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*	unused (with or without gum): non-oblitéré (avec ou sans gomme): ungestempelt (mit oder ohne Gummi)			
0	used: oblitéré: gestempelt 🚜 Airpost: Poste Aérienne: Luftpost			
$\boxtimes$	on entire: sur entier: auf Ganzsache P Proof: Épreuve: Probedruck			
S	Specimen: Spécimen: Vorlagestück 🛆 on piece: sur fragment: Briefstück			
R	Reprint: Réimpression: Neudruck			
o.g.	original gum (hinged): gomme originale (avec charnière): Original-Gummi (mit Falz)			
c.d.s.	circular datestamp: cachet à date: Ortsstempel			
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# ASCENSION - BAHAMAS

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### **ASCENSION**

Lot Estimated Value

1 ⋈ 1864, Great Britain 1d. rose-red, plate 71, used on cover to England, endorsed in manuscript, from John Clarke, Boilermaker, Ascension, tied by Ascension JA 31/68 c.d.s. and Devonport 250 duplex dated FE 19/68. A little ragged at top and part of flap missing. Early usage and full of character. Ex Stamm.

£200

#### **BAHAMAS**

2 ★ 1859 (10 June) Thin paper, 1d. dull lake (S.G. 2), sheet of 60, unused o.g., some faint toning in margins, stamps unaffected. Cat. £450. Ex Tomasini.

# **BARBADOS**



Lot

Estimated Value

1852-55 (2d.) greyish slate, bisected as 1d. (S.G. 4b) on a lovely entire letter to *Porto Rico* showing blue Havana 2½ handstamp and a fine strike of the red crowned circle handstamp *Paid at Barbados*. **Ex Amundsen and Tomasini.** 

£550

1852-55 (4d.) brownish red (S.G. 5), corner crease, tied by numeral 1 cancellation to blue O.H.M.S. cover to St. Lucia. Backstamped Barbados AU 11/1856 and St. Lucia AU 12/1856, this is the earliest known date of use of the 4d. stamp. Ex Amundsen and Tomasini.

#### **BERMUDA**



Lot

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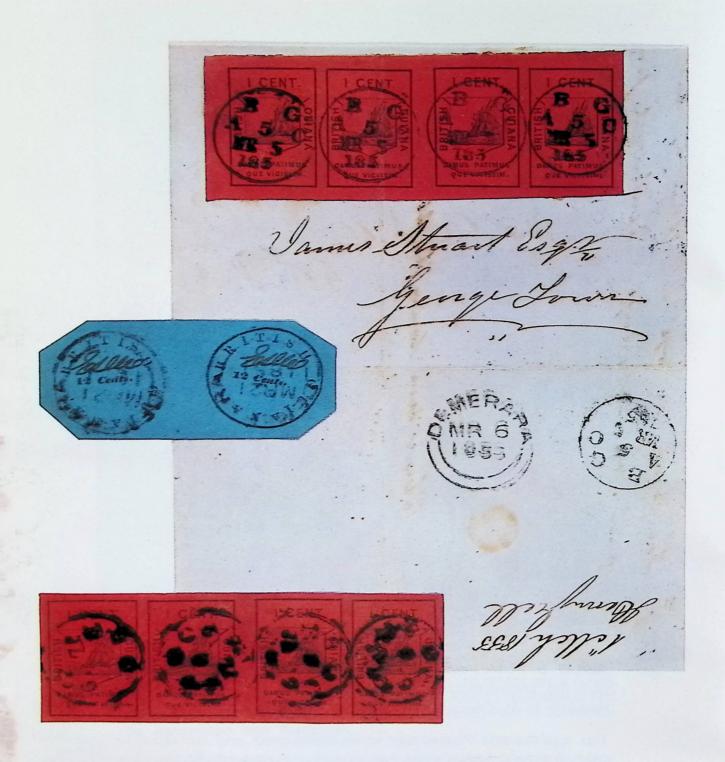
1854 W. B. Perot, Postmaster's Provisional. 1d. red on blue paper (S.G. 03), affixed to flap of entire letter dated April 16th 1855 from Hamilton to St. George's. Ex Ferrary, Burrus and Tomasini.

£35000

Estimated Value

This was the first 'Postmaster' to be discovered, and recorded, in 1897. In 1922 at Gilbert's fifth Ferrary sale it realised 30,000frs. plus sales tax which was the equivalent of £556. The only other example extant is in the collection of Her Majesty the Queen.

# **BRITISH GUIANA**



## **BRITISH GUIANA**

Estimated Value

6 ( 1850 'Cottonreel' 12c. blue (S.G. 5), horizontal pair initialled E.D.W. and postmarked Demerara MR 21/1851. Huge margins, exceptional quality. Ex Ferrary and Tomasini.

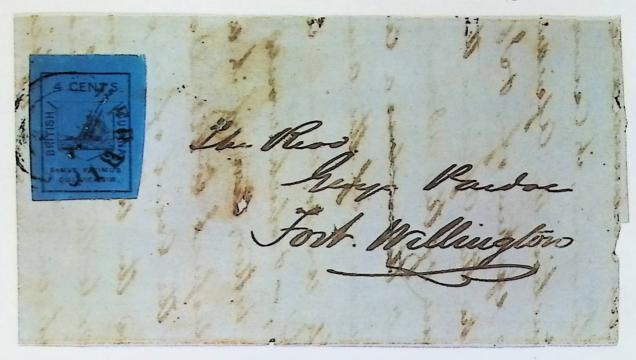
£2250

1852 1c. black on magenta (S.G. 9), strip of four being a complete row across the pane, large margins, superb colour; although these stamps are usually extremely fragile and nearly always fractured the surface coloured paper of this strip is pristine facially, slightly thinned on the reverse. Attractive cancellations, a major rarity. Ex Ferrary, Caspary, Burrus and Tomasini.

