#### **Collecting East Africa**

One of the attractions of East Africa is the wide range of topics upon which a collection can focus. To some extent this was well illustrated last year when the East Africa Study Circle celebrated its 40th anniversary with a display at the Royal Philatelic Society London. There was a record number of visitors and they were able to view some of the finest material from this area, including contributions of early material from John Minns and John Wilks.

It is important to realise how primitive the postal facilities were in this area, and how late they came into being. The result is that whilst the perception of late Victorian material of, say, UK is commonplace, the material of similar date from the East African area is in a different ballpark altogether. It has been said that some of the material is so scarce that it is impossible for there to be more than one or two or very few definitively comprehensive collections.

Opportunities to acquire such material from the very outset of the postal enterprises in East Africa are few and far between.

The opening of the Suez canal, in 1869, marked the change for Zanzibar from being a backwater, as far as the west was concerned, to occupying a prime position commanding the seaway from Europe to India. Then, as its diabolical slave trade was exposed for what it was, pressure mounted for its abolition, not only by political persuasion, but by practical means as well. The porters who had carried the ivory from Uganda to the coast had provided one source of slaves. The railway to Lake Victoria eliminated the requirement for porters, and also the supply of slaves to the coast. The building of that railway, through the barren land of British East Africa, was the foundation of the country that is now Kenya. Its cause and effect makes for a fascinating study.

Several colonial powers exerted their influence and promoted their own postal services in this part of the world: notably, Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, Italy and Portugal. They are all avenues to explore. The political changes, reflected in the stamps, add to the possibilities for collections, with the name changes and evolutions from independence to conquest to federation to independence and co-dependence.

Countries such as British East Africa, East Africa Protectorate, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Jubaland, Kenya Colony, Mafia Island, Malakote, Uganda, Ruanda Urundi, Somalia, Sudan, Tanganyika, Tanzania, Wituland, Zanzibar etc are sources to conjure with, as also are the highest mountains in Africa – Kilimanjaro, Kenya, Elgon and, of course, the Ruwenzoris in western Uganda where the Kilembe copper mines provided the raison d'etre for the final extension of the Lunatic Line, or the Uganda Railway, to reach the Mountains of the Moon.

In fact, the opportunities are diverse for the philatelist and the postal historian alike, beginning in the mid Victorian era with the Zanzibar post offices run by German, French and Indian post offices. Then came the German development of the mainland postal system in German East Africa and Lamu, and that by the Imperial British East Africa Company in the territories that became the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates.

From these entrepreneurial origins, one can follow the assembly of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika as a model of economic co-operation, the development of the East African Community, and see its central place in communications across Africa. Then with independence there is another watershed for collecting interests that still allows a sense of completeness for collectors of the area. And that is possibly one reason for its fascination for us. Your collection does not have to be complete to be complete. Whilst there are many ways to match interests and the material that comes our way, the present occasion is a unique opportunity to access the stamps or early postal history of this area. As John Minns once advised me, when an item with a place in your collection becomes available you have to weigh the chance of that opportunity repeating itself in your lifetime.

Jonathan Smalley, November 2019 Chairman, East Africa Study Circle

#### The John Wilks FRPSL, Collection of British East Africa



John has been collecting British East Africa since the late 1970s when a visit to his parents in Kenya and a journey 'up country' on the Uganda Railway triggered his interest in East Africa and at the same time stimulated a resumption of his lifelong general interest in philately.

His collection, assembled over a period of nearly forty years, includes items from all the well-known specialist collections of British East Africa from Hind, Danson, Seys, Pennycuik, Dunstan and Rossiter to Minns, Chantry and Gawaine Baillie in more recent times. Included in the collection are early proofs from the archives of Bradbury Wilkinson and rare essays and artists proofs from the de la Rue archives.

John first joined the Harrogate Philatelic Society over fifty years ago and in more recent times served as its president. In 1990 he joined the Royal Philatelic Society London and was elected a Fellow in 2018. He has been an active member of the East Africa Study Circle from its earliest years and has served as both its Bulletin Editor and its Chairman; last year in the latter capacity he participated in the Circle's highly acclaimed Group Display at the Royal.

He continues to collect the postal history of East Africa with particular interest in the early missionaries and the railway, but has decided it is now time to pass on his stamps to others younger than himself so that they too may enjoy this fascinating area of philately.

John qualified as a solicitor in 1963. He lives in Harrogate and retired some years ago as senior partner in a prominent legal practice in the town.

#### The John Wilks FRPSL Collection of British East Africa

#### 1890 I.B.E.A. Co. Overprints on Great Britain







1 C 1/2a. on 1d., 1a. on 2d. and 4a. on 5d. each handstamped "CANCELLED" (type GB14), very fine with gum and strong colours, the 1a. on 2d. lower marginal and showing break in second "N" of "ANNA". Produced as De La Rue or Inland Revenue reference specimens, it is thought that no more than twelve sets were created. Photo. £3,000-£4,000









- 1/4a. on 1d., 1a. on 2d. and 4a. on 5d. mainly fine and fresh mint, the 1a. on 2d. with light horizontal bends but  $2 \star$ lower marginal and unmounted. S.G. 1-3, cat. £1,375. Photo. £400-£500
- 3 ★ 4a. on 5d. showing constant variety "B" over "S" in "EAST" from second column in setting, fine mint. S.G. 3 var., cat. £600+. Photo. £250-£300

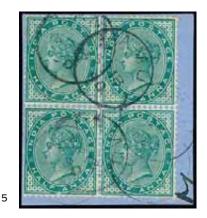
#### Use of Stamps of India in 1890

Sent during the period of temporary shortage of stamps after the purchase by dealers Whitfield King of the remaining stock of the first issue



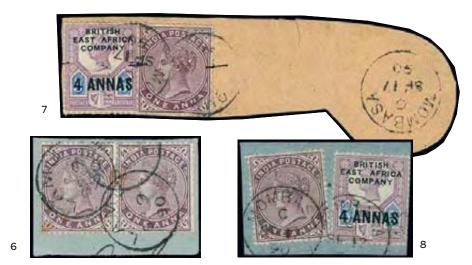






- 1a. plum horizontal pair cancelled by exceptionally fine "C/JY 22/90" strikes of Mombasa c.d.s., somewhat toned, one thinned on reverse. Ex 'Shivani'. Almost certainly used on mail carried by the S.S. "Madura" which departed on July 23. Photo. £200-£250
- **5** 1/4a. blue-green block of four tied to small piece by strikes of "LAMU/SE 9/90" c.d.s's, small abrasion at foot of stamp at lower left but a rare multiple. Ex Sturton. R.P.S. certificate (2016). Photo. £1,000-£1,200

#### Use of Stamps of India in 1890 continued



- 6 ▲ 1a. plum horizontal pair tied to small piece by strikes of "LAMU/SE 9/90" c.d.s., slight stains. Ex Owen, Pennycuick and Chantry. Photo. £200-£250
- 7 ▲ 1a. plum used with B.E.A. Co. 4a. on 5d. cancelled by "C/SP 17/90" strikes of Mombasa c.d.s. on piece with additional strike at right and additionally tied by ink lines, trivial imperfections. Ex 'Shivani" and Rossiter. A franking combination known also on a commercial registered cover of the same date. Photo.
  £700-£800
- 8 ▲ 1a. plum used with B.E.A. Co. 4a. on 5d. tied to small piece by "C/SP 17/90" strikes of Mombasa c.d.s., attractive. Ex Kiesel. *A franking combination known also on a commercial registered cover of the same date.* Photo.

£700-£800

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives: Proofs



9 P Bradbury, Wilkinson recess master die proof of small (annas) format in vermilion on thick wove paper with value tablet blank, slight thinning of reverse and ink oxidisation but a rare proof. Ex Danson and Minns. Photo.

£600-£800



10 P Bradbury, Wilkinson recess master die proof of large (rupee) format in deep green on thick wove paper (40 x 42mm), unfinished with upper Arabic numeral tablets and value tablet blank, slight mounting thin at top and trace marks of previous framing. Ex Baumann and Minns. Photo also on back cover. £2,000-£2,500







- 11 P Bradbury, Wilkinson recess master die proof of large (rupee) format in brick-red on thick wove paper, unfinished with upper Arabic numeral tablets blank, handstamped "SPECIMEN." (Samuel type B3) in violet over blank value tablet. Ex 'Shivani' and Vestey. Photo also on back cover. £2,000-£2,500
- 12 P Bradbury, Wilkinson litho die proof of 4a. in pale brown on wove paper (33 x 37mm), tiny thins and slight residual mounting gum traces. The unique completed die proof. Ex Baumann, Minns and Baillie. Photo. £1,200-£1,500
- 13 P Bradbury, Wilkinson litho imperf. proof of 21/2a. in black on thick yellow-buff paper, stamp-sized, slight faults but rare. Two singles and two pairs (one in the Royal Philatelic Collection) are recorded. Ex Danson and Minns. Photo. £500-£600

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives: Recess Imperf. Sample Proofs Perforated "SPECIMEN" (Samuel type B1)







14 P ½a. in green. Ex 'Shivani'. One of five recorded, two in this colour. Photo. £500-£600

15 P ½a. in brown-red. Ex Minns and Baillie. One of five recorded, two in this colour. Photo. £500-£600

16 P ½a. in orange-red. Ex 'Shivani'. One of five recorded, unique in this colour. Photo. £500-£600









17 P 1a. in blue-green. Ex Rossiter, Minns and Baillie. One of only two recorded, unique in this colour. Photo.

£500-£600

18 P 2a. in dark brown. Ex Rossiter, Minns and Baillie. One of eight recorded, two in this colour. Photo. £500-£600

19 P 2a. in indigo. Ex Seys, Minns and Baillie. One of eight recorded, unique in this colour. Photo. £500-£600

20 P 8a. in bright blue. Ex 'Shivani' and Vestey. One of five recorded. Photo. £500-£600

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives: Bradbury, Wilkinson File Reference Stamps





Ex 21

A unique assembly originally retained by the printers, all in fine ungummed marginal blocks of four comprising 1890 printing ½a., 1a., 2a., 4a. (both colours), 8a. blue, 1r. (both colours), 2r., 3r., 4r. (2) and 5r. (2), 1891 printing 3a., 4½a., 1892 printing 2½a., 1893 printing ½a., 2½a., 3a., 4½a., 1895 printing ½a., 1a., most handstamped "SPECIMEN" in red or green (sometimes very faint), mainly fine. (21 blocks of four) With two B.P.A. certificates, 1991, for twelve blocks, ten included in this lot. Photo.





1891 printing 3a. and 4½a., upper left corner blocks of four of each value from the two sheets retained by the printers, one block of each dated "5th May 1891" in upper selvedge and with each stamp handstamped "SPECIMEN" (faintly) in red, fine without gum. (4 blocks of four) With photocopy of B.P.A. certificate (1991) for dated blocks. Photo.

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1895 modified design 5a. and 7½a., each in an upper marginal block of four, also 1890 4r. and 5r. blocks of four from the top of the sheet, each from the single sheet of each value retained by the printers, mainly fine without gum. (4 blocks of four) Photo.

£300-£400

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives: Issued Stamps

- Mainly mint selection comprising 1890 printing ½a. to 5r. (8a. grey unused and with some pulled perfs. at right), 1891 printing 2½a., 3a., 4½a. (slightly thinned), 1892 printing 2½a., 1893 printing ½a. to 4½a., 1894 printing ½a., 1a., modified design 5a., 7½a. and 1894 surcharges, a few heavy mounts but mostly fine. (26) £120-£150
- 25 ★ Selection of printings all in fresh mint blocks of four, comprising ½a. first, second and third printings, 1a. first and second printings, 2a., 2½a. third printing, 3a. first and second printings, 4a. yellow-brown, 4½a. first and second printings, 8a. blue, 1r. carmine, 2r., 3r., 4r. and 5r., modified design 5a. and 7½a., new mainly fine with many unmounted. (20 blocks of four) £250-£300







26 ★ ■ Selection of mint multiples incl. scarcer comprising first printing ½a. block of twelve, 1a. block of five and strip of three, all ex Minto and Minns, ½a. third printing and 1a. second printing complete sheets of sixty, 2½a. third printing blocks of four (2), 4a. yellow-brown blocks of four and nine, both showing malformed "S" in "EAST" [R. 3/1] and ex Minns, chiefly fine. (161) Also a slightly duplicated series of twenty enlarged plating photographs of complete sheets to 5r. incl. 1894 surcharges. £100-£120

27 **B** ½a. dark brown on thin paper, scarce first printing, complete sheet of sixty less horizontal strip of five [R. 6/1-6/5], mainly fine unmounted mint. S.G. 4. Only one full sheet is recorded. £250-£300

29 ★ ½a. dark brown on thin paper, first printing, imperf. horizontal pair, mint, fine. S.G. 4a, cat. £1,500. Photo. £500-£600

30 ★ ½a. deep dull brown on thick paper, second printing, imperf. horizontal pair from the lower left corner of the sheet, large part original gum, fine. S.G. 4ba, cat. £900. Photo. £300-£350

31 ★ ½a. deep dull brown on thick paper, second printing, horizontal pair imperf. between, mint, fine and rare.

Only ten unused pairs recorded. S.G. 4bb, cat. £1,700. Photo.

£1,000-£1,200







32 ★ ½a. deep dull brown on thick paper, second printing, vertical pair imperf. between, large part original gum, fine. S.G. 4bc, cat. £1,400. Photo. £700-£800

1a. blue-green, first printing, imperf. horizontal pair, mint with two pressed horizontal creases, fine appearance. Ex Carleton Jones. S.G. 5a, cat. £5,000. Photo also on back cover. £1,200-£1,500

1a. blue-green, scarce first printing, complete sheet of sixty less the upper left corner stamp but including the "ANL" variety [R. 6/5], a few minor bends, not affecting the variety, otherwise fine unmounted mint. S.G. 5, aa, cat. £1,551+. Photo on page 16. £700-£800

2a. vermilion, complete mint sheet of sixty, some faint stains and patches of missing gum otherwise fine. S.G. 6, cat. £420+. £100-£120

36 ★ 2a. vermilion, imperf. horizontal pair, large part original gum, fine. S.G. 6a, cat. £5,000. Photo also on back cover.

£1,500-£2,000

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued



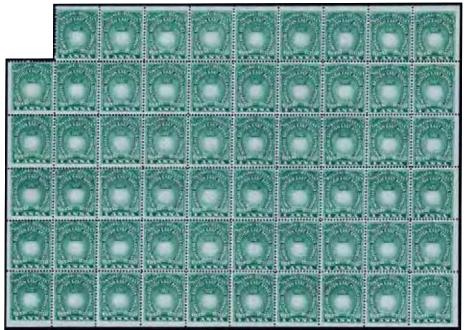
37 ★ 2½a. black on yellow thin paper, first printing, mint horizontal strip of three from the right of the sheet, imperf. between pair at left [columns 8-9], a few shortish perfs. at left otherwise fine and unique. Ex Wood and Krieger. S.G. 7a, cat. £8,000+. The only recorded example in a strip. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 34. Photo also on back cover.£6,000-£8,000



- 38 ★ ⊞ 2½a. black on buff thin paper, second printing, mint block of four, marginal from the top of the sheet, mainly fine.

  The only known unused block. S.G. 7b, cat. £400+. Photo.

