Hammer price plus 20% on the Buyer's premium. Lots which bear the Omega symbol (Ω) are subject to VAT at 20% on the Hammer Price and on the Buyer's Premium. This VAT is payable on items imported from outside the UK. In these cases we have used a temporary importation procedure, which in effect means that the point of importation is deferred until the Lot has been sold. At this point the Buyer is treated as the importer and is liable to pay the import VAT due. We will collect the VAT from you and pay it to HM Customs and Excise on your behalf.

v. Investment Gold Lots

Lots marked (g) in the catalogue are exempt from VAT on the Hammer Price and are subject to VAT at 20% on the Buyer's Premium. A refund of VAT charged on the Buyer's Premium can also be made on receipt of proof of business as a collectibles dealer outside of the UK.

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SALE CALENDAR 2025/2026

STAMPS

15 October	The "KMC" Collection of Stamps and Covers of Mexico Part II	New York	25018
28 - 29 October	The Tom Gosse Collection of the Japanese Occupation of South-East Asia	London	25020
29 October	Tibet - The 'Bramley' Collection Part I	London	25023
30 October	The Philatelic Collector's Series Sale	Hong Kong	CSS119
30 October	Stamps and Covers of Africa Featuring the 'Protea' Collection of South Africa	London	25026
5 November	Stamps and Covers of Great Britain	London	25027
5 December	Fine Stamps and Covers of China and Hong Kong	Hong Kong	CSS121

COINS

J30 September	The Carrington and Pallas Collections of Exceptional English and Anglo-Gallic old Coins and Proof Sets	London	25005
1 October	British Medals and World Coins featuring The Hurter-Amman Collection of Ancient and European Gold	London	25055
27 September - 14 October	China, Hong Kong and World Coins - e-Auction	Hong Kong	CSS118D
9 October	The Nicholas Rhodes Collection of Nepalese Coins Part I	London	25088
20 November	Ancient Coins	London	25006
10 December	British and World Coins and Medals	London	25007

BANKNOTES

23 September - 14 October	World Banknotes - e-Auction	London	25400
26 September - 13 October	China, Hong Kong and World Banknotes - e-Auction	Hong Kong	CS118C
29 October - 12 November	World Banknotes - e-Auction	London	25500
28 November - 12 December	World Banknotes - e-Auction	London	25600

MEDALS

27 November	Orders, Decorations and Medals	London	25003
29 January 2026	Orders, Decorations and Medals	London	25113

HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS

16 September	Historical Documents, Autographs and Ephemera	London	25066
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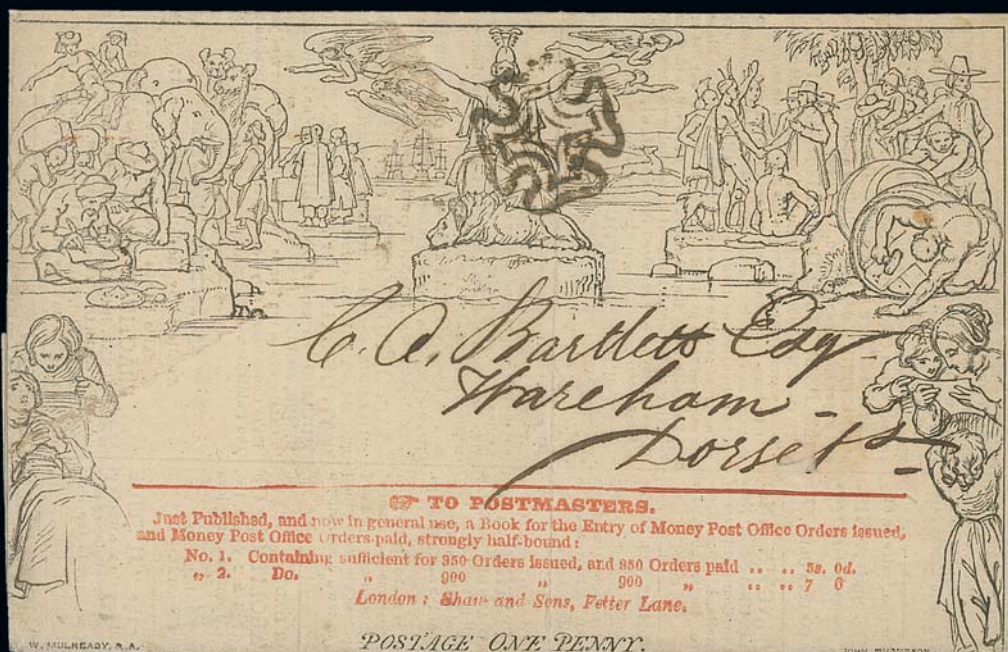
November	Original Vintage Film Posters	London	TBC
9 December	The 360th Anniversary Sale	London	25360

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