£3500

8 🖂 1852 1c. black on magenta (S.G. 9), strip of four, superb colour, enormous margins, tied by filing crease and one of the A5C/5.3.185 (5) handstamps to an entire letter written at *Plantation Spartar* dated 1.3.1855 and addressed to Georgetown. A magnificent cover. **Ex Burrus and Tomasini.** 

# BRITISH GUIANA — BRITISH HONDURAS





#### **BRITISH GUIANA**

Lot Estimated Value

9 🖂 1852 4c. black on deep blue (S.G. 10), superb used on outer letter sheet, backstamped Berbice JA 11/1852, eleven days after issue, and addressed to Fort Wellington. The adhesive shows a few surface disturbances, as usual on this paper, and is the finest example known to us. Ex 'Great'. R.P.S. Certificate (1970).

£2000

#### **BRITISH HONDURAS**

10 ★ 1866 1d. blue (6) and 1s. green (6) together forming an unused o.g. block of 12 containing three vertical pairs of the 1d. and 1s. separated by the interpanneau margin (S.G. 4b). A magnificent showpiece of the utmost rarity. Four other pairs are thought to be extant and of these a block containing two is in the collection of British Honduras offered in this auction as lot number 12. Cat. £10,500+.

Ex Sir Henry Tucker.

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11 ★ 1888-89 'TWO' on 50c. on 1s. grey, unused o.g. having the surcharge applied *twice*, once in black and once in red (S.G. 35c). Initialled on the reverse by W. G. A. (ikman). Very rare. Cat. £1,000. Ex Sir Henry Tucker. R.P.S. Certificate (1972).

# **BRITISH HONDURAS**

Selection of stamps from a remarkable collection offered as lot number 12.



# **BRITISH HONDURAS**

Selection of covers from a remarkable collection offered as lot number 12.

















Lot 12 Estimated Value

1789—1901, the collection, consisting of entires, o.g. stamps in singles and multiples as well as used on covers, attractively presented in album, there now follows a brief résumé of the more important pieces.

1789-92 three entire letters of this very early period, two entires of 1849-60 with red crowned circle Paid at Belize handstamp. 1866 set in singles and blocks of 4 (S.G. 1-4), 1d in vertical interpanneau pair with 1s. (S.G. 4b) rare block of 4 Cat. £7,000 and the companion piece being 1s. in horizontal interpanneau pair with 6d. (S.G. 4a) three pairs in a block of 12 Cat. £7,500. Three die proofs commence the 1872-79 issue which includes a strip of three of the 1d. imperf. between (S.G. 16a), 1882-87 o.g. set and two covers, 1888-92 Perf. 12½ 2c. o.g. block of 6, 3c. (S.G. 24) unused without gum. Ex Caspary, R.P.S. Certificate and a pair on cover to Germany both very rare. Perf. 14 ranges include 2c. on 6d. surcharge double (S.G. 25b) and two slanting and curved foot varieties; The unusual 'TWO' surcharge in black (S.G. 35b) Cat. £1,200, small crayon mark on face. R.P.S. Cert. 1891 'SIX' essays, two with bar, one without, a full sheet of 30 with bar and the two famous covers bearing four examples each, one with the bar, one without, both addressed to U.S.A. and ex John Luff. 1891 Provisional, good range incl. 6 and bar inverted in red and in black (S.G. 43a, 44a) unused o.g., the latter slightly soiled. R.P.S. Cert. Also four covers with surcharge varieties. 1891-99 die proofs of the 25c. to \$5 duty tablets (5). The Revenue overprints of 1899 are a very fine lot including several varieties with the BEVENUE error on the 50c. in pair with normal (S.G. 69, 69a) R.P.S. Cert.

Condition throughout is well above average and although reasonably complete this is in the basic stamps and there is much scope for expansion. The collection is already of major International award status and would ideally suit the collector seeking a new field of research and investment.

# CANADA



			Estimated Value
13		1851 6d. slate-violet (S.G. 2), tied by red Montreal NO 1851 c.d.s. to entire letter from the <i>Kennedy</i> correspondence to New York. Red curved CANADA and PAID handstamps. The adhesive is of lovely	
		colour and has good margins. Very attractive.	£500
14	Δ	1852-57 Medium hard wove paper 6d. slate-grey (S.G. 12), enormous example showing portions of two adjoining stamps, tied on small piece by numeral 21 cancellation. <b>Ex Burrus and Fox.</b>	£200
15	Ø	1852-57 Medium hard wove paper 6d. brownish grey (S.G. 14), superb, tied by blue target cancellation to a neat small envelope addressed to New York State. JU 27/1857 c.d.s. of despatch. Adhesive has a tiny corner crease well away from the design. Ex Fox.	

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1855 10d. blue (S.G. 20) top marginal with good margins tied by black target cancellation to cover from Peterboro JA25/1855 by Packet through Liverpool, 13 FE 55, to Diss in Norfolk. Superb, a gem. See front cover.

£2000





17 O 1857 ½d. deep rose on wove paper (S.G. 23) vertical pair with the most enormous margins all round showing portions of adjoining stamps on all four sides. Light diagonal crease not detracting in any way from the superb appearance, lightly cancelled, fresh colour, a wonderful item. Ex Fox.

£500

18 ★ 1868 (March) Ottawa Printing, 2c. grass-green on thin crisp paper (S.G. 48), unused o.g. block of 16 (4 × 4), beautiful clear colour. Upper left stamp damaged. A major Canadian showpiece of great rarity. Ex Firth.

# CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - CEYLON















# CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

Estimated Value		Lot
£4000	1861, so-called 'Wood-block' error of colour 4d. carmine (S.G. 16), light cancellation leaving value tablet clear, tiny thin, one of the finest examples of the Carmine error known to us. Ex Tomasini.	19 🔾
	CEYLON	
£150	1857 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. lilac on blue glazed paper (S.G. 3), unused o.g., some gum wrinkles, good margins and colour. <b>Ex Tomasini.</b>	20 *
£500	1859 4d. dull rose (S.G. 9) used, attractively cancelled, good margins all round, lovely colour, choice example.  Ex Burrus and Tomasini.	21 0
£1400	1859 8d. brown (S.G. 13) unused o.g., margins all round, brilliant colour. A gem. Ex De Silva, Amundsen and Tomasini.  R.P.S. Certificate (1960).	22 🛨
£2750	1859 9d. purple-brown (S.G. 14) unused o.g., large margins all round showing portion of adjoining stamp at bottom, brilliant colour, very faint crease. A gem. <b>Ex De Worms, De Silva, Amundsen and Tomasini.</b> R.P.S. Certificate (1959).	23 🛨
£450	1857 1s. dull violet (S.G. 16) unused without gum, margins all round. Very rare. <b>Ex Hunt.</b> <i>R.P.S. Certificate (1972)</i> .	24 ★
\$500	1859 2s. blue (S.G. 19) unused o.g., slight gum creasing, large	25 🛨

26 🔾

1857-59. The selection comprising 6d. purple-brown on blued,  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. lilac on blue glazed paper, white paper 1d. blue, 1d. deep blue, 2d. deep green (ex Dale-Lichtenstein), 2d. yellow-green, 5d. chestnut, 6d. purple, 8d. brown, 9d. purple-brown, 10d. orange-vermilion, 1s. dull violet, 1/9 green, 1/9 pale yellow-green and 2s. blue, all lightly cancelled, good margins and well above average examples. A marvellous selection. **Ex Tomasini.** 

£1000



#### **GAMBIA**

27 ★

The *Tomasini* selection comprising de-luxe examples of the following: 1869 no watermark 4d. brown, marginal position 6, 4d. pale brown, marginal position 4, 6d. deep blue position 6, and 6d. blue, corner example, position 5, 1874 c.c. 4d. brown, 4d. pale brown, position 11 corner copy, 6d. deep blue, position 15 corner example, 6d. blue top right corner copy being position 5 with sloping tablet. All unused o.g. with good embossing, the first three stamps with slight toning. **Ex Tomasini**.





Lot

Estimated Value

1870 Watermark Crown C.C. 4c. grey variety perforated 121 (S.G. 9e) on entire 28 🖾 from Canton to France, together with 1863-74 12c. perf. 14 adhesive. Both tied by B62 cancellations. Backstamped Hong Kong AU 25/70, then sent by French line to France. The perf.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  is a great rarity on cover. **Ex Canman.** 

£300

29  $\boxtimes$ Japan: 1862, the famous cover from Kanagawa, Japan to U.S.A. illustrated on plate 26 of Lobdell and Hopkins and on plate 67 of Col. Webb's handbook. Dated in manuscript Kanagawa Japan 3/2/62, the cover was forwarded to Shanghai where it was backstamped Shanghae Paid MR5/62 in black and then handstamped Shanghae MR6/62 on the front in red. The unusual red oval Paid in Shanghai handstamp may have been applied at the same time but it is possibly a U.S.A. marking. The cover was then forwarded via Hong Kong and London to destination by N.Y. British packet. See Col. Webb's handbook page 311. One of the rarest and most interesting covers from Japan. Ex Yarry. See Back Cover.

# HONG KONG and MAIL FROM JAPAN



Estimated Value

30 Japan: 1868 entire from Nagasaki to Bordeaux bearing the oval handstamp of the sender, J. P. Hyver, Nagasaki, Japan. Anglo-French accountancy marking of IF 26c. and 90 in manuscript. Backstamped Shanghai OC 13/68, Hong Kong OC 18/68 and Bordeaux arrival. Ex Yarry.

£250

31 Japan: 1868 entire letter from Yokahama to Boston via San Francisco showing a fine strike of the China and Japan Steam Service handstamp of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. The 'Japan' had sailed on her maiden voyage on August 3rd, 1868 from San Francisco. The rare oval handstamp was used virtually as a marine sorter marking by the early American vessels on the Pacific route from 1867 to 1869. Less than a dozen voyages were involved and very few strikes of this handstamp are recorded. Ex Yarry.



# HONG KONG - WEI HAI WEI

Lot Estimated Value

Wei Hai Wei: 1898 5c. local adhesive, used strip of three, bearing on the reverse one complete signature of G. K. Fergusson. He was a partner in the firm of Cornabe and Co. of Chefoo and in December 1898 organized a local post to convey letters over the 60 miles separating Wei Hai Wei and Chefoo. Some 392 stamps of this denomination are thought to have been issued. Ex Canman.

£200

£250

Wei Hai Wei: 1899 second issue, 2c. dull red (2) and 5c. green (2) used together with Chinese 2c. adhesive (2), all tied by Chefoo 26 JAN 99 cancellations to an O.H.M.S. cover to Shanghai. Backstamped at Shanghai JA 29/99 Local Post. Addressed to a member of the Royal Navy aboard H.M.S. Iphiginia. Very rare. Ex Canman.

£500

## INDIA - SCINDE









Scinde Dawk:  $1852 \frac{1}{2}a$ . white,  $\frac{1}{2}a$ . blue and  $\frac{1}{2}a$ . scarlet (S.G. 51-3), all very fine used, the last mentioned superb and uncracked. Ex Tomasini.