  £300-£400
- 39 ⊞ 2½a. black on buff thin paper, second printing, block of four used with "JY 18/93" Mombasa squared circles, slight faults at left but rare. Ex Rossiter. S.G. 7b. Only two blocks of four from the second printing are known, one being unused. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (first edition, 1981), p. 23. £100-£120







- 40 ⊞ 2½a. black on bright yellow thick paper, third printing, complete mint sheet of sixty, odd trivial imperfection but mainly fine and unmounted except seven. S.G. 7c, cat. £360+. £120-£150
- 41 ☆ 2½a. black on bright yellow thick paper, third printing, imperf. vertical pair, unused without gum, fine. S.G. 7cb, cat. £1,200. Photo. £300-£350
- 42 ★ 2½a. black on bright yellow thick paper, third printing, horizontal pair imperf, between, large part original gum, fine. S.G. 7cc, cat. £1,400. Photo. £700-£800
- 43 ★ 2½a. black on bright yellow thick paper, third printing, vertical pair imperf, between, mint, minor faults, fine appearance. S.G. 7cd, cat. £1,400. Photo. £300-£350
- 3a. black on bright red, second printing, complete mint sheet of sixty incl. constant variety dot in "P" of "POST" [R. 2/1], two with trivial stains and hinged on four only, chiefly fine. S.G. 8a, cat. £240+. £80-£100
- 45 ★ 3a. black on bright red, second printing, imperf. horizontal pair, mint, slight hinge thin and one creased corner but fine appearance. S.G. 8ab, cat. £1,200. Photo. £200-£250



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- 46 ★ 3a. black on bright red, second printing, horizontal pair imperf, between, part original gum, fine. S.G. 8ac, cat. £900. Photo. £400-£500
- 47 ★ 3a. black on bright red, second printing, vertical pair imperf, between, part original gum, mainly fine. S.G. 8ad, cat. £700. Photo. £250-£300
- 48 **B** 4a. yellow-brown, complete mint sheet of sixty incl. constant variety malformed "S" in "EAST" [R. 3/1], one with thinned hole otherwise chiefly fine and unmounted except twelve. S.G. 9, cat. £150+. £70-£90



- 49 ☆ 4a. yellow-brown, imperf. horizontal pair, unused without gum as usually found, fine. S.G. 9a, cat. £5,000. Photo. £1,500-£2,000
- 50 🔅 4a. grey imperf. single, unused example from the ungummed sheet, fine. S.G. 10, cat. £1,200. Photo. £400-£500

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued



- 4a. grey, imperf. horizontal pair, tied to small piece by neat Mombasa "OC 19/94" c.d.s's and red London oval arrival. Ex Minns. S.G. 10, cat. £2,800+. Photo. £1,800-£2,000
- 52 B 4½a. brown-purple, second printing, complete mint sheet of sixty, mainly fine and unmounted except four. S.G. 11a, cat. £150+. £70-£90







- 53 ★ 4½a. brown-purple, second printing, imperf. horizontal pair from the top of the sheet, mint with light overall toning. Ex Carleton Jones and Minns. S.G. 11ab, cat. £2,000. Photo. £600-£700
- 54 ★ 4½a. brown-purple, second printing, vertical pair imperf. between, part original gum, lower corners slightly rounded otherwise fine. S.G. 11ac, cat. £1,500. Photo. £500-£600
- 55 ★ 4½a. brown-purple, second printing, vertical pair imperf. between, large part original gum, light bends and gum thin, fine appearance. S.G. 11ad, cat. £1,100. Photo. £300-£350
- 8a. blue, complete mint sheet of sixty, odd faint stain or bend otherwise mainly fine and unmounted except nine.

  S.G. 12, cat. £330+.

  £140-£160
- 57 O 8a. blue, imperf. horizontal pair, used with "MR 28/92" squared circle, fine. Ex Minns. S.G. 12a, cat. £1,500. Photo. £500-£600
- 58 ★ 8a. blue, mint block of eight (4 x 2) from the upper right corner of the sheet, the vertical row of perforations dramatically misplaced, hinged on upper and lower pairs only, mainly fine. Ex Minns. S.G. 12 var. Photo on page 20. £400-£500
- 59 ⊞ 8a. grey, block of four cancelled by Lamu "A/NO 10/91" c.d.s's, mainly fine. A very scarce multiple, one of just three blocks of four or larger recorded. Ex Danson and Pennycuick. S.G. 13, cat. £900+. Photo. £500-£600
- **60** O 8a. grey and 1r. grey, with straight edge at foot and left respectively, the first cancelled by "JY 30/92" Mombasa squared circle, the other "DE 20/93" and with blue pencil line, mainly fine. S.G. 13, 15, cat. £450. Photo.

£120-£150

1r. carmine, complete mint sheet of sixty, odd minor stain otherwise mainly fine and unmounted except four. S.G. 14, cat. £360+. £150-£170



- 1r. carmine, imperf. horizontal strip of three tied by "MR 28/92" squared circles and red London registered 62 **A** oval datestamp to piece, fine and unique. Ex Manus and Minns. S.G. 14a. Photo. £1,000-£1,200
- 63 B 2r. brick-red, complete mint sheet of sixty, odd faint stain otherwise mainly fine and unmounted except four. S.G. 16, cat. £840+. £300-£350
- 64 B 3r. slate-purple, complete mint sheet of sixty, a few small stains and some perf. separation otherwise mainly fine and unmounted except eight. S.G. 17, cat. £900+. £300-£350
- 65 B 4r. ultramarine, complete mint sheet of sixty, some stains and hinged on four but mostly fine. S.G. 18, cat. £900+. Photo on page 20.
- 66 B 5r. grey-green, complete mint sheet of sixty, some gum irregularities, hinged on six, odd small stain but mostly fine. S.G. 19, cat. 1,800+. Photo on page 20. £600-£800
- 67 O Used selection to 5r. with shades and printings, 8a. and 1r. grey, 1895 surcharges and 1895 new values, poor to £200-£300 fine. (27)
- 68 O Late usage during Changeover of Postal Administration, Mombasa squared circles "3 JY" on 4a., "JY 7" on 1r. and "JY 9" on 21/a., possibly from items sent from up-country and probably despatched on the sailing of the Purulia on July 9. Also 'Remington' ms. ½a. on 3a. cancelled "JY 9" c.d.s. and later more opportunist use of 8a. "AU 10" and 1a. "SP 13". (6 items) £100-£120











#### 1891 Mombasa Provisionals





- 69 🔾  $\hbox{$^{\'$}{\rm ''}{\rm ''}$ Anna" handstamped on 2a. vermilion, initialled $^{\'$}{\rm ''}{\rm ''}{$ c.d.s. and crossed by blue pencil line as noted on mail from the C.M.S. Mission at Freretown, pressed corner crease otherwise fine. S.G. 20, cat. £1,100. Photo. £250-£300
- 70 🔾 "½ Anna" handstamped on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.D." by Chief Accountant Andrew Dick, late use with "MY 4(?)" c.d.s., fine. S.G. 20, cat. £1,100. Photo. £250-£300



#### 1891 Mombasa Provisionals continued

"½ Anna" handstamped on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.D." by Chief Accountant Andrew Dick, used on piece with 2a., 8a. grey, 1r. carmine pair and single, tied by Mombasa "A/MY 27/91" c.d.s.'s and crossed by blue pencil line as noted on mail from the C.M.S. Mission at Freretown. Ex Danson (Robson Lowe May 4 1971, lot 1070) but the surcharge offered 'as-is'. Photo.

£150-£200



72 O "½ Anna" handstamped on 2a. vermilion, unused, trivial mark at left otherwise fine and most attractive.

One of only six recorded unused examples. Ex Krieger. S.G. 20, cat. £11,000. Photo also on back cover.

£7,000-£9,000



"½ Anna" handstamped on 2a. vermilion, the original face value not obliterated due to low surcharge struck directly over value tablet, initialled "A.D." by Chief Accountant Andrew Dick, latest recorded date with "JY 5/92" squared circle and blue pencil line as noted on mail from the C.M.S. Mission at Freretown, fine. One of only five recorded examples, illustrated in "British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery" by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 44. S.G. 20b, cat. £3,750. Photo.
£1,500-£2,000



74 O "1 Anna" handstamped on 4a. brown, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, fine used. R.P.S. certificate (1933). S.G. 21, cat. £2,250. Photo. £700-£900



75 O "½ Anna" in manuscript on 2a. vermilion with original face value not obliterated, initialled "A.D." by Chief Accountant Andrew Dick, unusually cancelled by Aden "MA 9/91" squared circle and crossed by blue pencil line as noted on mail from the C.M.S. Mission at Freretown. S.G. 22, cat. £4,750. A rare stamp, with no unused examples recorded. Photo. £2,500-£3,000

#### 1891 Mombasa Provisionals continued



76 O "½ Anna" in manuscript on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with Lamu "AP 28/91" c.d.s's, the latest recorded date. Ex Isleham. Brandon certificate (1987) S.G. 23, cat. £1,100. Photo. £400-£500



77 O "½ Anna" in manuscript on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with Lamu "AP 7/91" c.d.s's, mainly fine. Ex Kiesel. R.P.S. certificate (2002) S.G. 23, cat. £1,100. Photo. £400-£500



78 O "½ Anna" in manuscript on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with Lamu "MR 3/91" c.d.s, the earliest recorded date, pressed corner crease otherwise fine. S.G. 23, cat. £1,100. Photo.

£400-£500



79 O "½ Annas" in manuscript error on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with "MR 30/91" c.d.s's. S.G. 23a, cat. £1,200. Photo. £700-£900



80 O "½ Anna" in manuscript on 3a. black on dull red, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with "JY 2/91" c.d.s. B.P.A. certificate (1966). S.G. 24, cat. £2,250. Photo. £1,200-£1,400



81 O "½ Anna" in manuscript on 3a. black on dull red, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, lightly cancelled, some unimportant toning on reverse of perfs. otherwise fine. B.P.A. certificate (1947). S.G. 24, cat. £2,250. Photo. £1,000-£1,200



**82** O *"1 Anna"* in manuscript on 3a. black on dull red, initialled *"V.H.M."* by bank manager Victor H. Mackenzie, used with "OC 15/94" c.d.s., apparently removed from a 'Macallister' cover. S.G. 25, cat. £1,400. Photo. £400-£500



83 ★ "1 Anna" in manuscript, 'heavy' surcharge, on 4a. brown, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, large part original gum, small mark at foot otherwise fine and rare. Ex Gibralter and Krieger. B.P.A. certificate (2000). Only five unused examples have been recorded in this hand. S.G. 26, cat. £10,000. Photo also on back cover. £5,000-£6,000



84 O "1 Anna" in manuscript on 4a. brown, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with "JY 2/91" c.d.s. B.P.A. certificate (1982) and letter from John Minns (2013) suggesting the surcharge to be in Brown's own hand rather than that of a clerk. S.G. 26, cat. £2,000+. Photo. £1,400-£1,600



85 O *"1 Anna"* in manuscript, 'heavy' surcharge, on 4a. brown, initialled *"A.B."* by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used with Lamu "AP 19/91" c.d.s., fine. B.P.A. certificate (1966). S.G. 26, cat. £2,000. Photo.

#### 1891 Mombasa Provisionals continued



86 M "1 Anna" in manuscript, 'light' surcharge, on 4a. brown, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, horizontal pair tied to piece by "MR 15/91" c.d...s's, this the earliest known date of usage, part lifted for inspection, fine. Only one other pair is recorded, any multiple of the Mombasa Provisionals being rare. Ex Pirie, Pennycuick, Dunstan and Minns. S.G. 26, cat. £4,000+. Photo also on back cover. £3,000-£4,000



87 ▲ "1 Anna" in manuscript, 'heavy' surcharge, on 4a. brown, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, used on piece with 2a. vermilion (trivial fault) to pay 3a. rate, tied by Lamu "AP 1/91" c.d.s's, the 2a. affixed inverted as noted on the 'Colombo Cover' (see lot 204). Ex Minns. Manuscript note on reverse notes "ex Charles Carrie Collection". R.P.S. certificate (1973). S.G. 6, 26. Photo. £1,200-£1,500

#### 1894 Surcharges

Both values handstamped "SPECIMEN" (Samuel type BEA1) in violet with gum, 5a. on 8a. lower right corner block of nine with large part original gum, 7½a. on 1r. mint block of four with lower pair unmounted, chiefly fine. (15) S.G. 27, s, 28, s. Photo.

#### 1895 (Jan.) New Values

The new 5a. and 7½a. values were introduced in Jan. 1895 to pay double and treble postage rates. "Ld." was added to the inscription to reflect the limited liability status of the I.B.E.A. Co. from 1893





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89 🖽 P Plate Proofs, 7½a. imperf. plate proof in carmine on medium wove surfaced paper, a block of four from the top of the single sheet of sixty. Believed to be the only known block. Ex Danson, Minns and Baillie. Photo. £1,000-£1,200

90  $\boxplus$  P - 7½a. imperf. plate proof in ultramarine on medium wove surfaced paper, a block of four from the foot of the single sheet of sixty. Believed to be the only known block. Ex Danson, Minns and Baillie. Photo.

£1,000-£1,200

#### 1895 New Values continued

91 **B** 5a. black on grey-blue and 7½a. black in complete mint sheets of sixty, the former incl. malformed "M" in "COMPANY" [R. 1/3], unmounted except six and fine, the latter with slight creasing mainly in lower selvedge and one with small stain but unmounted. S.G. 29, 30, cat. £150+. £50-£70

#### 1895 (Feb.) Remington Provisionals

92 🌣 "½ anna" on 3a. black on dull red, unused, fine. S.G. 31, cat. £600. Photo.

£80-£100

- 93 O "½ anna" on 3a. black on dull red, used with Lamu "MR 29/95" c.d.s., fine. Only two examples used in Lamu have been recorded, the other cancelled on the previous day. S.G. 31. Photo.
- 94 O "½ anna" on 3a. black on dull red, selection of five examples comprising pair on piece with part of address to Remington, corner marginal pair on fragment with earliest recorded "FE 19/95" c.d.s's and two singles, one with late "JU 6/95" c.d.s. S.G. 31, cat. £275+. £100-£120



95 O "1 anna" on 3a. black on dull red, used with "AP 10/95" c.d.s., fine. B.P.A. certificate (1982) S.G. 32, cat. £7,000. Only five used examples recorded. Photo also on back cover. £4,000-£5,000



96 \( "1 anna"\) on 3a. black on dull red, used on fragment with "FE 22/95" c.d.s., the earliest known date, fine.

B.P.A. certificate (1962) S.G. 32, cat. £7,000. Only five used examples recorded. Photo.

£4,000-£5,000









#### 1895 Protectorate Handstamps

- 97 \( \triangle \) Mint or unused selection with not all handstamps guaranteed, comprising set to 5r. with 4\%a. shade, a few short perfs. etc. otherwise mainly fine appearance. The 5r. with part original gum and kiss-print doubling (R.P.S. certificate, 1979). (16) Photo.
- 98 O Used selection to 5r. with handstamps not guaranteed, mainly good to fine. (15) Photo.

£200-£250

#### 1895 Protectorate Handstamps continued



99 \(\text{ \frac{1}{2}}\)a. dull brown, 1890 printing on thin paper with sheet watermark, cancelled Mombasa squared circles, one or two shortish perfs. otherwise fine and rare. Only the third recorded example. S.G. 33b, cat. £3,500. Photo. £1,200-£1,500





- 100 ★ 1a. blue-green irregular mint block of five from the top of the sheet, marginal at left, two se-tenant showing handstamps misplaced to left and doubled, chiefly fine. Ex Danson and Minns. One of only two recorded blocks. S.G. 34, a, cat. £2,100+. Photo. £1,000-£1,200
- 101 ★ 1a. blue-green and 2a. vermilion, both variety handstamp double, part original gum, the former with small fault, the latter signed P.L. Pemberton on reverse. Ex Danson. S.G. 34a, 35a, cat. £1,600. Photo. £400-£500





- 4a. yellow-brown and 8a. blue, both handstamped "INLAND/REVENUE" in violet with 'On India' ½a., tied by "MR 29/96" squared circles to piece and apparently postally used, the 12½a. paid representing possible quintuple rate franking. Photo. See also lot 185. £120-£150
- 103 O 4½a. brown-purple, fine used. R.P.S. certificate (1969) S.G. 39b, cat. £1,000. Photo. £300-£350
- **104** ★ 5a. black on grey-blue, variety handstamp double, mint, marginal at left, horizontal crease, fine appearance. R.P.S. certificate (1967) S.G. 40a, cat. £1,100. Photo. £250-£300
- 105 O 1r. carmine, variety handstamp double, used with clear "FE 21/96" squared circle, fine. B.P.A. certificate (1966) S.G. 43a, cat. £550. Photo. £200-£250
- 106 O 4r. ultramarine, variety handstamp double, used, fine. S.G. 46a, cat. £900. Photo. £250-£300









#### 1895 (Sept.) 21/2 Provisional

2½a. on 4½a. dull violet mint (hint of gum toning), also horizontal pair on small piece cancelled Mombasa "OC 26/95" squared circles and single with Lamu c.d.s. S.G. 48. Photo.

#### 1895 - 96 'On India' Overprints

108 ★ ½a. to 5r. set with 4a. and 8a. shades mint, mainly fine and fresh. (17) S.G. 49-63, 55b, 57c, cat. £850.

