

Lot Type Grading Description

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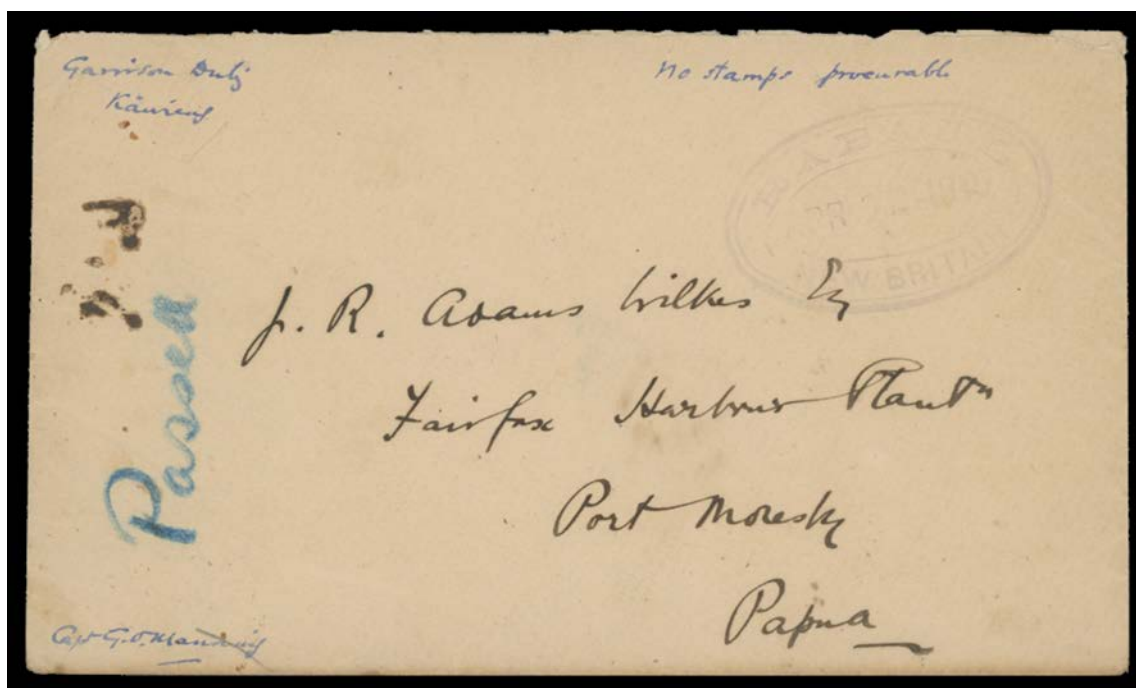
**NEW GUINEA - Stampless On Active Service Mail**

After the outbreak of WWI on 4.8.1914, Australian troops occupied German New Guinea, which formally surrendered on 21.9.1914.



Lot 2556

**2556** C B - cover initialed "JW/299" at L/L, endorsed "Garrison at Rabaul" & "Stamps/not available", to London with faint Sydney b/s of OC28-1914 & '1D' h/s, British '1D/FB' h/s & Postage Due 1d tied by London cds of 11DE/14, light horizontal fold at the base.

1,250<sup>T</sup>

Lot 2557

**2557** C B 1915 cover endorsed "Garrison Duty/Kavieng" at U/L & "no stamps procurable" at U/R, signed "Captain GO Manning" at L/L below blue-pencil "Passed", to "Fairfax Harbour Plant/Port Moresby/Papua" with faint strike of the triple-oval Rabaul d/s of APR271915, 'SAMARAI ED/20MAY15/PAPUA' transit b/s, light overall aging. A rare usage to the adjoining territory of Papua. [Stamps had been available at Rabaul since October 1914. However, distribution to other offices was rather haphazard]

1,500<sup>T</sup>