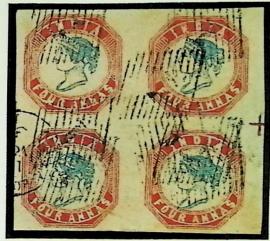
£650

36 \( \triangle \) Scinde Dawk: 1852 \frac{1}{2}a. white (S.G. 51), horizontal pair used on small piece, scissor cut and filing crease between and a trifle soiled. Scarce.

Ex Tomasini.

# INDIA





Lot Estimated Value

37 ★ 1854 Unissued '9½ arches'. ½a. vermilion (S.G. 1), block of eight with sheet margin and inscription at left. Ex Tomasini. £450

1854 4a. blue and rose-red, Fifth Printing, Head Die III, Frame Die II, superb used block of four with inverted watermark. Cancelled I in rhomboid of bars, also showing part of a French arrival c.d.s. Huge margins showing the centre dividing cross at right. Magnificent. Ex Burrus, Amundsen and Tomasini.

B.P.A. Certificate (1964).

# MALTA





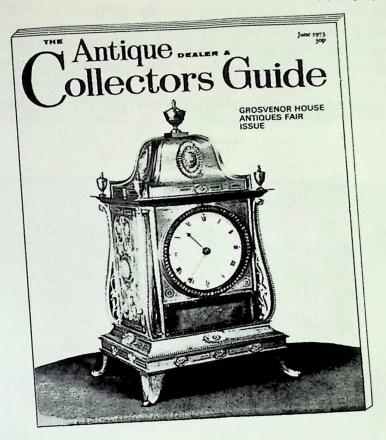
# **MALTA**



Lot		Estima	ated Value
40	*	1863 Watermark Crown C.C. Perf. 14, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. buff (S.G. 5) unused o.g. interpanneau block of 10. Cat. £300.	£200
41	*	1875 Watermark Crown C.C. Perf. 14, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. yellow-buff (S.G. 13) unused o.g. interpanneau block of 24. Cat. £528.	£325
42	*	1893 4d. brown, variety imperforate (S.G. 27a), pair with the usual slight horizontal crease through country tablet. Rare and sought after.	

B.P.A. Cert. (1971).

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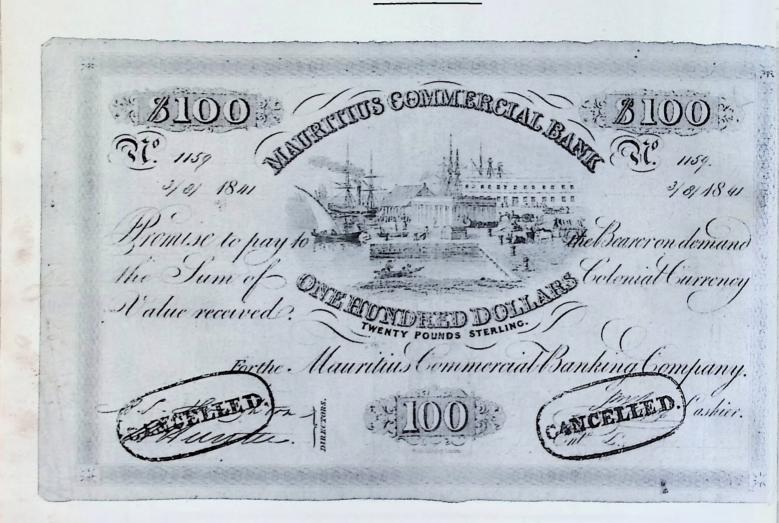
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# 1848 'POST PAID'



Lot Estimated Value

### Earliest Impression, 1d. orange-vermilion on thick yellowish paper (S.G. 3) unused, position 12 from the corner of the sheet with huge margins, brilliant colour, thinned at top right, corner crease outside design, a fantastic example.

Ex Dale-Lichtenstein. See Back Cover.

£5000



44 **★** Earliest Impression, 1d. orange-vermilion on thick yellowish paper (S.G. 3) unused example again from position 12, good margins, lovely colour. Signed Diena. Ex Ferrary and Tomasini.

# MAURITIUS 1848 'POST PAID'—continued





Lot

Estimated Value

Earliest Impression, 2d. indigo-blue on thick yellowish paper (S.G. 4) unused, beautiful deep colour, position 10 from the corner of the sheet with large margins at left and good margins on the other three sides. This stamp was in the first Ferrary sale and fetched 60,000frs. which with sales tax equalled approximately £1,300 in 1921. A gem. Ex Ferrary and Tomasini.

26000

Earliest Impression, 2d. deep blue on thick yellowish paper (S.G. 5), beautiful companion example to the above, unused, heavily repaired at base, good colour and margins, particularly large at right, superb appearance.

Ex Ferrary and Tomasini.

£1000







£1200

48 C Early Impression, 1d. vermilion on blue paper (S.G. 6), good colour and margins, cancelled 'I' in two circles in blue, tiny natural paper flaw.

Ex Burrus and Tomasini.

£750

49 C Early Impression, 1d. orange-vermilion on thin greyish blue paper (S.G. 7), horizontal pair positions 8 and 9, with '14' cancellations faded out. Ex Ferrary, Burrus and Tomasini.