£250-£300

109 O 1a. to 5r. with 4a. and 8a. shades used, the 1a. and 1a.6p. being in horizontal pairs, the 2a. in a block of four, some to 3r. with Lamu c.d.s. cancellations, the others with Mombasa squared circle or c.d.s., mainly fine. (21)

£250-£300



- 11.0 ★ 1a. plum, variety "Brit1sh", mint, fine and fresh. Ex Wood, Minns and Krieger. R.P.S. certificate (1973) S.G. 50a, cat. £18,000. The error occurred in the outer left column on the four values of the first printing, as well as the early printing of the 2½a., and was corrected before the second printing. The mint example on the 1a. is unique in private hands, the only other recorded unused example being in the Royal Philatelic Collection. Photo also on back cover. £10,000-£12,000
- 111  $\star$   $\boxplus$  1a. plum mint block of four [R. 9/11-10/12], one variety "Br1tish" State 1 with clean impression all letters, the variety fine and unmounted. S.G. 50, b, cat. £671+. Photo on page 28. £300-£350
- 2a.6p. yellow-green mint vertical strip of four [R. 2/12-5/12] showing varieties of dropped and raised lettering in overprint, comprising dropped "t" and "a", slanting "t" and raised "a", raised "t" and inverted "s" with dropped "h" respectively, mainly fine. Ex Krieger. Illustrated in *British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery* by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 87. S.G. 53 vars. £250-£300
- Early use, Mombasa squared circles on two 2a.6p., one with earliest recorded date of "OC 27/95", the other (thinned on reverse) "NO 20/95", also ½a., 1a. 2a., and 2a.6p. tied by "NO 11/95" strike to piece from philatelic 'Chambers' or 'Powter' cover. (3 items)
- 114 ★ ⊞ 2a.6p. yellow-green mint block of four [R. 1/10-2/11], one variety "Afr1ca" State 2 with broken "a" in "East", broken "f" in "Africa" and "East" shifted left, some minor staining and gum adhesions. Ex Krieger. S.G. 53, f, cat. £1,057+. Photo on page 28. £300-£350

1895 - 96 'On India' Overprints continued



- 8a. magenta, variety "Br1tish" [R. 10/12], State 3 with thickened "B", "East" and "Africa" shifted left, mint, fine. S.G. 57ca, cat. £950. Photo. £300-£350
- 116 ★ ⊞ 12a. purple on red mint block of four [R. 6/7-7/8] the lower pair showing overprint varieties "V" for "A" in "Africa" state 2 and raised large "A" respectively, also ½a. unused showing "V" for "A" and low "B" [R. 1/1], mainly fine. £100-£120
- 117 ★ 12a. purple on red, 5th printing, variety "Afr1ca" [R. 1/11] State 3 with "f" replaced and broken "a" remaining, fresh mint. S.G. 58b, cat. £1,300. Photo. £400-£500
- 118 ★ 1r. green and aniline carmine, variety "Br1tish" [R. 10/12], State 3 with thickened "B", "East" and "Africa" shifted left, fine mint. S.G. 60b, cat. £2,250. Photo. £700-£800
- 119 ★ 1r. green and aniline carmine, variety "Afr1ca" [R. 1/11] State 3 with "f" replaced and broken "a" remaining, mint, fine. S.G. 60c, cat. £2,250. Photo. £700-£800



120 ★ ⊞ 1r. green and aniline carmine, variety overprint double, one sideways in a mint block of four, fine. R.P.S. certificate (2016) notes the "vertical overprint rubbed as usual". Ex Baillie. S.G. 60d, cat. £1,700+. One pane of 120 stamps had received an initial sideways overprint in error and after this had been partially removed a second overprint correctly applied. This is one of only two recorded unused blocks of four. Photo.

#### 1895 (Dec.) 21/2 Provisional





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- 2½ on 1½a. sepia, mint and used "JA 5/96", also 1898 U.P.U. 'specimen' printings, the three surcharge types with gum, odd minor gum stain otherwise mainly fine. (5) Cat. £655. Photo. £160-£180
- 122 O 2½ on 1½a. sepia, variety inverted "1" in fraction, cancelled Mombasa squared circle, fine. S.G. 64a, cat. £700. Photo. £200-£250

#### 1896 - 1901 'Small Queen' Issue



123 P Master die proof, stamp-sized in black on thick wove paper with external guidelines at corners, value tablet blank. Ex Minns and Baillie. One of two known master die proofs. Photo. £800-£1,000



Imperforate colour trials with handpainted duty tablets, complete set of fifteen values ½a. to 5r., all in issued colours except 2½a. and 1r. transposed to accord with U.P.U. requirements. Submitted by De La Rue to the Foreign Office on Nov. 14 1895 as proposed colour scheme. Ex Minns and Baillie. Three sets only were produced by De La Rue, this being the 'customer' set, another set retained by De La Rue for record on an appendix sheet and later sold (see 'Shivani' action, May 1997, lot 282) and a 'working' set formerly in the Hunt, Danson and Pennycuick collections and subsequently dispersed. Photo.
£6,000-£7,000

#### 1896- 1901 'Small Queen' Issue continued









125 P Imperf. colour trials on ungummed wove paper, value tablets black, each upper left corner marginal, In yellow-green, issued colour of ½a. Ex Minns and Baillie. Attractive, at least 30 variations exist, two recorded on gummed paper. Photo. £300-£350

**126** P - In red, issued colour of 1a. Ex Minns and Baillie. Photo.

£300-£350

127 P - In deep blue, issued colour of 2½a. Ex Minns and Baillie. Photo.

£300-£350

128 P - In pale bright blue, issued colour of 1r. Ex Minns and Baillie. Photo.

£300-£350

129 P In orange, issued colour of 2r. Ex Minns and Baillie. Photo.

£300-£350







130 S Specimen Stamps, ½a. to 5r. set overprinted "SPECIMEN" (Samuel type D12), 2r. slight oxidisation otherwise mainly fine without gum. (15) S.G. 65s-79s, cat. £350. Photo. £80-£100

131 ★ Issued Stamps, ½a. to 5r. set mint with additional listed shades of 1a. (2), 2½a. and 1r., odd fault on anna values otherwise mainly fine. (19) S.G. 65-79, cat. £675. £200-£220

132 ★ 1a. carmine-rose, variety watermark reversed, fresh mint, fine. S.G. 66x, cat. £375. Ex Krieger. Photo.

£140-£160

133 ★ 5r. sepia, variety thin "U" in "RUPEES" [R. 3/2], mint, fine. S.G. 79a, cat. £1,800. Photo.

£600-£700

#### 1897 'On Zanzibar' Overprints



134 ⊞ P Original Trial Overprint, 1a. indigo and red overprinted in red, block of four with gum, minor imperfections. Ex Vestey. The red overprint was rejected in favour of the black and it is thought that a single sheet of sixty was produced. This is one of only two recorded blocks of four. Photo.

£600-£800

- 135 Issued Stamps, ½a. to 7½a. set mint (the 7½a. regummed) and set used, chiefly fine. (12) S.G. 80-85, cat. £625. £150-£180
- 136 ★  $4\frac{1}{2}$ a. orange and red, variety no serif to left-hand "4" [R. 1/1], mint, fine. S.G. 83a, cat. £1,400. Photo. £400-£500
- 137 O  $4\frac{1}{2}$ a. orange and red, variety no serif to left-hand "4" [R. 1/1], used, fine. S.G. 83a, cat. £850. Photo. £250-£300

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#### 1897 (Jan.) Surcharges

- 138 ★  $2\frac{1}{2}$  on 1a. and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  on 3a., the three surcharge types of each, mint or unused, mainly good to fine. (6) S.G. 86-91, cat. £1,210. Photo. £250-£300
- 139 O 2½ on 1a. and 2½ on 3a., the three surcharge types of each, used (S.G. 88 on piece), chiefly fine. (6) S.G. 86 has R.P.S. certificate (1968). Cat. £475. Photo. £150-£180



- 140  $\star$  2½ type 12 on 1a., variety "British/East/Africa" overprint double, mint, slight faults. B.P.A. certificate (2013) notes "central thin spot". Ex Pennycuick, 'Shivani' and Vestey. S.G. 86b, cat. £7,500. One of only two recorded examples. Photo also on back cover. £2,500-£3,000
- 141 ★ 2½ type 12 on 3a. showing double offset of overprint on reverse, mint, fine. S.G. 89 var. Photo. £80-£100



#### 1898 U.P.U. Specimen Overprints (with stop after "Africa")

Produced in late 1897 to satisfy U.P.U. requirements. See also lot 121

- 142 S ½a. to 5a. and the three surcharge types of the 2½ on 1a., with gum (the type 12 2½ on 1a. showing almost complete offset of black overprint), chiefly fine. (8) Photo.
- 143 S 1a. indigo and red with red overprint, albino overprint and double offset of both overprints in black on reverse, large part original gum. Ex Baillie. Very scarce with only two recorded examples. Photo. £300-£400

#### 1898 U.P.U. Specimen Overprints continued



144 ★ 2½ on 3a. grey and red, rare horizontal strip of three with surcharge types se-tenant (Minns B-A-C), mint, type 12 a little heavily mounted but type 14 very lightly hinged and type 13 unmounted, fine. Ex Minns and Krieger. S.G. 89-91. Photo. £800-£1,000



145 ★ 2½ on 3a. grey and red showing type 14 variety "2" over "1" in fraction, mint, fine. Ex Hind, Danson, Pennycuick, Minns and Vestey. Rare, occurring only once per pane and it is probable that a maximum of thirteen examples were created, five now in private hands (one in the Royal Philatelic Collection). Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 109. Photo also on back cover. £1,800-£2,000

#### 1897 - 1903 'Large Queen' Issue



146 P Imperforate plate proofs, 3r. in issued deep violet on Crown CC watermarked paper, without gum, fine. Ex 'Shivani', Krieger and Vestey. One of just three recorded copies, one being in the Royal Philatelic Collection.

Photo.

£800-£1,000





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- 147 \(\pri \) Issued Stamps, 1r. grey-blue, 2r. and 4r. mint, 1r. dull blue, 1r. bright ultramarine, 3r., 5r. and 10r. unused (regummed), good to fine. (8) S.G. 92-b, 93-97, cat. £2,530. Photo. £350-£400
- 148 ★ 20r. pale green, mint, fine and fresh. Ex 'Vaduz' collection. S.G. 98, cat. £1,200. Photo.

£500-£600



149 ★ 1897-1903 'Large Queen' 50r. mauve, exceptionally fine example, mint with part selvedge at left. Ex 'Vaduz' collection. A. Diena certificate (1961) S.G. 99, cat. £2,500. Photo also on back cover. £1,200-£1,400

#### 1901 Essays





Photographic essay for proposed surface printed issue, denominated 1a., mounted on thick card (90 x 115mm.), endorsed "Dupl." with red and green colour examples annotated "Colour of Border in Design submitted/" "Head" and dated "JULY 30 1901". Objections to this and another design were received from the Commissioner for Uganda, Sir Harry Johnston, as the Ugandan postal system was to be fused with that of British East Africa. Ex De La Rue archives. Photo. See also lot 328. £1,000-£1,200

#### 1911 Essays





151 E Attractive key type "POSTAGE/REVENUE" photographic essay in violet denominated 10s. with country name and value tablets handpainted in deep green and Chinese white, ex De La Rue archives, mounted on thick card (90 x 115mm.), endorsed "C1", dated "June 16th 11". Ex 'Shivani' and Baillie. Photo. £1,500-£2,000

#### 1911 Essays continued





152 E Attractive key type "POSTAGE/POSTAGE" photographic essay in violet denominated 10s. with country name and value tablets handpainted in deep green and Chinese white, ex De La Rue archives, mounted on thick card (90 x 115mm.), endorsed "C2" and dated "June 16th 11", pencilled "Appd" at lower right. Ex 'Shivani' and Baillie. Photo.

#### **Collections**

- A balance selection on stockleaves with not all items guaranteed incl. 1890 ½a. on 1d. and 4a. on 5d. used, 1890-95 values to 5r. mint, 1895 new values used, 1895 Protectorate 1a., 2a., used 1895-96 'On India' values to 5r. mint, 1897 2½ on 1a. used (2), cancellation interest, fair to fine. (47)
- Forgeries and Fakes, a selection on stockleaves etc., mainly of 'Sun and Crown' definitives with Fournier imperf. 2r. (18, incl. two blocks of six) most handstamped "FAUX", perforated 2r. blocks of four and fifteen, 3r. and 4r. blocks of four, 5r. strip of three and block of fifteen, 'used' values to 5r. (5), also 1890 fake ½a. on 1d. overprints mint and used, manuscript "½ Anna" on 2a. (R.P.S. certificate, 2016, as forged), etc. fair to fine. (46 items)

£200-£250





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### John Minns FRPSL, Collections of East Africa, Uganda & Zanzibar Postal History



John Minns, who died in July this year, will be remembered with much affection by everyone who knew him for his great kindness and patience, his quiet modest and courteous manner and for his huge integrity. His philatelic knowledge of British East Africa and his forensic skills were second to none.

John was born in the Isle of Wight and lived there all his life. He worked in the finance department of BHC/Westlands Aerospace and in his younger days played cricket for East Cowes. Outside work he continued to follow his two great interests –yachting and philately. His interest in philately started in 1960 and in the 1970s he became a member of an unofficial study group with Stuart Rossiter, Kenneth Pennycuick and Roy Dunstan, the most prominent East African philatelists of their day. This led in due course to the formation of the East Africa Study Circle in 1978.

He was the EASC Honorary Treasurer and Auctioneer for 37 years and in recognition of his services to the Study Circle he was elected an honorary member in 2000 and Honorary Life President in 2010.

John was also a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society London, having been first elected to membership in 1967. Two years ago he told me proudly that he was one of the select few who had enjoyed membership for fifty years. In 1973 he displayed British East Africa to the Royal. His display included numerous items from the exceptional East African collection of Col. Danson and this in turn included many items from the study formed between the two world wars by AB Vialou. For many years John was a consultant to the BPA expertising committee.

In 1980 The Royal agreed to publish John's handbook on 'The Stamps, Postal Stationery and Cancellations of British East Africa", which has for the best part of forty years been the bible for all students of the subject and done more than anything else to promote the philately of what John regarded as a comparatively under-recognised area of Africa. An updated edition was published in 2005 through the good offices of George Krieger.

The outstanding quality and presentation of John's collections has, over the years, been evidenced by his many competition successes. He won his first national gold medal at Stampex in 1974 and his first international gold medal in Paris the following year. He was subsequently awarded five further international gold medals: Amsterdam 1977, Vienna 1981, and London 1980, 1990 and 2000.

John's enthusiasm for the stamps and postal history of British East Africa was unbounded and this enthusiasm, honed by a keen and incisive mind, kindled similar interest in many others. He remained until his death able and willing to give advice and help to those whose knowledge was less comprehensive than his own, and his research and meticulous record keeping will remain a hugely valuable resource to enthusiasts of the future. He was a fine man and an outstanding philatelist and will be greatly missed.

John Wilks

## The John Minns FRPSL Collections of East Africa, Uganda & Zanzibar Postal History

#### **British East Africa**

#### Use of Stamps of India in 1890

Sent during the period of temporary shortage of stamps after the purchase by dealers Whitfield King of the remaining stock of the first issue





Ex 155

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1890 (Aug. 19) India 4a.6p. yellow-green cancelled by almost complete strike of Mombasa c.d.s. (S.G. Z6, cat. £375) and almost certainly carried on the S.S. *Ethiopia* which departed on Aug. 20, also later acceptance of 2a.6p. at the Mombasa P.O. with fine "DE 23/93" c.d.s on single stamp and "JA 12/94" tying another to reverse of slightly foreshortened envelope to Cutch Mandvi with Sea Post Office C and Mandvi Feb. 5 arrival. The last illustrated in *British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery* by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 149. (3 items) Photo.

£300-£400

156 ☑ 1890 (Aug. 28) 'native' envelope to Karachi franked by India 3a. paying the single rate to India or Ceylon, tied by Mombasa c.d.s. with Bombay Sept. 9 transit and Karachi Sept. 13 arrival backstamps, a little stained and creased but rare. Ex Pemberton and 'Shivani'. Photo also on inside front cover. £3,000-£4,000





Harry Kerr Binns

1890 (Dec. 8) unique use of India ½a. with I.B.E.A. 1890-95 4a. paying 4½a. rate on C.M.S. envelope to England sent by Secretary of the Freretown Mission Rev. Harry Kerr Binns (1852-1935), tied by Mombasa c.d.s.'s and blue pencil line, carried on the S.S. Africa with Kendal Dec. 29 arrival on reverse, vertical cover fold well clear of adhesives. The only recorded mixed franking of India Imperial British East Africa Company adhesives. Ex 'Shivani'. Photo. £2,000-£2,500

#### 1890 (May) I.B.E.A. Co. Overprints on Great Britain

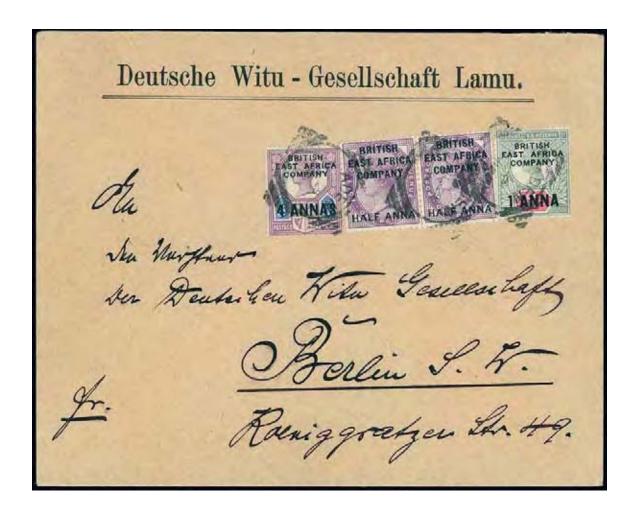




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- 158 O  $\frac{1}{2}$ a. on 1d. cancelled by fine central "LAMU/A/MY 30/90" c.d.s., light toning. The only example of usage in May from either post office. Photo.
- 4a. on 5d. cancelled by fine central "MOMBASA/C/JU 24/90" c.d.s., a few slightly nibbled perfs. at foot. *The earliest recorded date of usage from the Mombasa post office.* Photo. £180-£200



1890 Deutsche Witu - Gesellschaft Lamu envelope addressed to Berlin, franked at double rate by ½a. on 1d. pair, 1a. on 2d. and 4a. on 5d. tied by "ADEN/JL 29/90" squared circles and with Aug. 13 arrival on reverse. Believed to have been carried by dhow to Aden and from there to Naples on the S.S. *Madura*, arriving on Aug. 10. One of only three recorded commercial covers bearing the first issue and a crown jewel of East Africa philately, having graced previously the Davy, Croft, Rossiter and 'Shivani' collections. Photo also on inside front cover. £10,000-£12,000

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives



- 161 
   1891 (Jan. 6) fine early C.M.S. envelope addressed by J.A. Bailey, accountant at the Freretown mission to Wisconsin at 4½a. rate bearing ½a. and 4a. tied by Mombasa c.d.s's and blue pencil line, carried on the S.S. *Madura* with Milwaukee Feb. 7 arrival on reverse. Photo.
- 162 
   1891 (Jan. 7) envelope addressed by Gustav Denhardt to Germany at 6a. double rate bearing 2a. and 4a. tied by Lamu c.d.s's, carried on the S.S. *Madura* with Aden Jan. 14 transit, Jlmenau arrival and three line personal handstamp "GUSTAV DENHARDT/LAMU UND WANGE/(OSTAFRIKA)." in violet on reverse. Photo.

