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### WESTERN AUSTRALIA - Postal History

721	C	A-	<b>1844</b> mercantile entire headed "Bunbury 9th Feby 1844" and endorsed within "Triplicate pr Velocity/original pr Ganges/Duplicate pr Shepherd", to London endorsed "pr Velocity", rated "4d" with very fine strike of the boxed 'PAID/("13.3.44")/FREMANTLE' h/s in red, London 'SHIP LETTER' h/s & 'VT /20OC20/1844' arrival cds both in red & rated "8" for an inwards shipletter, ironed-out vertical fold at left. [The writer, <i>James Kaye Child</i> , arrived at Australind per 'Henry' on 20.4.1841, aged 25. During 1844, he commenced a whaling venture at Bunbury but died in 1846]	1,000
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### 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.*



Ex Lot 1635

<b>1635</b>	*	A/B	<b>FALKLAND ISLANDS:</b> 1929-32 Whale & Penguin ½d to £1 SG 116-126 with Horseshoe Punctures, a couple of small faults on the lower values, Cat £1000. (11)	750
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