# **MAURITIUS** 1848 'POST PAID'—continued













Estimated Value

£450

Lot 50 Early Impression, 1d. orange-vermilion on thin greyish blue paper (S.G. 7) 0 position 7, good margins, lovely colour, neat '14' cancellation, very fine. Ex Burrus and Tomasini. £1750 Early Impression, 2d. deep blue (S.G. 9), very early impression from position 51 ( 1, brilliant example with light cancellation, the head showing through clearly, good margins. Ex Burton, Amundsen and Tomasini. R.P.S. Certificate (1944). £1500 Intermediate Impression, 1d. dull vermilion (S.G. 11) position 8, unused, good 52 colour and margins, one or two minor surface blemishes. Ex Tomasini. £500 53 Intermediate Impression, 1d. dull vermilion (S.G. 11) position 10, used, neat 0 target cancellation, good colour and margins, tiny pinhole under chin. Ex Tomasini. £300 54 Intermediate Impression, 2d. light blue on bluish paper (S.G. 15) position 4, 0 good colour, huge margins, cancelled by '2' in circle, superb. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini. 0093 Intermediate Impression, 2d. blue on thin greyish paper, 'PENOE' error 55 0 (S.G. 14a), early example from position 7, with light boxed INLAND cancel

leaving variety clear. Two tiny pinholes. Ex Ferrary, Burrus and Tomasini.

# MAURITIUS 1848 'POST PAID'—continued





Lot

Estimated Value

Worn Impression, 1d. red on bluish paper (S.G. 18), position 4, minor faults, huge margins and boxed INLAND cancellation. 2d. blue (S.G. 20), position 3, good colour and margins with '14' in circles cancel. Both ex Tomasini. Former also ex Dale-Lichtenstein.

£200

#### 1859 'LAPIROT'





Early Impression, 2d. deep blue on medium bluish grey paper (S.G. 27), position 4, target cancellation leaving the head clear. A lovely example. Ex Burrus and Tomasini.

£350

Intermediate Impression, 2d. blue on medium greyish paper (S.G. 28), unused horizontal pair, positions 9 and 10. Trace of crease, small stain on reverse and a tiny pinhole. A very fresh and remarkable pair. Ex Hind, Burrus and Tomasini.

£650

59 A Intermediate Impression, 2d. blue (S.G. 28), two singles, lovely colour and huge margins tied to small dated piece to which they have been hinged. Trace of filing crease in top margins. Very attractive. Ex Tomasini.



## MAURITIUS







# **1859 'SHERWIN'**

60 O 2d. deep blue (S.G. 30), position 2 with sheet margin, light cancellation leaving head virtually clear. Tiny thin in top margin well away from design. A gem. Ex Hind, Burrus and Tomasini.

£800

# 1859 'DARDENNE'

61 O 1d. dull vermilion (S.G. 32), used with cancellation leaving head showing through, good colour, large margins. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini.

£200

62 O 2d. pale blue (S.G. 34), lightly cancelled, huge margins showing portion of adjoining stamp at base, fine colour. Ex Hind, Amundsen and Tomasini. R.P.S. Certificate (1936).

£125

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2d. pale blue (S.G.34), two large-margined examples, probably at one time a pair, lovely colour, tied by oval of bars cancellations to an entire letter dated 1860 to Bordeaux. Various transit markings on the reverse. The upper stamp is slightly creased from a cover fold. Very attractive. Ex Dale Lichtenstein

# **MAURITIUS**





## MAURITIUS **'BRITANNIA' TYPES**

Estimated Value Lot 1854 'FOUR-PENCE' green (S.G. 35), horizontal pair with good margins all 64  $\boxtimes$ round, tied by oval of bars cancellations on entire to the Cape of Good Hope, backstamped Cape Town, JU 17/1858, upon receipt. Parts of the side flaps £750 have been removed. A great rarity. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini. 1858-62 (4d.) green (S.G. 36), unused o.g. sheet marginal strip of 4, superb 65 and fresh. Slight gum wrinkle on two stamps. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and £500 Tomasini. 1858-62 (4d.) green (S.G. 36), tied by oval of bars cancellation to entire letter 66  $\boxtimes$ dated 20 Juin 1859, from Port Louis to France. Backstamped Mauritius JU 20/1859 and Granville 22 JUIL 59. Lovely appearance. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini. 2600 1859 6d. blue (S.G. 42), unused o.g. block of 8, large margins, fresh colour, 67 very fine. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini. £550





68 1859, 1s. vermilion (S.G. 43), brilliant horizontal strip of 7, each stamp with a 0 neat Paid cancellation. Good margins, a gem. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini. £650 69 1861 1s. yellow-green (S.G. 45), unused o.g. block of four, with sheet margin at bottom. Brilliant colour and fresh. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini.

#### **MAURITIUS**



1858-62 (4d.) green, (9d.) dull magenta, 1859 6d. blue and 1861 1s. yellow-green, marginal at left. All unused o.g. and very fine. (S.G. 36, 38, 42, 45).

Ex Dale-Lichtenstein and Tomasini.

£250

£300

71 1858-62 (4d.) green, (9d.) dull magenta, 1859 6d. blue and 1s. vermilion, both B53 cancels, 1861 6d. dull purple-slate, 1s. yellow-green, all very fine and well above average to superb (S.G. 36, 38, 42, 43, 44, 45), some ex Dale-Lichtenstein, all ex Tomasini.

1859 6d. blue (S.G. 42), used on 1859 cover to England; 1859 6d. blue, used on part outer letter sheet to France; 1861 6d. dull purple-slate, two singles used on 1862 entire letter to Bordeaux. A fine trio, the first ex Burrus and Amundsen; the second ex Dale-Lichtenstein and all, including the third, are ex Tomasini. See illustration above for first item.