£600-£800



163 ■ 1891 (Jan. 7) envelope addressed to Clemens Denhardt in Zeitz, Germany, endorsed from trader Emil Tostat franked at 3a. rate to Europe bearing 1a. and 2a. tied to reverse by Lamu c.d.s's and carried on the S.S. *Madura* with Denhardt's receiving notations. Illustrated in *British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery* by Minns (first edition, 1981), p. 22. Photo. £400-£500

#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued



- 164 ☑ 1891 (Mar. 30) 3a. single franking on first known date of use, just tied by Mombasa c.d.s. to I.B.E.A. Co. envelope addressed by Capt. Frederick G. Dundas, R.N. to his son, midshipman Lawrence Dundas on "H.M.S. "Edinburgh"/Mediterranean Squadron" normally based at Malta and with Apr. 20 receiving c.d.s. below, further blue pencil redirection to "Smyrna" and showing Aden Apr. 6 transit on reverse. Capt. Dundas was attached to the staff of the I.B.E.A. Co. and in command of their stern wheel steamer Kenia. Photo. £600-£800
- 1891 (May 6) rare early cover from the interior addressed to Scotland by A. Thomson Brown whilst engaged in survey work, franked at 4½a. rate by ½a., 1a. (2) and 2a. with endorsement "Stamped/4 ½ as" alongside, tied by Mombasa c.d.s's over initial ink line ms. cancellation (this applied to prevent removal of adhesives by native runners during transmission to the coast) and showing sender's initials (twice), Aden May 18 transit and Perth June 2 arrival on reverse, minor cover faults. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 22. Photo. £1,500-£2,000



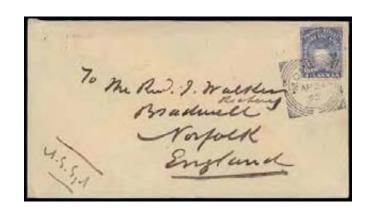
THE TANA RIVER EXPEDITION, 1891 cover sent from the upper reaches of the Tana on Aug. 2 and brought to the coast by native runner, addressed by Capt. Frederick G. Dundas, R.N. to his son, midshipman Lawrence Dundas on "H.M.S. "Edinburgh"/Mediterranean Squadron" normally based at Malta, franked by single 4½a. tied by "LAMU/A/SP 16/91" c.d.s. additionally struck as receiving mark on reverse. Ex Danson. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 25. Following retirement from the Royal Navy, Capt. Frederick George Dundas (1845-99) was, in 1891, appointed Commissioner and Principal Naval Officer to the Imperial British East Africa Company, and successfully explored and surveyed in the Company's Steamer "Kenia" the rivers Tana and Juba, successfully ascending the Tana for 200 miles and landing alone among the threatening Somalis, winning over the hostile chiefs by "a mixture of audacity and jolliness". In Aug. 1892 Dundas read his resulting paper "The Exploration of the Tana" to the Royal Geographical Society. Photo.



1892 (Jan. 4) rare 7½a. treble rate franking on I.B.E.A. Co. envelope addressed by Capt. Frederick G. Dundas, R.N. to his son, midshipman Lawrence Dundas on "H.M.S. "Edinburgh"/Mediterranean Squadron", franked by 2½a. strip of three tied by Lamu c.d.s's with Aden Jan. 12 transit and Malta Jan. 24 receiving c.d.s. on reverse. Capt. Dundas was attached to the staff of the I.B.E.A. Co. and in command of their stern wheel steamer "Kenia". Following his exploration of the River Tana in 1891, he commenced his exploration of the navigability of the Juba in July 1892, this cover sent during his period of preparation in Lamu and an early example of the 2½a. rate change for mail to Europe. Photo. £600-£800



Alfred Tucker



168 (Apr. 24) cover from the Bishop Alfred Tucker missionary correspondence with episcopal initials at lower left, addressed to Rev. John Walker in Bradwell, Norfolk with single 4½a. franking tied by Mombasa squared circle, with Great Yarmouth May 16 receiving c.d.s. on reverse. Ex Rossiter. Until 1893 C.M.S. mail was usually despatched by bulk posting by agents Boustead Ridley Co. to limit cost and danger to the special runners. Photo.

£350-£400



Thomas Remington



169 ▲ 1892 (May 2) Imperial British East Africa Co. printed cheque for the sum of 23r.7a. written and signed (overwritten) by postmaster Thomas E.C. Remington, bearing 1a. with dated ms. cancellation. Also 1897 (June 4) letter on letterhead of Postmaster General, Zanzibar signed by Remington. (2 items) Thomas Edward Crew Remington (1867-1903) departed from England for East Africa as an employee of the Imperial British East Africa Company in 1890 and after an initial posting to Taveta, he took charge of the postal department in Mombasa in 1891. In 1895, when the British Government took over the territory, he became postmaster-general and in 1895 oversaw the agreement to merge the postal administrations of East Africa and Uganda. Photo. £120-£150



#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued

- 170 
  1892 (May 24) underpaid registered cover to Egypt bearing ½a. (3) and 2½a. tied by Mombasa squared circles, carried on the S.S. *Mecca* with M & D Persica, naval contractors dated cachet, Aden Reg. May 30, Suez June 7 and Cairo arrival of May 9 all on reverse, the cover roughly opened with part flap missing. Photo. £300-£350
- 171 1892 (May 24) cover from the Bishop Alfred Tucker missionary correspondence with episcopal initials at lower left, addressed to his son in London at 4½a. rate with ½a. tied by Mombasa squared circle and replacement 4a. hinged in place of missing adhesive, red West Kensington June 14 arrival c.d.s. on reverse. Ex Dunstan. Until 1893 C.M.S. mail was usually despatched by bulk posting by agents Boustead Ridley & Co. to limit cost and danger to the special runners. Photo. £150-£200



- 172 1892 (Sept. 14) cover from the Bishop Alfred Tucker missionary correspondence with episcopal initials at lower left, addressed to his son in London, redirected to Surbiton, with single 4½a. franking tied by neat Mombasa squared circle and with Oct. 1 arrival backstamps. Ex Dunstan. The latest known use of the 4½a. single letter rate to the United Kingdom, sent a few days before the Bishop began his second journey into Uganda and carried on the S.S. "Malda" to Aden. Photo.
- 173 1893 (Jan. 10) the earliest recorded cover at reduced 2½a. rate to the United Kingdom addressed by Rev. Thomas Watson of the East Africa Scottish Mission to Rev. Stewart at Kilcreggan, Scotland and redirected to Edinburgh, initialled at lower left, single 2½a. franking tied by Mombasa squared circle, with Aden Jan. 20 and Feb. 2 arrival backstamps, some ink and climatic staining. Rev. James Stewart had led the party which founded a Scottish Industrial Mission at Kibwezi, around 180 miles from the coast, which opened on Oct. 16 1891 after which Stewart had returned to Scotland leaving Rev. Watson in charge. Photo.
- 174 1893 (June 23) Denhardt & Co. envelope addressed by manager Richard Tiede to Richter & Co. in Zanzibar endorsed "paid" with single 2½a. franking tied by fine Lamu squared circle, showing next day Mombasa transit and June 26 arrival datestamps with large three line "G. Denhardt & Co./Lamu/(East-Africa)" cachet in violet. Photo.
- 175 
   1893 (Sept. 5) cover from the Bishop Alfred Tucker missionary correspondence with episcopal initials at lower left, addressed to his son in Surbiton franked by marginal 2½a. just tied by Mombasa squared circle and with Sept. 24 arrival backstamp. Ex Dunstan. Written by the Bishop shortly after after his return to the coast from his second journey into Uganda and carried on the S.S. "Purulia" to Aden. Photo. £250-£300
- 176 1893 (Oct. 28) cover addressed to Rev. Stewart at Edinburgh and redirected to Kilcreggan, initialled "J.C." at lower left by the sender, John Cook but overstruck to be replaced by "E.A.S.M." initials of the Mission, single 2½a. franking tied by Mombasa squared circle, carried on the *Purulia* to Aden with Nov. 17 receiving backstamp, some slight staining. Ex 'Shivani'. Master builder John Cook had been based for many years at the Scottish Mission at Blantyre and advised on the building of the Kibwezi Mission from 1891-92. His endorsement was likely rejected as he was not recognised among the permanent staff of the mission. Photo.



#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued

- 1894 (May 26) Denhardt & Co. envelope addressed by Gustav Denhardt to brother Clemens in Jlmenau, redirected to Berlin with receiving notations, bearing 8a. and thus overfranked at the old registered double rate, tied by Lamu squared circle with octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/3/JUIN/94/L.V. No.4" datestamp of S.S. *Ava* below, and showing large three line "G. Denhardt & Co./Lamu/(East-Africa)" cachet in blue, transit and arrival marks on reverse. Photo.
- 178 № 1894 (May 31) large envelope registered by Gustav Denhardt to brother Clemens in Jlmenau, redirected to Berlin with receiving notations, bearing 2a. and 8a., a trifle soiled, tied by Lamu squared circle, with Zanzibar June 3, Aden June 11 transit and arrival backstamps. Photo. £250-£300



1894 (June 21) Karl Perrot & Co. of Tanga, G.E.A. merchant mail cover addressed to Germany, franked ½a., 1a. pair tied by fine Wasin squared circles without code letter, octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/5/JUIL/94/LV No. 1" of the S.S. *Irouaddy* below and backstamped Zanzibar June 30 transit, Wiesbaden July 24 arrival. *Very few covers or cards with Wasin squared circle cancellations sent during the B.E.A. period have been recorded.* Photo.

£600-£800

- 180 № 1894 (Sept. 29) commercial cover but slightly overfranked, bearing 3a. tied by Mombasa c.d.s., addressed unusually to Guernsey by Rev. Thomas Samuel England of C.M.S., carried on the S.S. *Purulia* to Aden and with Oct. 23 arrival backstamp. Photo. £180-£200
- 181 № 1894 (Nov. 10) envelope to U.S.A. franked at 2½a. rate by ½a. and 2a., 3a. tied by Mombasa c.d.s's, carried on the R.P.D. *General* from Zanzibar to Aden with Zanzibar Nov. 12, Aden Nov. 23, London Dec. 10 and New York Dec. 21 backstamps. Ex Rowell. Photo.
- 182 № 1895 (Jan. 1) cover from the Bishop Alfred Tucker missionary correspondence with episcopal initials at lower left and endorsed "By French Mail", addressed to his son in Surbiton, single 2½a. franking tied by Mombasa c.d.s. Zanzibar Jan. 2 transit and Jan. 21 arrival backstamps. Written by the Bishop whilst convalescing at Mombasa Hospital following a bout of fever. Photo. £250-£300
- 183 № 1895 (Feb. 7) Clemens Denhardt printed envelope to Germany, franked at 5a. double rate by ½a. pair and 4a. tied by fine Lamu squared circles with Denhardt's annotated receiving handstamp at left, sent by trader Emil Tostat with endorsement on flap and fancy paper seal, backstamped Mombasa, Zanzibar, Aden Feb. 21 and Jlmenau Feb. 7 arrival. Ex Rossiter and 'Shivani'. Photo. £250-£300
- 184 № 1895 (Mar. 16) envelope to England addressed to Rev. Herbert Knott, C.M.S. Association Secretary for South Wales, Herefordshire & Monmouthshire, franked ½a. and 2a. tied by Mombasa c.d.s's, carried on the S.S. *Purulia* to Aden and with Hereford Apr. 5 arrival backstamp. Photo.



#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued



- 185 
   1895 (Mar. 27) envelope to Italy bearing 2a. used with ½a. handstamped "INLAND/REVENUE" in purple, both tied by Mombasa c.d.s's and showing on the reverse Zanzibar Apr. 1 c.d.s., octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/2/AVRIL/95/LV No.2" datestamp of S.S. *Djemnah* and Milan Apr. 10 c.d.s. A very rare item, the only known cover bearing an Inland Revenue adhesive, as recorded in "British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery" by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 36. Photo. See also lot 102. £1,000-£1,200
- 186 🗷 1895 (May 25) scarce local rate envelope addressed to the wife of C.M.S. missionary Rev. W.E. Taylor franked 1a. tied by lightly struck by Melindi squared circle with May 27 receiving backstamp, slight cover faults. Photo.

£200-£250

- 187 

  1895 (June 19) scarce small O.H.M.S. envelope addressed to the Chief Clerk, Foreign Office, London with single 2½a. franking tied by Mombasa c.d.s. with Zanzibar June 23, Aden July 5 and red July 22 arrival backstamps. A late mail from the last days of the l.B.E.A. Co. administration before the establishment of the Protectorate on July 1, likely sent by a Government official sent to Mombasa to assist with the transition. Photo.

  £250-£300
- 188 1895, attempted late use of ½a. and 2a. on cover to Germany probably originating from Lamu, the adhesives uncancelled with unframed "T" and initialled ms. "These stamps are obsolete" in red below, backstamped Aden Oct. 8 and Neuwied Oct. 21 arrival. Carried on the S.S. "Kilwa" departing Zanzibar Sept. 28, calling at Lamu Oct. 2 en route to Aden. Photo.

# I.B.E.A. Co. Postal Stationery

- 189 ☑ 1892 (Mar. 15) 2a. registered envelope size F type RE1 used to Zanzibar, stamp box and 2½a. black and yellow-buff first printing (scarce on cover) affixed at left, both cancelled by Mombasa squared circle, backstamped on arrival. Ex Pennycuick. Photo. £180-£200
- 190 ☑ 1893 (Mar. 22) 1a. grey-black postcard used to London and locally redirected, with Mombasa and Apr. 10 arrival squared circles, carried on the S.S. Kola, written and signed by Thomas Hobley. Hobley had arrived at Mombasa in May 1890 and had served on the 1891 Tana River Survey, later becoming District Officer to the Uganda Protectorate from Aug. 1894 and Assistant Deputy Commissioner for the East Africa Protectorate in Apr. 1902. Early use of the card, issued just four days before. Photo. £120-£150
- 191 
   1893 (May 19) ½a. brown postcard uprated by 1890-95 ½a. for use to Germany with fine Lamu squared circle cancellations, Bombay May 29 and Sea Post Office B transit c.d.s's and greeting from Richard Tiede on reverse. Ex Rossiter. Photo. 
  £120-£150
- 192 
   1893 (May 19) 1a. grey-black postcard used to Germany with fine Lamu squared circle, addressed by Gustav Denhardt to his brother Clemens in Jlmenau, Germany with Sea Post Office B c.d.s. and Denhardt's receiving handstamp. Photo. 
  £100-£120



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#### 1890 - 95 I.B.E.A. Co. Definitives continued



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- 193 ☑ 1893 (Oct. 21) 2a. registered envelope size F type RE1a used internally from Lamu to Mombasa with squared circle cancellation, Oct. 24 arrival backstamp, believed carried on the *Juba*, personal handstamp of sender "F.E. PURDEE" additionally tying adhesive. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £150-£180
- 194 
   1893 (Nov. 26) 1a. grey-black postcard used to India with fine strike of Melindini squared circle, addressed by Telegraph Officer J. de Lima with Zanzibar Dec. 3 Sea Post Office A c.d.s's, backstamped Karachi Dec. 19 arrival, somewhat creased and stained but scarce. Photo.

