

Lot Type Grading Description

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA - Postal History



Lot 571

571 C A- **1838** cross-written entire headed "Adelaide SA/October 31 1838" and signed "Robt Leake" to his brother in Van Diemens Land with a largely very fine strike of the undated double-circle 'POST OFFICE/[lion & crown]/ADELAIDE' h/s, very fine boxed 'SHIPLETTER/3DE3/1838' d/s of Hobart where rated "11" (4d inwards shipletter + 7d for delivery between 75 & 90 miles), light vertical fold. *Ex Michael Blake*: sold at the *Prestige* auction of 23.9.2011 for \$4370. A very fine and very early postmarked letter from the Colony, which was founded only two years earlier. [Postal operations began on 10/4/1837. Very few pre-1840 letters survive in private hands. The sole postage rate was 1d regardless of destination or distance carried & this was paid to the ship's captain]

Robert Rowland Leake was one of two sons of *John Leake* who settled in South Australia. Robert writes to his brother Edward - transcript included - "I have moved my flock to Coromandle village it is eight miles from Holdfast...you will want a weeks provisions...on first landing...walloughby (= wallaby) rugs...are excellent things in leaky huts...we have 22,000 sheep 2000 head of cattle and 200 horses in the Colony..."

2,000



Lot 572

572 C A **1859** cover to Scotland "p Salsette/via Marseilles" with rare franking of *Adelaide Printings* 6d slate-blue SG 10 two singles (the first with margins just clear to large, the other with margins at places; Cat £400+ on cover) tied by dumb cancels unusually in blue, 'PAID/AU17/1859=ADELAIDE- S.A.=', 'U M/EDINBURGH/OC9/59' arrival b/s. A very scarce double-rate franking. *Ex Michael Blake*. *RPSofV Certificate* (2014).

750

573 C B - cover to London "per Emeu" with very scarce franking of *First Roulettes* 6d slate-blue SG 17 tied by 'PAID/OC18/1859=ADELAIDE-S.A.', 'LONDON-SW/ A5 /DE14/59' arrival b/s, minor soiling & wrinkling.

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Lot 574

574	C	B	1862 entire to "Nuccaleena" with Rouletted 1d SG 19 horizontal pair (a couple of faults), Port Augusta cds, postmaster's manuscript endorsement "PO/Blinman/Nov 21 1862" on the reverse, unclaimed & returned via 'KANYAKA' (b/s) to the GPO (b/s) where presumably the 'UNCLAIMED' h/s was applied.	200
575	CL	B	1876 triple-rate cover to Oxfordshire "Via Brindisi" with scarce three-colour franking of 9d red-purple SG 77 & 1/- deep red-brown SG 82 plus De La Rue Perf 10 2d brick-red SG 159 irregular strip of 3 tied to by GPO cds of JA1/76, very fine 'BANBURY/FE14/76' arrival b/s, ironed-out light horizontal fold well clear of the stamps, minor blemishes.	200
576	C	C	1887 cover with DLR 2d tied by very fine 'JUBILEE EXHIBITION/JY13/87/S-A' squared-circle & a second fair strike alongside, to NSW with Manly arrival b/s, some toning & repaired tear at upper-left well clear of the datestamp. PO -.8.1887; closed -.3.1888. [Recorded JU13/87 to JA5/88 only: very few covers recorded]	200
577	C	A	1889 1d violet Postal Card to Holland with lengthy personal message and Bantam 1/2d block of 4 added tied 'SHIP MAIL ROOM/OC26/89/SA' duplex cancels, taxed with inverted 'T' in triangle cachet, 'HAARLEM/29/NOV/89' arrival cds on face but no evidence that postage due was collected. [Apparently an attempt to pay the 3d Treaty postcard rate, but this applied only to the United Kingdom; there was no other postcard rate available until after the Australian Colonies joined the UPU in October 1891, so this item should have been paid at the full 6d ship letter rate]	300



Lot 578

578	C	B	1890 cover endorsed "From Gunner J Woolley RMA [= Royal Marines Artillery] HMS Curacoa Australia" & counter-signed "IMRG" (Lieut Ian MR Grant), to London with South Australian 2d tied by 'SHIP MAIL ROOM/ JY9/90/SA - S.AUST' duplex, 'LONDON-SE/ 10 /AU13/90' arrival b/s in red, repaired flap fault. Rare: the only sailor's letter from South Australia that we have offered.	1,800
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Lot 579

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579	PS	(B)	1901 (July 13) Boer War usage of British 2d Registration Envelope to Largs Bay endorsed "From/Lt [?]/IBC" at upper-left, ORC 1d & 6d Surcharges tied by 'HEILBRON/ORC' cds, 'Passed Censor' h/s in violet, Cape Town transit & Adelaide arrival b/s of AU20/01, repaired flap fault. Boer War covers to South Australia are very scarce.	500 ^T
580	CL	B	1907 OHMS wrapper with printed 'Book Parcel Only' to Brisbane with scarce franking of 1d & Thick 'POSTAGE' 4d both punctured 'SA' tied by Adelaide cds, minor defects. A rare & very unusual item. [NB: the 4d has been cut from another article & affixed with the backing paper to this wrapper]	200

**Lot 581**

581	CO	C	- oversize cover (248x160mm) with <i>Francis Snow</i> imprint at the top to Germany with exceptional franking of Thick 'POSTAGE' 3d x3 6d x2 & 2/6d violet tied by the scarce 'ENG MAIL TPO/8AU1907/S AUSTRALIA' cds, superb 'HALBERSTADT/8.9.07' arrival b/s, a few faults including repairs with archival tape along central fold. An impressive exhibit. [This is the largest number of "Long Toms" we have seen on a single cover & the only franking of the 2/6d known to us. The ACSC (2004) gives values on cover for the 3d (\$150) & 6d (\$400) but not for any denomination above 8d. <i>Les Molnar's</i> 1915 cover with the TPO cds - stated to be the later of only two recorded covers - sold at our auction of 3.4.2017 for \$1380]	750 ^T
582	CL	A-	1910 (Mar 18) OHMS with 'Officer Supervising Rifle Clubs/Military Staff Office' imprint at L/L, very scarce franking of Thick 'POSTAGE' punctured 'OS' 3d & 4d tied by 'REGD ADELAIDE' cds, 'THEBARTON' squared-circle arrival b/s. [The rate was 1d per ounce x4 + 3d registration]	400 ^T
583	D	A-	POSTMARKS: 1927 parcel piece with KGV SMult Wmk Perf 14 1d green x20 tied by multiple strikes of the rare boxed 50x31½mm 'PARCEL POST/24NOV1927/ADELAIDE SA' d/s (#CRR-2; LRD) in violet, minor defects. ["Handheld Postmarks of South Australia" records one strike only, with approximate dimensions]	100