## **NEW BRUNSWICK**



Lot

73 ⊠

1851 3d. dull red, bisected (S.G. 2a) and used with 6d. olive-yellow (S.G. 4), superb, tied by blue Chatham '8' numeral grids to entire letter to Liverpool. Adhesives also tied by red Liverpool Packet handstamp of DE 5/56. Red *British 5d. claim* and *Conveyed by United States Packet* handstamps. A gem. **Ex Fox.** 

Estimated Value

#### **NEW SOUTH WALES**



78 O 1850, 3d. yellow-green (S.G. 42), used strip of 4, positions 7 to 10, lovely colour, small corner fault at lower left, not affecting appearance. Ex Burrus and Tomasini.

1850, 3d. yellow-green (S.G. 42), exceptional upper right corner block of 4 with full original gum, creased through the upper pair horizontally and a light diagonal crease mainly in the top margin. Superb colour and impression, a

fan variety (S.G. 37a). Ex Caspary, Burrus and Tomasini.

showpiece of great rarity. Ex Hind, Burrus and Tomasini.

£200

£5000

#### **NEW SOUTH WALES**







Lot 79 Estimated Value

1852, 1d. carmine on bluish, medium wove paper (S.G. 45), horizontal pair, left stamp the *Two leaves to right of SOUTH* variety (S.G. 45b), clear margins, brilliant colour, full original gum. *B.P.A. Certificate* (1964). **Ex Burrus, Amundsen and Tomasini.** 

£550

80 

1852, 3d. dull yellow-green on medium, greyish blue wove paper (S.G. 67), block of 15 from the left of the sheet, almost full original gum, with sheet margins on three sides and showing portions of the five adjoining stamps at right.

At left, in addition to the Store Keeper's Dept. and Stamp Office handstamps is the manuscript endorsement 'Five of these stamps given this day to Sir Daniel Cooper as requested — 7 Oct 70'.

The block has been folded, resulting in creases and small cracks but the colour and appearance are superb. This block was cut from the block of 38 presented to Sir Daniel Cooper, Governor of New South Wales.

Ex Sir Daniel Cooper, Ferrary, Hind, Caspary, Lilly and Tomasini.

## **NEW SOUTH WALES**





Lot	Estin	mated Value
81 🖈	1859 (6d.) vermilion and Prussian blue (S.G. 92a), superb corner block of 4 with original gum. Ex Snowden and Tomasini.	£300
82 (	1856 Diadem 1d. orange-vermilion (S.G. 102), used block of 12 with Sydney NO 11/1858 cancellations, one stamp just cut into, two small scissor cuts at top and a horizontal crease between two rows. A remarkable piece. Rare. Ex Burrus and Tomasini.	£200
83 (	1855 8d. golden yellow (S.G. 125), lovely vertical pair with large margins showing portions of an adjoining stamp at right, "88' cancellation. A gem. <b>Ex Caspary and Tomasini.</b> See previous page for illustration.	£325

#### **NEW ZEALAND**



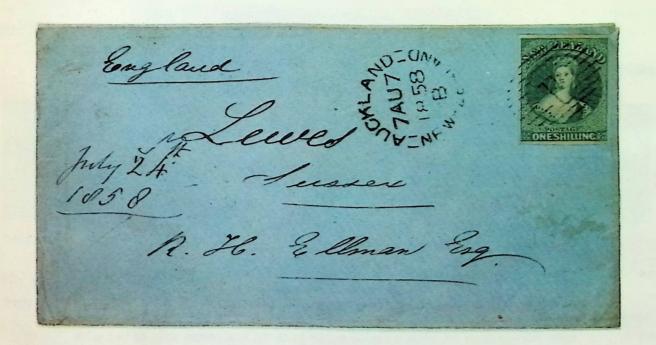
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Estimated Value

1855 London 1s. pale yellow-green (S.G. 3), strip of three, with the lightest of cancellations, the centre stamp with a small internal defect, the strip slightly stained on the reverse. Superb colour, large margins, a great rarity.

Ex Ferrary, Burrus and Tomasini.

£1200



85 M 1855 London 1s. pale yellow-green (S.G. 3), superb, tied by light cancellation to attractive blue cover to England. Wonderful colour, clear margins, very rare on cover. Ex Amundsen and Tomasini. R.P.S. Certificate (1958).

£1300

86 \( \triangle \) 1855 Richardson 1d. red on blue paper (S.G. 4), horizontal pair, trace of thin or stain on left stamp, used on dated piece with neat cancellations and Petrie JU 14/1858 c.d.s. alongside. Ex Caspary, Burrus and Tomasini.

## **NEW ZEALAND**









£275



Lot			Estimated Value
87	0	1855 Richardson 1d. red on blue paper (S.G. 4), magnificent horizontal strip of five from the top of the sheet. Light '18' cancellations, large margins, some small tears at top, altogether a wonderful piece of exceptional appearance. Ex Burrus and Tomasini.	
88	0	1855 Richardson 2d. blue on blue paper (S.G. 5), an outstanding 'Amundsen' example with huge margins showing portions of no less than five adjoining stamps. Ex Amundsen (realised £350) and Tomasini.	
89	0	1855 Richardson 2d. blue on blue paper (S.G. 5), horizontal strip of five with good margins all round except at lower left and at bottom on one stamp where close. A trifle age stained on the reverse, neat '10' cancellations, lovely appearance and scarce. Ex Caspary, Burrus and Tomasini.	
90	0	1855 Richardson 1s. green on blue paper (S.G. 6), very fine and lightly cancelled 'I', an exceptional example. Ex Burrus and Tomasini.	£250
91	Δ	1858-59 White paper, 2d. deep ultramarine (S.G. 8a), fine horizontal strip of	

Ex Burrus and Tomasini.

## NEW ZEALAND



Lot 92

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Estimated Value

1858-59 White paper, 1s. dull emerald-green (S.G. 16), superb, tied by 'I' cancel to cover to England, backstamped Auckland 6 AUG/1861 and Salisbury OC 22. Very attractive and rare. Ex Tomasini.