  £100-£120
- 195 ☑ 1893 (Dec. 15) 2½a. green type E1 embossed envelope addressed by postmaster Thomas E.C. Remington to I.B.E.A.
  Co. staff member Robert Macallister whilst on leave in England, with fine Mombasa squared circle, Zanzibar Dec.
  16, Aden Dec. 29 and Plumstead Jan. 15 arrival backstamps. Photo.
  £120-£150
- 196 
   1894 (Jan. 16) 2a. registered envelope size F type RE1c used with added 3a. to London, cancelled by Mombasa squared circle with red London Feb. 12 receiving marks alongside, some staining, also similarly cancelled 1a. grey-black postcard to the same addressee with handwritten schedule of the items' postal journey via the Java and Shannon etc. (2 items) Photo.

  £120-£150
- 1894 (June 21) ½a. brown postcard locally addressed with request for doctor's appointment, cancelled by fine, rare Wasin squared circle without code, addressed by Telegraph Officer J. de Lima with Zanzibar Dec. 3 Sea Post Office A c.d.s's, backstamped Karachi Dec. 19 arrival, somewhat creased and stained but scarce. Very few covers or cards with Wasin squared circle cancellations sent during the B.E.A. period have been recorded. Photo. £350-£400
- 1894 (July 6) 2a. registered envelope size F type RE1a late usage at double rate addressed by postmaster Thomas E.C. Remington to London with added 2½a. second printing on yellow (2) cancelled by Mombasa c.d.s's with July 29 red arrival oval below. Ex Walkley. Photo. £150-£200
- 199 1894 (Nov. 25) 2½a. yellow-green type E1a embossed envelope addressed to Engelholm, Sweden by Miss Carrie Svensson, a member of the Swedish-American Alliance Mission at Kulesa on the River Tana, with fine Lamu squared circle, Aden Dec. 3 and Swedish Dec. 17 receiving backstamps, unusual. Photo. £120-£150
- 200 
  1895 (Jan. 16) 2a. registered envelope size J type RE2a with added new value 5a. sent at double rate to Ipswich, Mombasa c.d.s. cancellations, Feb. 10 London transit oval and next day arrival backstamp. Ex Rossiter. The earliest recorded date of usage of the 5a. Photo.
- 201 № 1895 (Mar. 16) 2½a. bright yellow-green type E1b embossed envelope with added 1890-95 2½a. addressed to Dr. A.R. (later Sir Albert) Cook in London, shortly before he began his noteable career as a C.M.S. medical missionary in Uganda, with Mombasa c.d.s. cancellations and carried on the S.S. *Purulia* with Apr. 4 arrival on reverse. Photo. £150-£180
- 202 
   1895 (May 16) 1a. grey-black postcard used to Moschi, G.E.A. with light strike of Wasin squared circle with code A, transit c.d.s's of Mombasa, Zanzibar and Tanga alongside, written and signed by Alfred Hollis of Karl Perrot & Co. Very few covers or cards with Wasin squared circle cancellations sent during the B.E.A. period have been recorded. Sir Alfred Hollis GCMG, CBE (1873-1961) later became a distinguished colonial administrator in both East Africa and Sierra Leone. Photo.
- 203 ☑ 1895 (July 7) 2½a. bright yellow-green type E1b embossed envelope addressed by postmaster Thomas E.C. Remington to the Colombian Consulate in Jersey, C.I., cancelled by fine Mombasa squared circle and carried on the *Purulia* with July 26 arrival backstamp. Ex Krieger. Illustrated in *British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery* by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 59. Photo. £120-£150

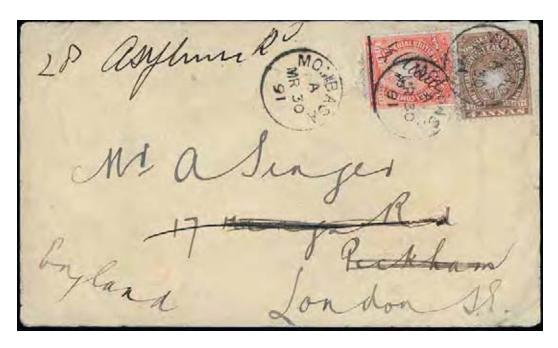
### 1891 Mombasa Provisionals



204 1891 (Mar. 2) envelope addressed to Colombo, Ceylon franked at 3a. rate by "1 Anna" handstamped on 4a. brown, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, and 2a. vermilion (affixed inverted), tied by Mombasa c.d.s's but missent to India with scarce framed "MISSENT IN/INDIAN MAIL" alongside, carried on the S.S. Africa to Aden and to Bombay on the Assam with Sea Post Office, Bombay Mar. 16 and Colombo Paid arrival of Mar. 23 on the reverse. Only two covers bearing S.G. 21 are recorded. Ex 'Shivani'. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 47. Photo also on front cover.



205 ■ 1891 (Mar. 3) C.M.S. envelope addressed to Westmorland, England by Rev. Harry Kerr Binns, Secretary to the C.M.S. Mission in Freretown, franked at 4½a. rate by "½ Anna" handstamped on 2a. vermilion initialled "A.D." by Chief Accountant Andrew Dick, and 4a. yellow-brown, tied by Lamu c.d.s's and blue pencil line, carried on the S.S. Africa with Aden Mar. 9 transit and Kendal Mar. 23 arrival on reverse. The only recorded example of S.G. 20 on cover and one of just two known covers from Lamu franked with a manuscript provisional. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 45. Ex 'Shivani'. Photo.



206 1891 (Mar. 30) envelope addressed by postmaster Thomas E.C. Remington to London and locally redirected franked at 4½a. rate by "½ Anna" in manuscript on 2a. vermilion, initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, and 4a. brown, tied by Mombasa c.d.s's with red Apr. 20 London arrival on the reverse.

Only two covers bearing S.G. 23 are recorded. Ex 'Shivani'. Photo.
£7,000-£9,000



207 1893 (Dec. 13) Guardian Fire & Life Assurance Co. envelope registered to London (small part address erased), franked at 4½a. registered rate by "1 Anna" in manuscript on 4a. brown initialled "A.B." by Company Cashier Archibald Brown, ½a. deep brown and 3a. black on red, tied by Mombasa squared circles, with red London Jan. 14 and 15 arrival markings, Zanzibar Dec. 16 and Aden Reg. Dec. 29 transit c.d.s's on reverse. The eighth and last of the rare commercial 'Provisional' covers and one of only two bearing S.G. 26. From the John Wilks Collection, ex Seys and Kiesel. Photo.

#### 1891 Mombasa Provisionals continued



208 ■ 1893 (Dec. 13) envelope registered to I.B.E.A. Co. staff member Robert Macallister whilst on leave in England, franked at 4½a. registered rate by two examples of "1 Anna" in manuscript on 3a. black on dull red, initialled "V.H.M." by bank manager Victor H. Mackenzie, and 2½a. black on bright yellow, tied by Mombasa squared circles, with London Jan. 14 registered oval in red alongside, one provisional additionally tied by next day Woolwich registered oval, and with Zanzibar Dec. 16 and Aden Reg. Dec. 29 transit c.d.s's on reverse. One of eight known 'Macallister' covers, five posted on this day, the others on Oct. 15 1894. Ex Danson. Photo.

### 1894 (Nov.) Surcharges



209 1894 (Nov.) Surcharges: 1894 (Dec. 22) "5/ANNAS" on 8a. blue (3) and "7½/ANNAS" on 1r. carmine pair and single tied by Mombasa c.d.s's to registered envelope size F type RE1b addressed to England by Miss Sibella Bazett, member of the C.M.S. staff at the Freretown Mission, a total franking of 37½a. paying treble rate postage and 30a. insurance fee for cover up to £25, carried on the S.S. Assyria to Aden and with two provisional surcharges additionally tied by red London registered oval transit of Jan. 12 and with Birkenhead next day arrival backstamp, some cover tone spotting, mainly on reverse. Photo. £1,000-£1,200

# 1895 (Feb.) Remington Provisionals



210 
1895 (Mar. 11) envelope locally addressed at 1a. rate by John A. Bailey, C.M.S. accountant and secretary at the Freretown Mission bearing "½ anna" in manuscript on 3a. black on dull red (2) initalled "T.E.C.R." by Postmaster Thomas E.C. Remington, tied by Mombasa c.d.s's with same day strike on reverse. Ex 'Shivani'. Photo.

£250-£300

# 1895 (July) Protectorate Handstamps



211 
1895 (July 25), 2½a. tied by Lamu c.d.s. to locally handstamped 2a. registered envelope size F from the Denhardt correspondence to Germany, addressed to Hamburg and redirected to Brunshaupten showing octagonal "LIGNE N/13/AOUT/95/PAQ. FR. No. 1" datestamp (S.S. Patna) and with "G.Denhardt& Co/Lamu/(East-Africa)" handstamp, Aden Reg. Aug. 12, Hamburg Aug. 26 and next day arrival c.d.s's on reverse. One of very few 'Provisional' covers emanating from Lamu and a scarce stationery item, only 125 issued. Photo.



### 1895 (July) Protectorate Handstamps continued



Louisa Pilgrim



212 1895 (July 27), ½a. and 2a. franking envelope from the Tucker missionary correspondence, addressed by Miss Louisa Pilgrim (with initials at left) to the wife of Bishop Tucker in Surbiton and redirected to Cromer, Norfolk, the adhesives tied by Mombasa squared circles with Kingston Aug. 20 arrival at left, backstamped Zanzibar July 28, and Cromer Aug. 21. The Uganda Mission had disembarked at Mombasa on July 9 and started on the 800 mile journey to Mengo on July 16, finally arriving on Oct. 4. Qualified nurse Eliza Louisa Pilgrim (1863-1947) was among this first pioneering group of C.M.S. missionaries and finally retired in 1926 having spent the last years of her work in Babumale. This cover probably sent from Rabai where the party stopped from Oct. 17-20. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 64. Photo.



Edith Furley



213 
1895 (Aug. 5), ½a. and 2a. used on locally handstamped 2½a. envelope addressed to her sister in Hull at double rate by Miss Edith Furley, the adhesives tied by Mombasa squared circles and carried on the S.S. Patna to Aden with Hull Aug. 26 arrival backstamp. Ex Pennycuick. Edith Markham Furley (1854-1942) a former nurse, was one of the pioneering party and subsequently placed in charge of baptism and confirmation classes at Mengo as well as teacher training. Illustrated in British East Africa: The Stamps and Postal Stationery by Minns (ed. Krieger, 2006), p. 65. Photo.









214 
1895 (Aug. 5), 2½a. and 2a. pair franking envelope from the Tucker missionary correspondence, addressed by Miss Mary Thomsett to the wife of Bishop Tucker in Surbiton and redirected to Carnforth, Lancs., the adhesives tied by Mombasa squared circles Kingston Aug. 20 arrival at left and next day Carnforth arrival backstamp. Ex Dunstan. Mary Susannah Thomsett (1860-1930) one of the pioneering party of C.M.S. women missionaries and also a qualified nurse, served in the Uganda Mission, like the other ladies, for 25 years and died unexpectedly in England whilst preparing for another tour. Photo.



- 215 (Aug. 12), 2½a., left marginal example tied by Lamu squared circle to envelope to Finland addressed by Rev. Emil Hederstrom with Zanzibar Aug. 20, Aden Sept. 10 and Åbo (Turku) Sept. 25 arrival on reverse, the cover opened for display. Rev. Emil Hederstrom was a Finnish missionary at the Swedish-American Alliance Mission at Kulesa on the River Tana, which had reopened in Sept. 1893. Photo.
- 216 № 1895 (Oct. 10) 2½a. locally handstamped stationery envelope cancelled by fine Lamu squared circle and addressed to "Surgeon W.E. Horne R.A./HMS Swallow/Zanzibar" with Mombasa next day transit c.d.s. on reverse. Ex Dunstan. Photo.
- 217 
   1895 (Nov. 23), 4½a. franking registered cover to India, tied by Mombasa squared circle with "RU" in oval and ms. markings, carried on the S.S. *Sutlej* to Bombay with Sea Post Office C transit and Karachi Reg arrival of Dec. 16. Photo.

  £400-£500

### 1895 (July) Protectorate Handstamps continued



218 
■ 1896 (Jan. 24), 3a. and 4a. used on reverse of registered cover to Kilwa, G.E.A. at 7a. double weight registered rate, tied by Mombasa squared circles and carried on the S.S. *Madura* with Zanzibar Reg Jan. 25 and Dar-es-Salaam Jan. 29 transit c.d.s's. Ex Seys. Photo.

£500-£600



219 (Nov. 23), ½a. franking wrapper at book post rate, addressed by Miss Sibella Bazett to England endorsed "Book Post/MS only", the adhesive tied by Mombasa squared circle and Apr. 19 Reading "635" receiving duplex, redirected to Llandudno with Apr. 21 arrival backstamp. Carried on the S.S. Mecca to Aden. Ex Pennycuick. Sibella Bazett was a member of the C.M.S. Mission at Freretown. Photo.

# 1895 (Sept.) "21/2" Provisional



Ex 220

220 (2½") on 4½a. dull violet tied by 1895 (Oct. 29) Mombasa squared circle to envelope addressed by Rev. Johannes Hofmann of the Leipzig Evangelical Mission "via Brindisi" to Bavaria with octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/2/NOV/95. L.V. No. 4" of S.S. Yangtse alongside, with Zanzibar Nov. 2 and Munich Nov. 21 backstamps, slight trimming at top, also another example tied to small piece by Lamu Nov. 30 1895 c.d.s. The cover ex Rossiter. One of only six commercial covers known, the others all to England. Photo.

£800-£1,000

### 1895 - 96 'On India' Overprints

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Ex 221

221 ★ ■ 6a. pale brown, mint block of ten (5 x 2) from the lower left corner of the upper pane with margins and part inscription, the lower row unmounted, with gum toning mainly in selvedge, a rare multiple illustrating a major portion of the setting, also two left marginal mint singles (one with Zanzibar overprint, the other with B.E.A.) showing overprint additionally in selvedge. S.G. 56, Zanzibar 13.



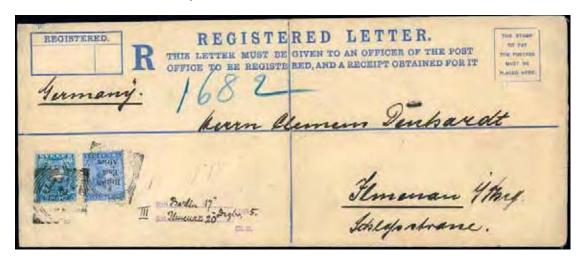
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1895 (Oct. 28) 2½a. pair tied by fine Lamu squared circle to locally handstamped provisional 2a. registered envelope size F addressed to Hamburg from the Denhardt correspondence with "G.Denhardt& Co/Lamu/(East-Africa)" handstamp in violet, Aden Reg. Nov. 4 transit and Nov. 11 arrival c.d.s's on reverse. Ex Rowell. Very rare 'proving' item demonstrating advance use of the 'On India' overprints during the period of stamp shortage in British East Africa and also a scarce stationery item, only 125 issued. Photo. £800-£1,000



223 
1895 (Nov. 20) 2a. used on 2½a. locally handstamped provisional stationery envelope for registration to Egypt "via Aden", with Mombasa squared circle cancellations, "R" in oval, carried on the S.S. Pemba with Aden Reg Dec. 2 transit and Alexandria Dec. 11 arrival c.d.s. on the reverse. Rare commercial registered use and combination franking 'proving' advance use of the 'On India' overprints during the period of stamp shortage in British East Africa, the main transfer of the stamps overprinted at Zanzibar not taking place until Nov. 23. Photo.



### 1895 - 96 'On India' Overprints continued



- 224 № 1895 (Nov. 20) 2a. used with Protectorate handstamp 8a. to pay 10a. quadruple letter rate on locally handstamped provisional registered envelope size J (only 200 issued), addressed to Germany from the Denhardt correspondence with Lamu squared circle cancellations and annotated receiving cachet alongside, and showing "G.Denhardt& Co/Lamu/(East-Africa)" handstamp in violet, Aden Reg. Dec. 2 transit and Jlmenau Dec. 16 arrival c.d.s's on reverse, vertical fold. Rare, one of just two such 'mixed franking' covers 'proving' advance use of the 'On India' overprints during the period of stamp shortage in British East Africa. Ex Rossiter and 'Shivani'. Photo.
- 225 
   1895 (Dec. 31) registered cover to England franked by 1a.6p. and 3a. (introduced on Dec. 18) tied by Mombasa squared circles with hooded London Feb. 7 transit in red below, backstamped Aden Reg Jan. 25 and Ipswich Feb. 7 arrival. Photo.

