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REST OF THE WORLD - GENERAL and MISCELLANEOUS LOTS

1522	***/O		Carton containing mint and used World in album leaves, <i>Hagners</i> , and packets including Bahawalpur 1948 tp 10r *; Bhutan 3-D stamps; GB QEII pre-decimal mint sheets including 1959 (toned) & 1968 2/6d Castles; Nauru & PNG modern sheets; Portugal 1945 Navigators M/S; etc. Condition mixed, Weighs 7kg. (many 100s)	300
1524	C/CL		Worldwide covers large accumulation mostly 1960s to modern commercial mail including many airmails to Australia & Nauru (!) from New Zealand, Pacific Islands, Canada, GB, Europe, USA with values to \$2, etc, noted 1988 Western Samoa official airmail to Nauru with 'MISSENT NIUE' cachet & 'ALOFI/NIUE' cds, some registered, official mail, 'Return To Sender', stationery, box of large-format covers with higher values, plus FDCs including quantity of USA 1960s-70s, condition mixed. Weighs 52kg. (1000s)	400
1537	***/O		Australian Territories in 10 albums, mixed mint and used plus some GB, sure to be some pickings. (100s)	200

BRITISH EMPIRE SPECIMEN STAMPS

In recent years, 'SPECIMEN' and CTO stamps have become ever more popular. The relatively low numbers produced means that such material is generally very scarce. And a lack of care on the part of the UPU and/or the postal agencies means that defects - especially perforation problems - should be expected. Much of the material released by various receiving authorities is far from pristine: often the stamps have been soaked off ledger pages & in many cases fugitive inks have faded. The collection offered here, with strength in the Reign of KEVII, is by far the most extensive we have handled: note that further extensive selections are included in the 'Eureka' Australian Colonies catalogue. The quality generally is at least as fine as can be expected. Much of this material, from an unknown source, has full unmounted gum but also exhibits some tropicalisation. There is also some material that is truly superb! Such matters have been taken into account in our gradings. References are to the pioneering work by Marcus Samuel (1976), James Bendon's monumental "UPU Specimen Stamps 1878-1961" (2015) & "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton.



Lot 1750

1750	**/*	A/A+	NAURU: 1916 Overprints on GB 1/- bistre (very lightly mounted) & DLR 5/- SG 22 (unmounted & superb!) both with italicised 'SPECIMEN' overprint, Cat £465+ (mounted).	400
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GILBERT & ELLICE ISLANDS - Postal History

2003	C	B	1930 (c.) philatelic cover to NSW with KGV 2½d x3 & superb strike of the very scarce 'SS NAURU CHIEF' handstamp, light spotting.	150
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NAURU - Postal History

Lot 2048

2048	C	B	1906 'Gruss von der Insel Nauru' Undivided Back PPC with vignette views of Catholic Mission, Government House & Native Scene, to Japan with message dated "19/1.06" & Marshall Islands 5pf Yacht pair tied 'JALUIT/22.1/06' cds, partial 'KO[BE]/JA[PAN]' arrival cds in violet, a few blemishes. [Carried to Jaluit where it was placed into the mail; the Nauru Postal Agency did not open until 14.7.1908]	300
2049	CL	B	1918 cover to Melbourne (b/s) with superb strike of the scarce oval 'OFFICIAL/FREE/POSTAGE' cachet in grey-blue, Pleasant Island cds of MR21/18 & boxed 'Pleasant Island/(Nauru)' registration h/s (very worn state), a few blemishes. [We have recorded only one other registered cover with the Free cachet]	150
2050	C	A-	1930 (c.) philatelic cover to NSW with <i>Rough Paper</i> 1d green x3 cancelled with two superb strikes of the very scarce 'SS NAURU CHIEF' handstamp.	150
2051	CL	B	1938 OHMS cover with 'ADMINISTRATION OF NAURU' imprint, to Melbourne with two fine to very fine strikes of the very rare 30mm 'OFFICIAL PAID/22AP38/NAURU' cds, minor blemishes. [Keith Buckingham's only date for this cds was 18AP47. This is more than nine years earlier]	100