£1200



93 **★** 1858-59 White paper, 1s. blue-green (S.G. 17), superb unused o.g. example with large margins and of brilliant colour. Ex Amundsen and Tomasini. R.P.S. Certificate (1962).

£850

94 O 1862 Pelure paper, no watermark, 1d. orange-vermilion (S.G. 81), used strip of five with Dunedin cancellations. Very minor faults, good margins all round except on stamp just touched at top. An attractive piece of great rarity. Lovely colour. Ex Caspary and Tomasini.

£750

95 () 1862 Pelure paper, no watermark, 1s. deep green (S.G. 86), very large margins showing trace of adjoining stamp at right, lovely colour and light cancellation, exceptional for this stamp. Ex Amundsen and Tomasini.

#### NIGER COAST









Lot 96

Estimated Value

£475

1893 10s. in vermilion on 5d. (S.G. 41), unused o.g., a rare stamp, 32 such surcharges thought to have been made. Cat. £700. **Ex Pilkington.** B.P.A. Certificate (1964).

#### **NOVA SCOTIA**



97 🔀 1851-57 1d. red-brown, 3d. deep blue, 6d. yellow-green (S.G. 1, 2, 5), used together on entire to make up a 10d. double rate from Halifax to the United States. Adhesives with margins clear to large, tied by oval grid on blue entire, backstamped Halifax MY 7/1855, front shows numeral '10' and Br. Packet Boston 9 May handstamp. Four covers of the 10d. rate were known to Argenti. A great rarity of magnificent appearance. Ex Dale-Lichtenstein.

£3500

#### NYASALAND

98 🛨 1895 £1 (S.G. 29), unused o.g., fresh, Cat. £130. B.P.A. Certificate (1972). £100

99 (S.G. 30), used with Tshiroma c.d.s., surface slightly disturbed, well centred and very scarce. *R.P.S. Certificate* (1972).

£200

1896 £1 (S.G. 40), fresh, very slightly disturbed gum, fine colour, well centred. B.P.A. Certificate (1972).

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Estimated Value		Lot
	1856 Imperforate 6d. (S.G. 1), block of six, unused o.g., good colour, margins close at top, shaved at right, touching at foot, large at left. Very scarce and attractive multiple.	101
£200	1856 Rough perf. 6d. (S.G. 2a), unused o.g. block of six, the centre pair with a vertical crease. Fine colour and attractive appearance, scarce multiple.	102
£350	1863 1d. lake (S.G. 4), two blocks of six, positions 109 to 111, 121 to 123 and 188 to 190, 200 to 202, some minor creasing as usual, both with original gum.	103
£350	1863 4d. carmine (S.G. 5), unused o.g. block of six, some creasing as usual, margins all round. A very rare multiple of exceptional appearance.	104
£200	1863 1d. lake, surcharge double (S.G. 3a), unused, trace of o.g., good margins three sides, just touched at left. Very rare. Cat. £350.	105
£125	1863 1d. lake, <b>surcharge double</b> (S.G. 3a), used with two pen cancels, large margins three sides, close at base, rare. Cat. £200.	106





















stimated Value		t	Lot				
£300	1863 4d. carmine, <b>surcharge double</b> (S.G. 5a), used, heavy horizontal crease, cut into as are all the few used examples of this variety known to us; nevertheless, this is a great rarity.	07 ()	107				
£1000	1863 6d. lake (1d.) error surcharge omitted (S.G. 6), unused, large margins three sides, just shaved at left. A great rarity. Cat. £1500.						
£400	1864-67 Thin bar, 4d. carmine, surcharge double (S.G. 9a), used with light cancellation leaving the variety clear. Two small surface scrapes, otherwise very fine. A rare item. Cat. £600.	9 🔿	109				
£300	1865-68 Thick bar, 3d. purple, <b>surcharge double</b> (S.G. 18c), used, slightly stained, very rare. Cat. £500.	0 0	110				
£300	1865-68 Thick bar, 4d. carmine, surcharge double (S.G. 18d), used, some short perfs., rare. Cat. £500.	1 0	111				
£1750	1865-68 Thick bar, 1s. deep yellow-green, unused o.g. vertical pair, lower stamp with surcharge double (S.G. 18e), and similar pair, lower stamp with surcharge omitted (S.G. 18L). This was a case where the fifth row received a double surcharge leaving the tenth without any. Both pairs fresh o.g. Cat. £2,400.	2 *	112				
£175	1865-68 Thick bar, 1d. lake and 3d. purple, both <b>imperforate</b> (S.G. 18g, i), former is unused without gum, good side margins, little close top and base, the latter has wrinkled part o.g. and the design is touched at base, margins good other three sides. The 1d. is scarce. Cat. £350.	3 ★	113				
£200	1871-73 Bar and Words same length, 1d. lake and 2d. yellow, both with blue-black surcharge (S.G. 26a, 27a). The 1d. is unused without gum, the 2d. has gum, one corner perforation clipped. Both are scarce. Cat. £530.	4 *	114				
	double (S.G. 40a), unused o.g., some paper adhering to the back of the variety, small thin on one normal and some perfs. reinforced. Horizontal crease through the variety as usual. One of six known, a spectacular variety.	5 ★	115				
£400	Cat. £1,200.  1884-94 2½d. ultramarine, vertical pair with margin at top, upper stamp doubly	6 *	116				
£250	printed (S.G. 40b). Unused o.g., one or two faint tonings. One of twelve known. Cat. £700.	^					

Lot Estimated Value

117 ★ 1884-94 unused o.g. collection of multiples, beautifully presented in album with values from ½d. to 6d. covering the S.G. 34 to 44 period. Although a high degree of specialisation has been attained there is much scope for research and the inquiring mind would be well occupied in this field. There are many multiples of varying size and quantities include ½d. (611), 1d. (312), 2d. (146), 2½d. (108), 3d. mauve (30), 3d. violet (72), 4d. (84) and 6d. (48). Cat. approximately £750 but this is difficult to assess in view of the varieties which are known but not catalogued or priced. Not illustrated.