  £350-£400
- 226 
   1896 (Jan. 1) G. Denhardt & Co. envelope at double rate to Germany "via Zanzibar" franked by 2a.6p. pair neatly tied by Mombasa squared circle with Denhardt annotated receiving cachet below, probably sent from Zanzibar to Aden by the B.I.S.N. Co. steamer then transferred to the R.P.D. Bundesrath (D.O.A.G.) and from Naples to Berlin by train, backstamped Zanzibar Jan. 3, Zanzibar Jan. 25 and Jlmenau arrival of Feb. 7. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £300-£350
- 227 
   1896 (Mar. 28) "On India" "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. stationery card type PC5 commercially used to London by Capt. F.S. Dugmore, local news contributor, complaining of non-payment, horizontal crease but unusual. Photo.

£120-£150

- 228 № 1896 (Mar. 29) early use of "On India" 2a. registered envelope size F type RE5 used to Hamburg with added "On India" 2a., showing Lamu squared circle cancellations, large "G.Denhardt&Co/Lamu/(East-Africa)" in violet, Aden Reg. Apr. 6 transit and Hamburg Apr. 19 arrival c.d.s's. Photo.
- 229 
   1896 (Aug. 8) 'up-country' cover addressed to botanist Nicholas E. Brown in England, initialled at lower left, with unusual combination franking of 'On India' 1a.6p. and 'small Queen' 1a. tied by Mombasa squared circle with Zanzibar Aug. 9 transit and Kew Gardens Aug. 31 arrival on reverse. Photo.

  £300-£400
- 230 № 1896 (Oct. 20) "On India" 2a. registered envelope size F type RE5 used to Hamburg with added 'small Queen' 5a., showing Lamu squared circle cancellations, large "G.Denhardt&Co/Lamu/(East-Africa)" in violet, Mombasa Nov. 2, Aden Reg. Nov. 15 and Hamburg Dec. 1 arrival c.d.s's. Ex Dunstan. Photo.
- 231 
   1896 (Nov. 29) "On India" "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. stationery card, blue overprint type PC5a cancelled by Melindi squared circle with greetings message from Jilore mission station, written and signed by C.M.S. lay missionary Lawrence H. Roberts. Ex Dunstan. Photo.
- 232 🗷 1897 (Jan. 16) ½a. tied by Mombasa squared circle to Taveta Chronicle Book Post wrapper to Miss Taylor at the Great Yarmouth Mission House with Taveta Jan. 16 temporary single circle c.d.s. at left. Ex Rossiter. The Taveta Chronicle was the first newspaper to be printed on the East African mainland. Photo. £350-£400
- 233 ☑ 1898 (Jan. 13) envelope addressed to C.M.S. headquarters in London with unusual combination franking of 'On India' 1a. vertical pair and 'small Queen' ½a. tied by Melindini squared circles with Zanzibar Jan. 15 transit on reverse. Photo.

  £250-£300

# 1897 (Jan.) Surcharges on Zanzibar



234 ☑ "2½" type 14 on 3a. grey and red used on reverse of 1897 (Jan. 9) cover to Bombay, tied by Mombasa squared circle, transit c.d.s's and framed "INCONNU/NOT KNOWN" having failed delivery and redirected to Matheran before return to the Bombay Dead Letter Office, slight soiling but very rare. Only one other commercial cover bearing the provisional "2½a." on 3a. is known. Photo.

£600-£800

### **British East Africa Forgeries**

The John Minns FRPSL collection of forgeries and fakes of British East Africa in one album, written-up and with illustrations and genuine stamps, incorporating the forgery reference collection of the late Stuart Rossiter FRPSL and based on a display given to the East Africa Study Circle on Oct. 13 1984, incl. faked overprint forgeries of the I.B.E.A. Co 1890 overprints with genuine 1a. on 2d. (2), 4a. on 5d., range of Fournier forgeries with pieces from record book reproductions, proofs, imperf. and perf. forgeries, Sperati forgeries incl. 1a. "ANL", 4a. grey with handstamp, genuine 8a. and 1r. grey, fake cancellations incl. Madame Joseph and 'Reykjavik' types, 'Hayman' imperfs. mint and used, 1891 manuscript provisionals with genuine ½a. on 3a. "AB" fiscally used 8d, 1895 provisional handstamps with Fournier fakes, 1895-96 'on India' with "Br1tish" in 2a. mint block of eighteen and 8a. mint block of nine (toned), 'on Zanzibar' overprints and '2½" surcharges incl. genuine (both values), fair to fine.



### **British East Africa Cancellations**

Cancellations on adhesives, collection from 1890 to around 1906 on leaves with early and earliest recorded dates incl. Lamu without code c.d.s. "DE 29/90" on ½a. on 1d., "OC 27/90" on ½a. block of four, code A "JU 26/90" on 4a. on 5d., "JA 26/97" on "2½" type 13 on 1a., 1896-1901 values to 7½a., Mombasa "OC 14/90" on 1890-95 1a., squared circles on 1890-95 values to 1r. carmine with Lamu "NO 8/91" on 4a. yellow-brown, 1895-96 values to 8a., scarce Wasin without code "OC 7/92" and code A "MY 6/95" on 1890-95 1a., "SP 2/95" on 1895 ½a., Ndii code B "21 JY/00" on 1896-1901 7½a., hatched circles with Kismayu "4 JL 1901" and single circles fleurons with Kilindini "28 MY/1902" on 1897-1903 1r., Wasin "24 OC 1906" hatched circles tying 1904-07 ½a., 1a. (1) and two 2a. vertical bisects to small piece, coloured cancellations, T.P.O. c.d.s's, Zanzibar cancellations incl. "JL.31/93" on I.B.E.A. 1890-95 2a. strip of three, B.E.A./Uganda mixed frankings, Uganda P.O.'s on values to 1r. (2), etc., fair to fine. (approx. 100 items)

### British East Africa Post Offices 1896 to 1904



Escarpment: 1901 (Jan. 8) envelope to India franked B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. tied by fine strikes of "ESCARPMENT" c.d.s., apparently written by an Indian railway worker, with Mombasa Jan. 11, Sea Post Office A and Dina (Jhelum) Feb. 7 arrival c.d.s's on reverse, very slightly foreshortened at right as is usual. Very scarce from this short-lived office. Ex Pennycuick. Photo. £250-£300



238 ★ Kikuyu: 1898 (Sept. 13) B.E.A. Co. 2a. registered envelope size F with added 'small Queen' 2½a. showing "KIKURGU" squared circle on both sides (misspelt error), addressed to Kent by Charles Wise, Assistant Collector at Kikuyu with Mombasa Sept. 24 in blue and London Oct. 17 in red transit marks, opened for display. Photo. £150-£180

239 ➤ - 1899 (May 24) envelope to the Isle of Wight franked 'small Queen' 1a. tied by "KIKURGU" squared circle with Mombasa June 2 transit and Ventnor June 25 arrival on reverse. Ex Minto. Photo. £150-£180

- 1902 (Sept. 13) B.E.A. Co. 2a. registered envelope size F to London with added 'small Queen' 1a. cancelled on both sides by replacement "KIKUYU" hatched circle (very rare on cover), with Nairobi, Mombasa and Dec. 13 arrival datestamps. Also Uganda 1896 Type-set 1a. (thin "1", slight faults) cancelled by fine strike of the hatched circle with earliest recorded date "22 JA 1900". Photo. £400-£500

241 ☑ Kilindini: 1898 (Oct.) apparent double weight envelope to India bearing 'small Queen' 2½a. tied by indistinct squared circle with handstruck "T", both in blue-black, circular "OVERLAND POSTAGE/DUE/A/5" alongside, backstamped Mombasa Oct. 17, Zanzibar Oct. 19, Sea Post Office B (S.S. Clyde), Kharian and Malka (Gujarat) Nov. 15 arrival c.d.s's, flap missing, a little creased and stained but scarce. Ex Dunstan. Photo.
£150-£180



251 Clemens Denhardt

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- **242** Kilindini: 1898 (Nov. 9) B.E.A. 1a. reply card outward half to India cancelled by fine squared circle with transit and Nainital (Uttarakhand) Nov. 20 arrival c.d.s's, also postcard of Kilindini Harbour used 1902 from Nairobi to London (one adhesive replaced). (2 items)
- 1899 (Sept. 20) envelope to Berlin endorsed "per S/S/"General" underpaid by 'small Queen' 1a. tied by squared circle with handstruck "T" and blue pencil "20" (pfennings) to pay at left, backstamped Mombasa Sept. 21, Zanzibar Sept. 25 and Oct. 17 arrival c.d.s's. Photo. £180-£200
- 1900 (Jan. 26) cover to Leipzig franked 'small Queen' 2½a. pair cancelled single circle fleuron c.d.s's, (May 19) to Leipzig franked ½a., 1a. (2) and (Sept. 7) to Gujarat franked 1a., both with hatched circle cancellations, the former from the 'Von Schwarz' correspondence originating from the East African Mission at Taveta. (3 covers)

  £120-£150
- 1901 (Mar. 8) registered cover to India, franked 'small Queen' 5a. tied by fine hatched circle with registration handstamp and scarce violet "AR" (avis de réception) in circle, backstamped Mombasa Mar. 9, Sea Post Office C (S.S. *Persia*) and Lalamusa (Gujarat) Apr. 2 arrival c.d.s's on reverse. Ex Flood. Photo. £300-£350
- 246 ★ Kismayu (Jubaland): 1901 (Jan. 28) official envelope registered to England franked by 'small Queen' 1a. (3) tied by fine strikes of hatched circle with registration handstamp and red Mar. 4 London transit, backstamped Mombasa Feb. 4 and Stamford Mar. 4 arrival, scarce. Ex Rossiter. Photo.
- 1901 (Sept. 3) cover registered to Italy with 4½a. single franking tied by very fine hatched circle with registration handstamp and octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/27/SEPT/01/LV No. 2" of the S.S. *Yangtse*, backstamped Mombasa Sept. 19, Zanzibar Sept. 25, Brindisi Oct. 11 and next day Naples arrival. Ex Chantry. Photo

£120-£150

- **249** Kiu: 1901 (Feb. 9) envelope from Indian railway worker addressed to India franked 'small Queen' 1a. tie by fine squared circle, code B, backstamped Mombasa Feb. 11 and Dina (Jhelum) May 6 arrival, a little creased and soiled. Photo.
- **251 Lamu:** 1896 incoming Denhardt printed envelope with "LAMU/A/AU 11/96" receiving c.d.s., registered from Jlmenau, Germany franked Reichpost 10pf., 20pf. and 50pf. with "via Neapel and Zanzibar" label, Clemens Denhardt personal fancy paper seal and cachets. Bothe handstamp on reverse. Photo. £120-£150
- 1897 (Sept. 12) B.E.A. 'small Queen' 2a. registered envelope to Bombay with added 2½a. showing inverted "S" in "ANNAS" (S.G. 68b), fine single circle c.d.s. cancellations and Sea Post Office C Sept. 20 c.d.s. of S.S. *Peninsula*. Photo. £120-£150
- Interesting selection of 'small Queen' frankings, six covers variously addressed from 1898 to 1904, the first with single circle c.d.s. cancellations, the others with hatched circles, comprising registered envelope size J (in the hand of Richard Tiede) sent 1898 to Hamburg with added 1a., 4½a. (2) and 1902 to Berlin with adhesive removed, 1900 registered to Bombay franked 1a. (3), 1901 and 1904 registered to Zeitz, Germany, the first double rate with 1a. (3), 2a. (2), the second with ½a., 1a. (4) and 1903 chromo-litho greetings postcard to Bulawayo franked 1a.

£200-£250

- 1898, B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. stationery card to Norway, endorsed from P.O. Lamu May 22 and carried on the S.S. *Goa* but uncancelled until arrival in Aden with May 28 squared circle, large framed "PAQUEBOT" (State 1, unbroken frame) alongside, Kristiania June 15 arrival at left, very fine. Photo on page 64. £120-£150



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- Machakos: 1897 (Feb. 3) "On India" "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. stationery card, blue overprint, with added 'small Queen' ½a. used to London (ex Rossiter), cancelled by squared circle code B, addressed from Lake Naivasha by C.M.S. missionary Miss Kate Timpson, vertical fold, B.E.A. 1a. stationery card (ex Dunstan) to Edinburgh cancelled code A squared circle, written by Col. Robert Stordy, Uganda Transport Service veterinary officer, 1903 (Aug. 10) cover to Barnsley franked 1a. cancelled hatched circle. (3 items) £200-£250
- 256 → 1901 (Nov. 25) envelope to Leipzig from the 'Von Schwarz' correspondence originating from the East African Mission at Taveta, registered to Leipzig at 7a. rate franked 'small Queen' 1a., 3a. (2), Mombasa transit and arrival backstamps. Photo.
- 1903 (Oct.) envelope endorsed sent by missionary Günther Sauberlich at Mulango addressed to Germany "via Neapel" franked 'small Queen' 2a. and 2½a. tied by hatched circle unusually with day date amended in ms. from "19" to "21" with further correctly dated strike and registration handstamp at left, transit and Erlangen Nov. 15 arrival backstamps. Evangelical Lutheran missionary Günther Albin Sauberlich (1846-1964) had first arrived in East Africa, in 1888, working in missions at Jumba and amongst the Wakamba at Ikutha. After a year's vacation in Germany Sauberlich returned with his new wife in 1897 and in June 1899 undertook the trip into the interior to establish a station in Mulango where they stayed, with one year's break for vacation, until 1912 but were unable to return after a second break, due to the outbreak of war. Photo.
- 1901 (Feb. 20) envelope registered to Leipzig from the 'Von Schwarz' correspondence originating from the East African Mission at Taveta, franked at 7a. double rate by 'small Queen' 2a., 5a. with very fine hatched circle cancellations and registration handstamp, carried on the S.S. *Canara*, backstamped Mombasa Feb. 22, Aden Reg. Mar. 5, cover slightly trimmed at top. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £200-£250
- Mombasa: 1896 (Oct. 10) B.E.A. 1a. stationery card cancelled squared circle addressed to Great Yarmouth written and signed by Miss Kate Pickthall, member of the C.M.S. staff at Freretown Mission shortly after her arrival, 1897 (Dec. 20) ⅓a. card with added ⅙a. to London, c.d.s. cancellation, written and signed by Rev. Douglas Hooper at Jilore Mission on Nov. 20, also 1905 (Nov. 12) 1a. stationery card (faults) to Aden signed by C.M.S. accountant John Bailey and picture postcard of Freretown Church used to Paris. (4 items) £120-£150
- Blue cancellations, 1898 (Sept. 7) envelope from the 'Von Schwarz' correspondence originating from the East African Mission at Taveta, franked at 5a. double rate by 'small Queen' ½a. pair and 1a. block of four, (Oct. 7) cover addressed by C.M.S. missionary Rev. Thomas England to Guernsey franked ½a., 2a., both covers with single circle c.d.s. cancellations in blue, also (Sept. 30) used as receiving mark on incoming stationery card from India. (3 items) Photo. £120-£150
- 1899 to 1904, interesting selection of fifteen covers or cards variously addressed with 'small Queen' frankings and single (incl. Foreign Registration Dept.), squared or hatched circle cancellations, incl. book post, "East Africa & Uganda Mail" (2), registered items with 1899 O.H.M.S. envelope to Birmingham at 6a. new quadruple rate, 1900 registered envelope to U.S.A. franked 5a., 7½a., 1902 to London franked 5a., etc. with senders incl. missionary Rev. J. Hofmann, postmaster Henry Holt, jailer Walter Hutt, judge R.B.P. Cator, etc. £300-£350
- Three official covers comprising 1899 (Mar. 15) O.H.M.S. envelope ("East Africa Protectorate" deleted) registered to Leipzig, addressed by postmaster Henry Holt and franked 'small Queen' ½a., 4a. with Deutsche Seepost transit backstamp, 1903 (Jan. 20) "On Postal Service" Postmaster General's envelope (ex Rossiter) sent stampless to Yorkshire, 1904 (May 27) large O.H.M.S. envelope (trimmed at left) registered to Yorkshire bearing 1r. (corner fault) with P.O. crown red wax seal on reverse. (3 items) £200-£250
- 1903 (Nov. 2) B.E.A. 2a. registered envelope size F locally addressed with added 'small Queen' 1a. and K.E.VII 2a. tied by Foreign Registration Dept. c.d.s's and showing lightly struck violet "AR" (avis de réception) in double circle, scarce mixed franking and mark. Photo. £120-£150
- Muhoroni: 1903 (May 30) B.E.A. 2a. registered envelope size F addressed by railway worker at the Noor Din Bridge to Mombasa with added 'small Queen' 3a. tied by c.d.s with heavy black "AR" (avis de réception) in circle, part flap torn away but scarce marking and usage. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £200-£250



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- Nairobi: 1900 to 1903, five commercial covers or cards variously addressed with 'small Queen' frankings, the last with single circle fleuron, others hatched circle cancellations, also 1902 incoming obsolete provisional 5p. on 10pf. stationery card from Dar-es-Salaam, disallowed but with added 10p. cancelled. (6 items) £100-£120
- 1900 (June 12) B.E.A. 2a. registered envelope size F addressed to Mombasa with added 'small Queen' 3a. tied by hatched circle with registration handstamp and "AR" (avis de réception) in double circle both in violet, fine strikes and scarce. Photo.

