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WESTERN AUSTRALIA - Postal History

Lot 754

754	C	A-

1854 entire headed "Lynton Cottage, Port Gregory/June 8th 1854" to England endorsed "To be forwarded" at upper-right & "Overland/by/1st Opportunity/HASanford", rated "1/8" in black, faint strike of the oval Perth Ship Letter handstamp, London transit & 'WELLINGTON-SOM' arrival b/s both in red. [Port Gregory is 64km north of Geraldton. *Sanford*, grandson of the *Duke of Bedford*, was appointed Superintendent of Convicts for a Ticket of Leave Depot established in 1853 at Port Gregory to supply labour to the Geraldine lead mine. Sanford resigned in (early?) 1854 to pursue whaling & agricultural interests. His house survives to this day. The convicts were removed in 1856. A post office operated 1/3/1854 until 30/4/1862, by which time Champion Bay was the major town in the region. Only two examples of the Port Gregory oval h/s have been recorded, both in late-1855: it is possible the postal "furniture" had not been received by the date of this letter. In 1943, the town was shelled by a Japanese submarine, ostensibly to divert Allied attention away from Guadalcanal!!]
[The lengthy & evocative letter states: "...Our cattle & sheep are being speared & carried off by the natives...the settlers being obliged to do police duty themselves. I am afraid about 50 natives have been shot in the last two months and two white men have been speared...no roads made in the district except those by individual enterprise...upwards of 150 T of L *[ticket of leave]* men are in the district many roaming around without employment...What was the country made a penal colony for? To make it go ahead or make it a haven of the worst scoundrels & every encouragement given to them to carry on their evil courses..."]

1,500T

Lot 755

755	C	A

1873 mourning cover to England with Wmk CC 6d violet tied by indistinct BN '17' of 'AUSTRALIND' (light cds adjacent), 'AYLESBURY' arrival b/s. [Number 7 in the *Pope & Reynolds* census]

750

Lot 756

756	PS	A-

1893 remarkable usage of GB 1d Postal Card to Albany (unframed arrival b/s), re-addressed - the original address is underneath the WA stamps - to the sender in England with ½d x5 tied by 'FREMANTLE/... - F' duplex, 22mm 'TRAVELLING-POST-OFFICE/ A /WA' transit cds of AU11/93 (inwards) on the reverse or AU18/93 (on the face), a few very minor blemishes. Extraordinary! [The sender asked for his enquiry to be answered by the card being re-addressed & two ½d stamps affixed. The recipient advised that he had to pay the letter rate of 2½d. The absence of an outgoing Albany postmark suggests the card was posted aboard the train]

500T

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Lot 757

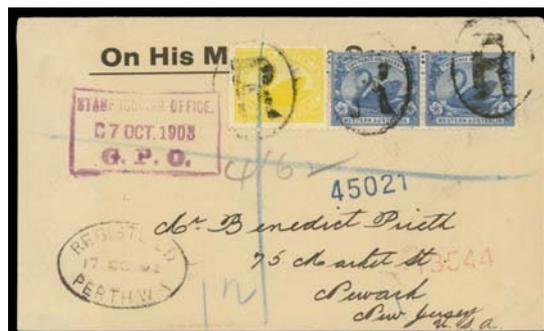| 757 | C | B | **1897** OHMS wrapper with printed 'Department of Mines' at top, to USA with the Department's frank stamp, oval d/s & authorising signature h/s - 'HSK' of *Henry Stamford King* - all in blue, scarce ' OFFICIAL PAID' h/s - as required to validate unstamped mail going abroad - in violet, minor soiling & repaired tear on the reverse. A most unusual item. *Ex Karman.* | 750 |

Lot 758

| 758 | C | B | **1898** cover to England with superb strike of the rare 'MR JUSTICE HENSMAN' Frank Stamp in violet barely obscured by 'SHIP MAIL ROOM - PERTH WA - GPO' duplex, two strikes of the 'PAID/OFFICIALLY/WEST AUSTRALIA' h/s required on overseas mail, part-flap removed & small repaired tear at top well clear of the Frank. Rated RRRR. *Ex Ray Felton.* [Believed only three examples - all on cover to England - have been recorded] | 750T |

Lot 759

| 759 | C | A- | **1901** mourning envelope for *Queen Victoria* with embossed crown in black on the flap, to the *Lord Bishop of Mashonaland* with superb strike of the 'GOVERNOR...' Frank Stamp (Type 2; large coat-of-arms) in violet & 'PAID/OFFICIALLY/WEST AUSTRALIA' cachet, 'DURBAN/NATAL' transit & 'BULAWAYO/RHODESIA' arrival b/s, ironed-out fold. A great destination & of stunning appearance! | 600 |

Lot 760

| 760 | C | A- | **1903** OHMS cover to United States with 2d & 2½d pair tied by 'R'-in-oval h/s & oval 'REGISTERED/PERTH WA' d/s at lower-left, fine strike of the rare boxed 'STAMP ISSUING OFFICE/2OCT1908/G.P.O.' d/s in purple, a couple of insignificant blemishes. The boxed d/s not recorded in *PMI*. | 500 |

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Lot	Type	Grading	Description	Est $AUD

Lot 761

| 761 | C | B | **1906** PPC ("Suspended Table, Lake Cave WA") to Barbados with 1d only tied by poor Bunbury duplex, scarce 'T/5' tax h/s, 'BARBADOS/GPO' arrival cds, minor discolouration. [The Empire 1d postcard rate was progressively extended to more & more colonies but apparently not to Barbados at this date. Only the single deficiency of ½d was charged] | 200 |

Lot 762

| 762 | C | B | **1906** *Falk* PPC ("Ivanhoe GM, Boulder WA") to "Coast Inspectors Office/Shanghai/China" with 1d only - but not taxed - tied by 'KILLERBERRIN' (error for KEllerberrin) cds, Hong Kong & 'SHANGHAI/BPO' transit cds & fine double-circle 'SHANGHAI/LOCAL POST' arrival cds all on the face, small tear at top. | 200 |

Lot 763

| 763 | PS | B | **1910** usage of Austrian 10h Postal Card to "Colgardie" *[sic]* with unusual routing via NSW (light 'ENGLISH MAIL NSW' transit b/s), very fine strikes of the boxed 'UNCLAIMED' (very worn) & 'UNKNOWN BY LETTER CARRIER' handstamps, endorsed "Retour/Karlsbad" in red, Coolgardie cds & poor transit b/s of the DLO Perth cds in red, minor blemishes. | 250T |

Lot 764

| 764 | C | | **1912** *Appleby* hand-illustrated cover fronts with the English address incorporated into the designs **1)** of the Halfpenny Stamp with ½d x2; & **2)** a map of England with 1d x2, apparently overweight and with WA and GB tax h/s; both with 'NEWCARNIE' cds, minor blemishes/toning. Attractive pair. | 400 |