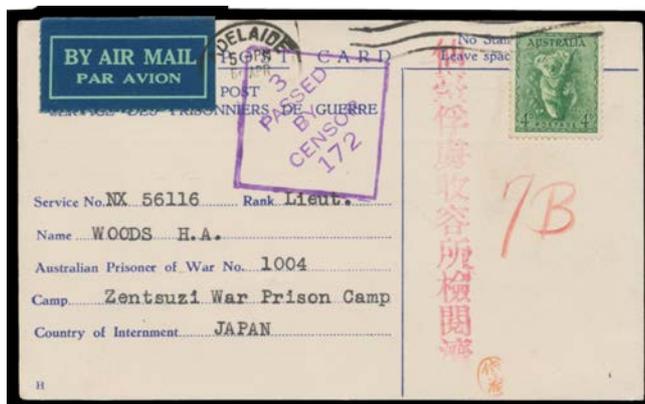


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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA - Military & Censor Mail

395	CPS		WORLD WAR II: Two albums of covers from the one correspondence to Tasmania with some better postmarks including 'MIL PO MONA VALE', 'RAAF 4103', 'RAAF 4017', RAAF POs at Parkes, Somers, Shepparton etc, a few from Cressy RAAF (Vic) but with civilian cds, '___ML___/NSW' & '___UL___/NSW' relief cds, some interest in the censor & other cachets, later period from the UK including many Aerogrammes (several with oval '466 SQUADRON RAAF/ORDERLY ROOM' d/s on reverse, some with the letters enclosed, condition rather mixed. (120+)	250
396	C	C	- 1944-45 four covers to an Australian officer at Zentsuji POW Camp in Japan, each at the 5d concessional airmail rate, all censored in Melbourne & with Japanese censor "chops", some staining & one with a stamp removed, one with the brief original letter enclosed; also a post-liberation medical tag for <i>Lieut Woods</i> noting he was suffering from malnutrition. (5 items)	400



Lot 397

397	C	A	- 1944 blue/white printed POW postcard from the same correspondence at the 4d concessional airmail rate, also censored at Melbourne & with large Japanese "chop", remarkably fine.	400
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We are pleased to offer the attractive collections of Bahamas and Bermuda formed by Russell Stern from Sydney.



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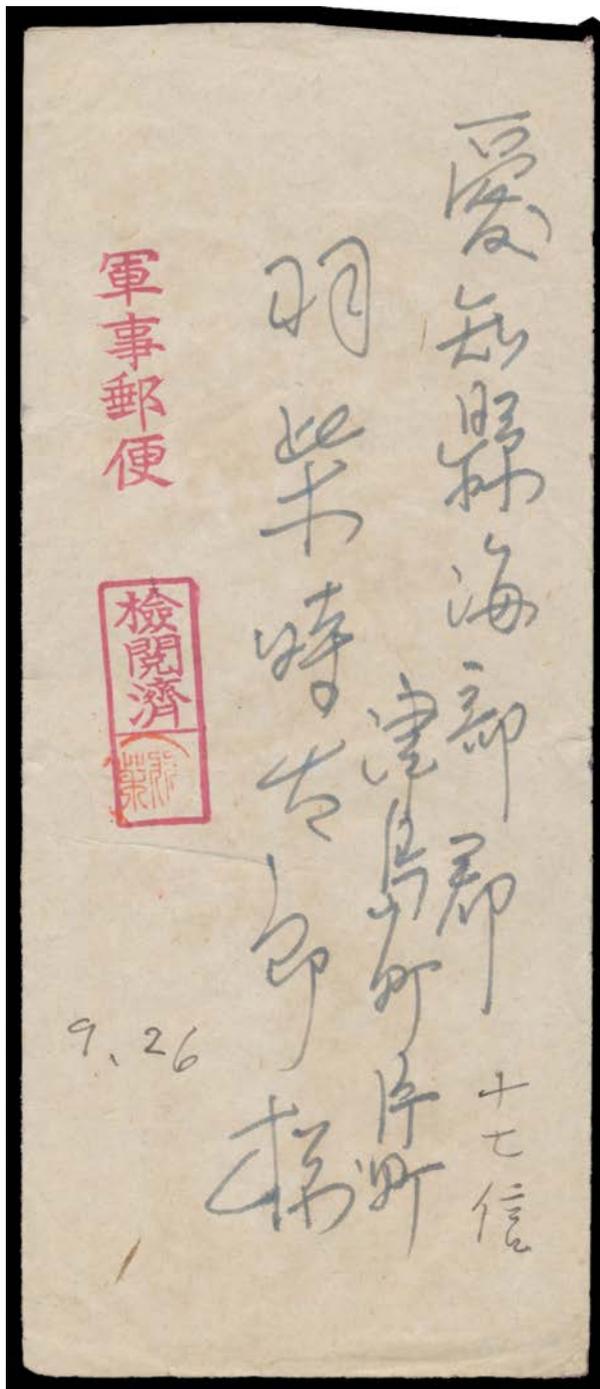
583	C/CL		BERMUDA: POSTAL HISTORY: A useful range of mostly commercial covers including 1903 PPC to GB with 'ONE/FARTHING' on 1/- grey x4, 1924 usage of US 3c Envelope uprated with 8c Franklin + Bermuda ½d & 2½d x3 and private 'SPECIAL DELIVERY' label, postage due covers including 1938 local cover from 'SOUTHAMPTON EAST' redirected to GB & taxed, 1944 large parcel piece to GB with 'PERMIT FILED' & 'LETTER RATE' handstamps, WWII with 'PASSED BY CENSOR/ 4 /BERMUDA' h/s or similar #8 19 & a superb 20, airmails including 1942-43 four covers to "Punta Arenas/Chile" at the 4/- rate (including registration) & 1942 registered to "Whitfield King & Co/care of British Philatelic Assn" with KGV1 Keyplates 12/6d, 1951 to NSW twice returned for additional postage!, etc, also nine PPCs including five <i>Ethel Tucker</i> paintings, condition variable but generally fine to very fine. (49 items)	600
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NAURU - Postal History

684 C A 1940 two HSF Dunne covers - one with imprint of SC Lau at Nauru at lower-left - each with 1½d Ship & Nauru cds, different Melbourne 'Opened by Censor' labels tied by boxed 'PASSED BY/CENSOR/V87...' or '.../V122...' h/s in violet.

120^T**Lot 685**

685 CL B 1943 (Aug 19) stampless cover to Japan with two boxed chops in magenta & circular Censor's chop of Hashiba in red, peripheral blemishes. With the lengthy enclosed letter from Tadao Hashiba to a family member: Very few entire letters from the Japanese on Nauru have survived. Ex John Darnell: acquired at the Prestige auction of 17/2/2012 for \$2645.

The writer states (translated) "...My aim is to do all I can not to die in this insignificant place. Contagious disease, amoebic dysentery, is rife here and not a few have died from it...A deadly struggle is being waged day and night in the Solomons...though one is in no doubt that Japan will prevail...everyone without exception, officers and men, has had dengue fever this past month...I wonder what fate has in store for me...So far I've had only one letter." In addition to the ravages of tropical diseases, some 300 Japanese died of starvation & many others resorted to cannibalism. Nauru was surrendered to the Australians on 13.9.1945.

1,400^T