  £120-£150
- 1906 (May 21) East Africa & Uganda. 2a. registered envelope size F to Scotland with added K.E.VII ⅓a. and 2⅓a. tied by single circle fleurons with violet "AR" (avis de réception) in double circle and backstamped May 24 late use Mombasa Foreign Registration Dept. c.d.s. Photo. £100-£120
- Nakuru: 1902 (June 16) p.p.c. of the Wakikuyu unusually addressed to Siam "via Rehang & Moulmein/Burma" overland route, franked 1a. with two early use strikes of single circle fleuron, Mombasa, Bombay and Lampang transit marks. Photo. £120-£150
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  → 1903 (Nov. 14) B.E.A. 1a. stationery card used to Scotland with two fine strikes of single circle fleuron and Mombasa transit c.d.s. Photo.

  £100-£120



- 271 Ndii: 1898 (May 9) double rate envelope to Celle, Germany and redirected to Gotha, franked 'small Queen' ½a. strip of three and pair (slight staining due to added gum) with Zanzibar May 13 transit and June 4 arrival backstamps, scarce office. Photo.
- Rabai: 1900 (July 25) envelope (ex Dunstan) from Assistant Collector George Collen to Brighton franked 'small Queen' ½a. (2), 1901 (Feb. 10) and (Mar. 22) two covers registered to Leipzig from Rev. Brutzer at Simba Mission the first with colourful ½a., 1a. (2), 2a. and 2½a. franking to pay 7a. double rate, the second franked ½a. (4), 2½a., all with hatched circle cancellations. (3 items) Photo. £200-£250
- Takaungu: "OC 3/95" (earliest recorded date) squared circle on local provisional ½a., also code A "MY 3/99" squared circle on B.E.A. ½a. reply card locally addressed by Assistant Collector G.H.L. Murray to the Superintendent of Customs (ex Pennycuick). (2 items) The card appears to be the outward half companion of the reply half offered as lot 155 in the 'Rossiter' auction (Sothebys June 1983) on which the Superintendent replies that "the people of Giriama are starving since last year" and requesting a grant of 1,000r. for support. Photo.

£120-£150



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#### British East Africa Post Offices 1896 to 1904 continued

- Taveta: 1898 (June 13) 'small Queen' ½a. tied by one of two violet single circle c.d.s's to Taveta Chronicle Book Post wrapper addressed to judge R.B.P. Cator in Mombasa and forwarded to Kent with Mombasa June 24 c.d.s. on reverse, a few faint stains. Ex 'Shivani'. The Taveta Chronicle was the first newspaper to be printed on the East African mainland. Photo. £100-£120
- 1899 (Feb. 5), 1901 (Nov. 10), two envelopes from the 'Von Schwarz' correspondence originating from the East African Mission at Taveta, the first registered at 7a. double rate franked by 'small Queen' 2a. and 5a. with single circle c.d.s's, the second franked 2½a. with hatched circle and fine strike of "EV. LUTH. MISSION/(cross)/ MADSCHAME" cachet in violet on reverse. Photo. £200-£250
- German mail sent from the Taveta P.O., 1900 (Apr. 1) "Gruss vom Fusse des Kilimanjaro" card to Berlin franked 1a., missent with straight line "nachzusenden nach", 1901 (Apr. 21) B.E.A. 1a. card to Hannover from the mission station at Mamba, endorsed via Tanga but routed through Tanga due to this use of stationery, (July 21) to Celle from the local Lutheran Mission franked ½a., 2a. (ex Pennycuick and Chantry). (3 items) £200-£250
- 1903 (Mar. 10) B.E.A. 2a. registered envelope size F used to Mombasa with added 'small Queen' 1a. tied by hatched circle, showing registration handstamp and with Mombasa Foreign Registration Dept. c.d.s's on reverse.

  Ex Rossiter. Photo.

  £100-£120
- 280 ☑ Voi: 1901 (Feb. 26) envelope to India from a railway worker franked 1a. cancelled fine hatched circle, backstamped Mombasa Feb. 28, Sea Post Office Cand Jhelum City Apr. 1 arrival, slightly forsehortened at left as is usual, scarce. Ex Pennycuick. Photo.
  £150-£180
- Wasin: 1899 (Aug. 10) envelope franked 'small Queen' tied by fine code A squared circle, addressed c/o Rev. Arthur Grafftey Smith at the C.M.S. Rabai Mission, approx. 20 miles inland with Mombasa Aug. 13 squared circle on reverse and runner's vertical fold. Ex Krieger. Very few covers or cards with Wasin squared circle cancellations sent during the B.E.A. period have been recorded. Photo. £250-£300





### The Uganda Railway



282 ■ 1896 (Apr. 23) "On India" "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. stationery card, blue overprint type PC5a with message from "Kilindini Camp/Uganda Ry/Mombasa" commercially used to London with Mombasa squared circle, Sea Post Office C (S.S. "Carthage"), Bombay/F May 10 and framed "MALDIRIGE" marks. Ex Dunstan. Photo on page 68. £200-£250

283 🗷 1896 (May 25) envelope addressed to the Chief Engineer of the Beira Railway C.E. Chalton franked by 'On India' 1a. and 1a.6p. with Mombasa squared circle and Zanzibar May 28 transit backstamp. Ex Dunstan. Photo.

£400-£500

284 🗷 1896 (July 24) envelope believed addressed by Chief Engineer George Whitehouse to Hussein Bux in India franked by 'On India' 2a.6p. tied by Mombasa squared circle with Bombay/F Aug. 4 and Lahore Aug. 7 arrival c.d.s's on reverse, slight cover damage at left. In Feb. 1896 Whitehouse had commissioned Bux to supply Indian labour for the railway, Lahore intended to serve as the main recruiting centre. However, the Bombay Govt. had opposed the appointment and in June Bux had been replaced as agent in India by Messrs. Grindlay, Groom & Co. Photo.

£400-£500

- 285 🗷 1899 (Apr. 17) envelope to England franked B.E.A. 'small Queen' 2½a. tied by "RAILHEAD/MOMBASA" squared circle and ms. line, sent by Col. Broome, officer commanding 1st Baluchi Battn. Light Infantry, with Mombasa Apr. 20 transit and Winchester May 13 arrival on reverse. Ex Pennycuick. The transportable Railhead P.O., in use between 1897 and 1902, was at this time between Machakos Road and Nairobi, approx. 300 miles from Mombasa. Photo.
- Selection incl. two runner mail covers with enclosed letters, the first an O.H.M.S. envelope to Nairobi with testimonial letter dated May 8 1899 on Uganda Railway stationery from transport officer William Brittlebank, the other an 'East Africa & Uganda Mail' envelope to the English Club in Nakuru with letter on reverse of railway telegraph message form dated Feb. 18 1900 and written from Kedong by John McCarthy of the Transport Dept., also unused picture postcards of Mombasa and Nairobi railway stations, contemporary photo of Kilindini harbour, etc.
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  1901 (Feb. 17) envelope to India franked B.E.A. 'small Queen' ½a. pair tied by two fine overlapping strikes of "T.P.O. IN/SET No. 2" c.d.s., written by an Indian railway worker on Feb. 13, with Mombasa Feb. 25, Sea Post Office C (S.S. Persia) and Jhelum City Apr. 3 arrival c.d.s's on reverse, a little creased and soiled, very slightly foreshortened at right as is usual. Railhead at this time was between Nakuru and Mau Summit. Ex Dunstan and Rossiter. Photo.

  £400-£500
- 288 1901 (May 21) Punjab Police envelope to London franked B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. pair tied by two fine strikes of "T.P.O. IN/SET No. 2" c.d.s. with July 8 squared circle arrival alongside, sent by Asst. Police Supt. Philip Goldney, engaged in railway security, backstamped Mombasa June 6 transit, locally redirected by William Watson & Co., original addressees, with affixed label and their cachets on reverse, vertical crease and slight staining. Ex Pennycuick and Rossiter. Photo.
- 289 1902 (Apr. 29) envelope to London franked B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. tied by "EXPERIMENTAL P.O." c.d.s., backstamped Mombasa May 1 transit and May 27 arrival, vertical creases well clear, very scarce. During 1901 a post office was opened at 'Earthworks', the embanking gangs camp for workers employed on laying the railway. The camp was ahead of 'Railhead' and the Experimental P.O. cancellation was used at Earthworks between 1901 and 1903. Ex Rossiter. Photo.

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1902 (Oct. 29) envelope to India franked B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. tied by "RAILHEAD/MOMBASA" c.d.s, initialled and endorsed "B.E. Africa/26/20/02" at left, with Mombasa Nov. 1 transit and Lahore Nov. 24 arrival on reverse, a little stained and slightly trimmed at left but rare. Ex Rossiter. After the Uganda Railway opened to passenger traffic on Mar. 1 1902 the Railhead P.O. moved back to Muhoroni, the base for construction engineers erecting permanent bridges on the Mau Escarpment. Photo.

### German Post Office in Lamu



Rare early incoming envelope addressed to Gustav Denhardt at "Lamu/East Coast of Africa/First Station between Aden and Zanzibar", sent "via Brindisi" from Grafengehaig, Bavaria Nov. 30 1888 franked 10pf. (2) and showing on reverse Munich transit and receiving datestamp "LAMU/OSTAFRIKA/ 16/1/89". Ex Fischer and 'signed' Mansfeld. In 1885 the brothers Denhardt negotiated a treaty with Ahmed ibn Fumo Bakar, Sultan of Witu, under the terms of which 25 square miles of territory were ceded to the brothers' "Tana Company", the remainder of the area becoming the German Protectorate of Wituland (Deutsch-Witu) with Gustav as the German Resident and his brother as deputy. On July 1 1890, in accord with the Heligoland–Zanzibar Treaty, Germany renounced its protectorate, ceding Wituland to Great Britain in exchange for Heligoland, despite strong protests from the local inhabitants, who wished to remain under Germany's protection. The brothers were compensated by an indemnity of 150,000 Goldmark but were lucky to escape from an angry mob and both later died back in Germany. A German postal agency opened at Lamu on Nov. 22 1888 and continued in operation until Mar. 31 1891. Photo.

£500-£600

# German East Africa







292 1887 India 2a. registered envelope size F to Germany endorsed sent by "Fhr. von Bülow/ Usungula a/Rufu/Deutsch-Ost-Afrika", commander of the Deutsch-Ostafrikanischen Gesellschaft station on the Ruvu River, bearing India 3a. tied by superb Zanzibar Apr. 16 squared circle, backstamped Bombay May 1, Sea Post Office D (S.S. Peshawar) and Coblenz May 22 arrival. Freiherr Albrecht von Bülow (1864-1892) had travelled to East Africa, purchased land and attempted to create a successful career for himself as a plantation owner but was later killed during the Arab uprising whilst attempting to rescue a colleague. He had been accompanied to Africa by his sister Frieda, later recognised both as an important novelist and a tireless advocate of German colonial expansion. Photo.

£600-£800



- 293 
  1889, envelope size F to Germany endorsed sent by "Freiher. von Bülow/Ras Muhesa bei Pangani" addressed to Sleiwitz, Silesia via the French P.O. in Zanzibar bearing France 5c. (2) and 15c. tied by Zanzibar c.d.s's, with Modane à Paris transit in red with Oct. 21 arrival on reverse. Ex Walkley. Photo.

  £500-£600
- 294 1891 German 10pf. stationery card endorsed from Bagamoyo Mar. 1 addressed to Kiel, Germany and sent via Zanzibar cancelled by "ZANZIBAR/KAISERL. DEUTSCHE/POSTAGENTUR" Mar. 2 c.d.s. with Mar. 26 arrival at left, vertical fold. The German postal agency in Zanzibar had opened on Aug. 27 1890, the Bagamoyo agency on Oct. 4. Photo.

#### German East Africa continued



Emin Pasha



1891 (Mar. 19) envelope in the hand of Emin Pasha sent from the Nile region of central Africa, registered to his sister in Neisse, Silesia at 40pf. rate franked by 10pf. (4, one missing serifs to "P" in right-hand scroll) tied by four strikes of German Zanzibar c.d.s. and with ms. registration label (in use from Feb. 1891) at left, backstamped Apr. 7 arrival. Steuer certificate (1993). Dr. Eduard Carl Oscar Theodor Schnitzer (1840-1892) was an Ottoman physician of German Jewish origin who had converted to Islam and took the name Mehemet Emin, later conferred with the honour "Pasha" by the Ottoman authorites. He had arrived at Khartoum in 1875 and was appointed as Medical Officer by General Gordon and in 1878 as Governor of the province of Equatoria. Driven out by the supporters of the Mahdi, Emin Pasha was cut off in Wadelai until 'rescued' by the Stanley Expedition in 1888. He then entered the service of the German East Africa Co. and in Apr. 1890 had left Bagamoyo on an expedition to the lakes in the interior and had departed to the west from Bukoba Station on Feb. 12 1891. Emin never returned to the coast and in Oct. 1892 was killed by two Arab slave traders at Kinena Station in the Congo. Photo. £1,200-£1,500



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   1891 German 10pf. stationery card endorsed from Pangani Mar. 27 addressed to Cassel, Germany and sent via Zanzibar cancelled by "ZANZIBAR/KAISERL. DEUTSCHE/POSTAGENTUR" Apr. 2 c.d.s. with Apr. 21 arrival at left, vertical fold. The German postal agency at Zanzibar opened on Aug. 27 1890 and closed on July 31 1891, the post office at Pangani not opening until June 15 1892. Photo.
- 297 Emergency measures 1915-16, provisional envelope with seal and "Frankiert/mit 7 ½ H" pre-franking in violet, used from Morogoro to Tabora with Mittelbahnpost oval d.s. of May 1 1916 showing "a" at foot, same day Tabora receiver on reverse, a few very trivial stains. Photo.

### German Seapost Mail from East Africa

- 298 1894 (July 5), 1898 (Feb. 3) two "REICHSPOST" 10pf. stationery cards to Berlin, written from Zanzibar and each cancelled by "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/HAUPTLINIE" c.d.s. codes e (R.P.D. *Kanzler*) and g (R.P.D. *General*) respectively, the former with Aden Aug. 8 transit where transferred to the *Admiral*, the latter with same day Zanzibar c.d.s., also Madagascar 15c. lettercard incoming to Zanzibar with added Reichspost 20pf. tied by Feb. 3 Seepost c.d.s. code e (R.P.D. *Kanzler*) and same day Zanzibar arrival. (3 items) £150-£200
- German Naval ship's mail, 1898 (June 7) and (Dec. 18) two Schiffspost overprint 10pf. stationery cards written from S.M.S. *Condor* at Zanzibar with "KAIS. DEUTSCHE/MARINE/SCHIFFSPOST" No. 10 cancellations, also 1909 and 1914 items to Germany from S.M.S. *See Adler* (based at Dar-es-Salaam from 1897 to 1914), the first a stampless official cover (reassembled for display) with two line "kommando" and circular "BRIEFSTEMPEL" handstamps, the second an amended civilian 3pf. stationery card with two line "Kassenverwaitung" and Marine Schiffspost No. 11 c.d.s. (4 items)



- 300 O 1899 picture postcard of Zanzibar addressed to Hamburg, Germany with greetings message dated May 20, carried on the R.P.D. *Koenig*, bearing Zanzibar 1898 1a. tied by "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/HAUPTLINIE/5/6/99" code k c.d.s. with June 8 arrival. Photo.
- 301 № 1901, B.E.A. "On India" "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. stationery card, blue overprint with added "REICHSPOST" 10pf., both cancelled by "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/HAUPTLINIE" c.d.s. of Sept. 2 written on board R.P.D. *Bundesrath* three days out from Mombasa by Rev. G.K. Baskerville addressed to Bishop Tucker in London with hooded arrival d.s. of Sept. 20 and redirected to Surbiton. Photo.



302 
1902 envelope from Taveta to Celle, Germany carried on the R.P.D. *Gouverneur*, bearing B.E.A. 'small Queen' ½a., 1a. pair tied by fine Taveta Jan. 5 hatched circles with very fine "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/ HAUPTLINIE/ 16/1/02" code g c.d.s. below, Mombasa Jan. 8 transit and Feb. 5 arrival datestamps on reverse. Ex Rossiter. Photo.