£375

118 🖂 1895-1902, collection of covers, fronts and envelopes attractively arranged in album including fancy cancels, Boer War period is well represented with 'censor', unstamped, prison camp cachets etc, also two of 1907 and 1919. 48 items in all.

Not illustrated.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Lot Estimated Value

119 O 1855 London 1d. dark green, horizontal pair with 'I' cancel, 2d. rose-carmine, horizontal strip of three with '31' cancels and 6d. deep blue horizontal strip of five, the last Ex Caspary. All with clear margins. Ex Tomasini.

£150



120 O 1855 London 6d. deep blue (S.G. 3), very remarkable block of 21 with numeral '4' cancellations. As one would expect with a multiple of this size, there are one or two small faults including a closed tear in the centre stamp of the top row. Clear margins all round and good colour. A showpiece. Ex Beresford and Tomasini.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Lot Estimated Value

121 O 1856-58 Adelaide 1d. deep yellow-green with FE 16/1859 c.d.s., 2d. pale red cancelled 'l', 6d. slate-blue horizontal pair with diamond grid cancel and 1s. orange with neat cancel leaving clear profile. Superb selection. Ex Tomasini.

£150



1856-58 Adelaide 1d. yellow-green (S.G. 6), horizontal strip of six, clear margins all round, fine colour, lightly cancelled on readdressed cover to London, backstamped on arrival MY 21/59. A great rarity. Ex Amundsen and Tomasini.

B.P.A. Certificate (1962).

£2500

123 O 1856-58 Adelaide 1s. orange (S.G. 12), superb horizontal strip of three, large margins, light cancellations, lovely colour. A beautiful item. Ex Ferrary and Tomasini.

#### **TASMANIA**



Lot

Estimated Value

124 O 1855 Large Star, Imperforate, 1d. carmine (S.G. 14), beautiful used block of four, margins all round except at the lower right where the design is just touched. Upper right stamp crease. Very rare.

Ex Caspary and Tomasini.

£350

#### **TRINIDAD**



1847 Lady McLeod 5c. blue (S.G. 1), good colour and huge margins showing portion of adjoining stamp at right, with manuscript cancellation on entire letter dated 23rd February 1848 at Port of Spain. The letter is addressed to San Fernando. Very fine and classic piece. Ex Moëns, Collins, Charlton-Henry and Tomasini.

#### TRINIDAD



Lot Estimated Value

1852-60 Lithographs. First issue (1d.) blue, Feb. 1863 (1d.) blue on bluish cartridge paper. Second issue (1d.) greenish blue. Third issue (1d.) bright blue and Fifth issue (1d.) bluish grey (S.G. 13, 14,15, 16, 19), few minor imperfections but generally exceptional. The last four ex Charlton-Henry, the penultimate example additionally ex Amundsen and all five ex Tomasini.

£750

1882 ½d. lilac, watermark Crown CA (S.G. 100), pristine unused o.g., block of 10, probably the largest known multiple of this stamp. The fourth stamp in the top row is the *dropped position* which is a constant plate variety on the Britannia issues. Lovely deep colour, a gem. Cat. £750.

£400



#### **VICTORIA**

1856 (12th April) entire letter from Geelong via Melbourne to London bearing 1854-59 6d. dull orange imperf. (S.G. 44a), with huge margins showing portions of adjoining stamps on all four sides, used together with the imperf. 6d. lilac and green (S.G. 54) TOO LATE stamp, also very fine. Ex Tomasini.

#### VIRGIN ISLANDS



Lot Estimated Value

1867-70 1s. rose-carmine, error 'Missing Virgin' (S.G. 20a), position 4 of the sheet, with gum and the only example having gum known to us. One of the most delightful and desirable philatelic rarities extant. Very few copies recorded. Ex Donne. See Back Cover.

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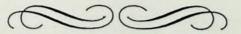
130 ★ 1899 ½d. yellow-green, unused o.g., marginal block of nine containing not only the two errors in the spelling of HALFPENNY (S.G. 43a, b), but also three horizontal pairs imperforate between (S.G. 43c) and imperf. between stamp and margin. Vertical crease on the three right stamps not affecting any of the varieties. Unused o.g. and a spectacular piece. Probably unique. Ex Charlton-Henry and Donne.

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13	600	40	260	67	650	94	700	121	180	
14	450	41	450	68	550	95	425	122	2750	
15	550	42	550	69	275	96	550	123	425	
16	2250	43	5000	70	250	97	4000	124	750	
17	500	44	5000	71	170	98	100	125	3000	
18	2750	45	7500	72	250	99	170	126	550	
19	6500	46	1500	73	3250	100	160	127	375	
20	475	47	750	74	225	101	400	128	400	
21	1200	48	650	75	750	102	200	129	13000	
22	1900	49	1800	76	400	103	325	130	1900	
23	3000	50	2250	77	5500	104	450			
24	400	51	1500	78	150	105	225			
25	800	52	275	79	650	106	130		100	
26	1800	53	190	80	5000	107	250	End		
27	500	54	850	81	550	108	1250		Sal	

<sup>\*</sup> Amendments to the descriptions of these three lots were announced during the course of the Sale.