### German Seapost Mail from East Africa continued

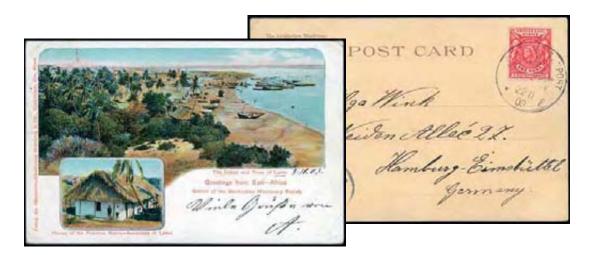




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- 303 № 1902 'Denhardt' envelope from Lamu to Stadtsulza, Germany endorsed via Aden and carried on the R.P.D. *Gouverneur*, bearing B.E.A. 'small Queen' ½a., 1a. pair tied by "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/ HAUPTLINIE/ 5/9/02" code g c.d.s's with Denhardt's annotated receiving cachet and Sept. 21 arrival backstamp. Ex Siebentritt. Photo.
- 304 1903 envelope to Heidelberg, Germany carried on the R.P.D. *Herzog*, bearing B.E.A. 'small Queen' ½a. and 2a. tied by "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/HAUPTLINIE/27 5/03" code h c.d.s's (applied when the ship was two days south of Aden), with June 9 arrival c.d.s. on reverse, mail having been offloaded at Naples for onward transmission. Ex Rossiter. Photo.



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   1903, attractive coloured postcard produced for Neukirchen Missionary Society Lamu Mission with message dated Nov. 8, addressed to Hamburg and carried on the *Kronprinz* bearing B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. tied by "DEUTSCHE SEEPOST/OST-/AFRIKANISCHE/HAUPTLINIE/22 11/03" code l c.d.s's with arrival c.d.s. at left. Photo. £300-£350
- Austrian-Lloyd Steamship Co., selection incl. fine "LLOYD AUSTRIACO" Mar. 3 1901 c.d.s. of the S.S. Carinthia on B.E.A. 'small Queen' 1a. block of four, S.S. Africa "AFRICA/O.E. LLOYD" c.d.s. on 1904 p.p.c. of the ship to Johannesburg (ex Sussex), 1905 Zanzibar p.p.c. to Durban with Mombasa transit (ex Rossiter), 1908 p.p.c. Constantinople to Trieste and an unused p.p.c. of the ship, S.S. Bohemia "BOHEMIA/O.E. LLOYD" on 1905 p.p.c. from Lourenço Marques to Cairo (with mixed franking), S.S. Koerber "KOERBER/O.E. LLOYD" applied at Zanzibar on 1906 cover from Mozambique bearing 5r., 15r. and 100r. (7 items) £250-£300

# **Uganda**

# **Early Mail**



Frederick Lugard



307 Lugard Correspondence from Uganda: I.B.E.A. envelope to Shillong, India (redirected to Kohima) addressed in the hand of Capt. Frederick Lugard with initials at lower left and sent from Kampala Fort during Mar. 1891, franked by B.E.A. ½a. and 1a. pair tied by Mombasa "JY 2/91" c.d.s's with, on the reverse, next day Zanzibar Sea Post Office A July 14, Shillong July 25, Kohima July 31 and Dimapur Aug. 2 c.d.s's. Having secured Uganda for the I.B.E.A. company by treaty signed on Dec. 26 1890, Frederick (later Lord) Lugard spent three months at Mengo establishing Kampala Fort, leaving on Apr. 8 1891 after the arrival of reinforcements in order to carry out a punitive expedition against Muslim rebels. Journey time on foot from Uganda to the coast was around three months. This is the earliest known 2½a. rate cover to India, the rate having apparently reduced from 3a. on July 1, and one of two known covers sent by Lugard to former army colleagues by this mail. Photo.

£1,500-£2,000



Early Mission Mail to Uganda: 1893 I.B.E.A. 2a. stationery front addressed to "The Right Revd. Bp. Tucker D.D./Uganda/ c/o Boustead Ridley & Co./Zanzibar" with Tucker's receiving note "Burt/May 29th 1893". Rev. Frederick Burt of the C.M.S. was resident at the Jilore Mission at Malindi, B.E.A. Tucker was on his second tour of Uganda mission stations and had received the cover at Mengo. The Boustead Ridley missionary mail service had opened from Zanzibar to Lake Victoria in 1883 and a new contract via Saadani (German East Africa) had begun in 1891. Ex Dunstan. Photo. £300-£400

### Early Mail continued



Mission Mail from Uganda during B.E.A. Stamp Shortage: 1895 envelope to his future wife in England in the hand of Rev. Richard Herbert Leakey (1868-1937) at Mengo with initials at lower left and endorsement "Mengo/Uganda/15/7/95" on reverse, carried to Mombasa by agents Boustead Ridley but forwarded to Zanzibar for franking due to shortage of lower value stamps. Paid at 5a. double rate by India ½a. (2) and 1a. strip of four tied by Zanzibar "27 SE 96" c.d.s's, carried to Aden on the S.S. Kilwa, backstamped Aden Oct. 8 transit and Reading Oct. 21 arrival. The Boustead Ridley northern route via British East Africa had begun in 1893 after the opening of an agency in Mombasa in November. Photo.

### **Early Mission Mail**



- 310 № 1896 envelope from Miss Edith Furley to Mrs. Baylis, wife of the C.M.S. Africa Secretary, in London, initialled at lower left, franked at 5a. double rate by British East Africa 'On India' 2a.6p. pair tied by Mombasa "FE 27/96" squared circles with Mar. 23 arrival backstamp, having been carried on the S.S. Goa to Aden. Edith Markham Furley, a former nurse, was one of the first party of five C.M.S. ladies sent to Uganda and was placed in charge of baptism and confirmation classes at Mengo as well as teacher training. In this early period mail from the missions to the exterior was franked with B.E.A. stamps by postal officials in Mombasa, the cost being debited to the sender's account by reference to the endorsed initials. Photo.
- 311 🗷 1896 envelope from Miss Edith M. Furley to Mrs. Baylis, wife of the C.M.S. Africa Secretary, in London, initialled at lower left, franked at 5a. double rate by British East Africa 'On India' 1a.6p. pair and 2a. tied by Mombasa "MY 26/96" squared circles with June 15 arrival backstamp, having been carried on the S.S. *Madura* to Aden. Photo.

£500-£600



312 
1896 envelope addressed by Rev. Robert H. Walker to his father in England, initialled at lower left franked at double rate by B.E.A. 'small Queen' 5a. for external postage at double rate cancelled by Mombasa Nov. 7 squared circle, carried to Aden on the S.S. Goa and with Great Yarmouth Nov. 28 arrival backstamp. In this early period mail from the missions to the exterior was franked with B.E.A. stamps by postal officials in Mombasa, the cost being debited to the sender's account by reference to the endorsed initials. This cover would have left Mengo for the coast by the August mail prior both to the establishment on Sept. 30 of the 4a. mandatory charge for transit via Kikuyu, B.E.A. and the issue of Rev. Rowling's type-set stamps on Nov. 7. Photo.



Eleanor Browne



313 
1896 envelope from Miss Eleanor Browne at Mengo to Great Yarmouth, initialled and dated "27.11.96" at lower left, without evidence of payment of internal postage but franked by B.E.A. 'small Queen' 2½a. for external postage cancelled by Mombasa Jan. 31 1897 squared circle, carried to Aden on the S.S. Canara and with Feb. 22 arrival backstamp, slight staining. Eleanor Elizabeth Browne was one of the first party of five C.M.S. ladies sent to Uganda and worked mainly in the dispensary, later marrying Rev. Frank Rowling at Mengo on Feb. 7 1898. In this early period mail from the missions to the exterior was franked with B.E.A. stamps by postal officials in Mombasa, the cost being debited to the sender's account by reference to the endorsed initials. Photo.



# Mail from Uganda using the B.E.A. 1897 Provisionals



Envelope endorsed from "Lt. Dugmore/Uganda" and with personal monogram at lower left, bearing "2½" type 14 on Zanzibar 1a. indigo and red tied by Mombasa Jan. 2 1897 squared circle, addressed to his mother in Guernsey with Jan. 26 arrival backstamp, some creasing. Lt. William Brougham Francis Radclyffe Dugmore (1868-1917) of the King's African Rifles, son of the notorious 'Mad Francis' Dugmore, was on military service in Uganda. In late 1897 the mutiny of many of the protectorate's Sudanese troops threatened British control of the whole northern lakes region and in Jan. 1898 Dugmore replaced Capt. Thruston as officer commanding Bunyoro when the latter was called away to deal with mutineers. Three covers dated Jan. 2 1897 and bearing the provisional, used to frank mail for S.S. "Goa", the monthly British India mailboat to Aden, are recorded. Photo.

£800-£1,000

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- 315 ☆ Thick white paper 1a. (both), 2a., 4a., thin toned paper 8a. pair [R. 1/3-4] and single, 1r., 5r. pair [4/1-2], unused, odd trivial imperfection but chiefly fine. (10) £250-£300
- 316 ☆ 1a. with thick "1", complete unused sheet of 32 from the Second Printing, both panes se-tenant, [R. 3/1] in each showing small "O" in "POSTAGE", [R. 4/2] in each showing broken "O" in "PROTECTORATE", both [R. 1/4] and [R. 3/4] in each with sloping "ATE" in "PROTECTORATE", mainly fine and rare. S.G. 55, a, cat. £860+. Photo.

£250-£300

317 ☆ ■ 2a., Second Printing, full unused pane of sixteen, [R. 3/1] with small "O" in "POSTAGE", horizontal and vertical folds otherwise mainly fine. S.G. 56, a, cat. £419+. Photo. 1r. horizontal pair on toned paper [R. 3/1-2], one with small "O". S.G. 56. £110-£130









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- 318 ☆ 1r. horizontal pair on thin toned paper [R. 3/1-2], one with small "O", unused, light diagonal bend otherwise fine. S.G. 60, a, cat. £435+. Photo. £100-£120
- 319 O 5r. on thin toned paper, corner marginal [R. 1/4], used with Kampala "JA 28/99" c.d.s. S.G. 61, cat. £350. Photo. £100-£120
- 320 O Used selection comprising 2a., 3a. full row of four, 4a., 8a., 1r. and 5r. with c.d.s. cancellations of Ankole (3a., 1r.), Eldoma (4a.), Kampala (2a.) or Lubas (5r.), odd crease otherwise chiefly fine. (9) Photo.
- Overprinted "L" for use on Local Mail: 1a. with blue pencil cross cancellation, 2a. on small piece with ms. "Kampala/6/9/97" cancellation applied by Rev. F. Rowling, creator of the issue, 3a. unused, also 2a. with dubious overprint and Port Alice c.d.s. (4) Photo.

  £150-£180

# Type-set/B.E.A. Combination Covers



322 № 1897 early use cover addressed by Miss Mary Susannah Tomsett of the C.M.S. at Gayaza to Rev. Sydney Selwyn in Boscombe, Hants. bearing type-set 4a. tied by red pencil cross and B.E.A. 2½a. with Mombasa "JU 19/97" squared circle, backstamped Bournemouth July 10 arrival. Ex Chantry. Photo.



323 № 1897 cover addressed by Rev. Martin Hall at Ngogwe to Mrs. Clegg in Edgbaston, initialled at lower left, bearing type-set 4a. uncancelled and B.E.A. 2½a. with Mombasa "DE 31/97" c.d.s., backstamped Birmingham Jan. 24 1898 arrival. Photo.

Type-set/B.E.A. Combination Covers continued



324 
■ 1897 cover addressed by Rev. Henry Richard Sugden at Mitiana to F. Sugden in Kent, initialled at upper right, bearing corner marginal type-set 4a. at left uncancelled and B.E.A. 2½a. with Mombasa "DE 31/97" c.d.s., backstamped Sevenoaks Jan. 24 1898 arrival. Ex Rossiter and Dunstan. Photo. £300-£350



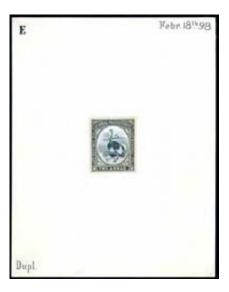
325 № 1898 cover addressed by Rev. Hugh William Tegart at Gayaza to D.J. Cooper at Tripoli, North Africa, initialled at upper left, bearing type-set 4a., slightly overlapping edge, with ms. pencil and blue pencil cross cancellations, B.E.A. 2½a. alongside with blue Mombasa "SP 13/98" c.d.s., backstamped Zanzibar Sept. 16, Suez Oct. 8 transit and Tripoli Oct. 20 arrival c.d.s's, vertical creases but an unusual destination. Photo.



326 
■ 1898 cover addressed by Rev. Martin Hall to Mrs. Clegg in Edgbaston, bearing type-set 1a. and 3a. with B.E.A. 2½a., all tied by Kampala "28 NO/98" c.d.s's, this being early usage, the cancellers having arrived on Nov. 23, backstamped Mombasa Jan. 3 1899 transit overstruck by Birmingham Feb. 10 arrival. Photo. £400-£500

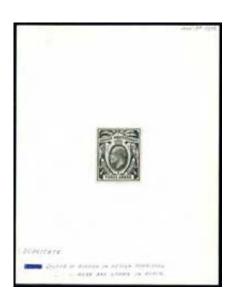
# 1898 - 1901 Essays - from the John Wilks Collection





327 E 1898, 2a. small format composite essay with photographic frame and engraved vignette depicting ostrich, affixed to card (90 x 115mm) endorsed "E", "Dupl." and dated "Febr. 18th 98". Ex De La Rue archives. Ex Dunstan and Vestey. Photo. £1,200-£1,50





328 E 1901, photographic essay for proposed surface printed issue, denominated 3a., mounted on thick card (90 x 115mm.), endorsed "DUPLICATE" with blue colour example annotated "COLOUR OF BORDER IN DESIGN SUBMITTED/" "HEAD AND CROWN IN BLACK" and dated "JULY 30 1901". Objections to this and another design were received from the Commissioner for Uganda, Sir Harry Johnston, as the Ugandan postal system was to be fused with that of British East Africa. Ex De La Rue archives. Photo. See also lot 150.

£1,000-£1,200





329 
1899 cover from Bishop Alfred Tucker with episcopal initials at lower left, addressed to his wife in England, bearing Uganda Protectorate 4a., slightly overlapping edge, and B.E.A. 2½a. paying internal and external postage respectively, both tied by Kampala "JA 23/99" c.d.s's, backstamped Mombasa Feb. 28 transit, Windermere Apr. 6 arrival. Only nine combination franking covers are recorded. Occurring prior to Uganda's entry into the U.P.U. in 1901 and limited to destinations outside the Empire after the introduction of Imperial Penny Postage, news of which had not reached Kampala at this date, this January mail date is the earliest recorded for both the combination covers and the new De La Rue issue. Ex Dunstan. Photo also on inside back cover.

£1,800-£2,000



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■ 1899 cover in the hand of Capt. Walter Willis Chitty from the 1st Indian Battalion, Uganda Rifles, registered to London bearing Uganda Protectorate 2a. with B.E.A. 1a. and 2a. tied by Mombasa "25 AU/99" squared circles with "R" in oval and Sept. 3 arrival below. Photo.

£1,500-£1,800





331 ☑ 1900 cover to Switzerland in the hand of Rev. Ernest Millar bearing Uganda Protectorate 1a. with B.E.A. 2½a. tied by fine Kampala "MR 4/00" c.d.s's with Mombasa next day transit and Winterthur Apr. 28 arrival on reverse. Photo. £1,200-£1,500



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1900, B.E.A. 2a. stationery envelope to Bombay with added Uganda Protectorate 1a. pair with B.E.A. 1a. and 2a. paying 5a. double rate, tied by Mombasa "17 AU/1900" c.d.s's, the Uganda 1a. pair also crossed by ms. lines (seen also on reverse where a Uganda adhesive appears to have been affixed over the B.E.A. imprinted stamp and later removed) with Sept. 6 arrival backstamp. Believed to be in the hand of Capt. Edward H. Watson of the Indian Staff Corps and 33rd Punjab Infantry, in command of the Indian Contingent marching to the coast prior to departure on Oct. 7. Photo.
£1,200-£1,500



Mixed franking after postal amalgamation, 1904, B.E.A. 2a. stationery envelope size F sent by German army officer to Berlin with added Uganda Protectorate 1a. pair and B.E.A. ½a., 2½a. paying 5a. double rate, tied by Kisumu "6 FE/4" c.d.s's, with registration handstamp, Foreign Registration Department, Mombasa Feb. 10 transit and Mar. 2 arrival. Photo. £500-£600

# Uganda Post Offices 1899 to 1916



334 ★ Ankole (Mbarara): 1900 (Sept. 20) envelope to Montreal, Canada franked 'small Queen' 1a. tied by very fine single circle c.d.s., 1905 incoming B.E.A. ½a. card from Mombasa with fine Mar. 9 arrive fleuron c.d.s., slight creasing. (2 items)

- 1904 (Jan. 29) White Fathers missionary mail, cover to Marseille franked 'small Queen' 2½a. tied by fine fleuron c.d.s., backstamped Kampala, Mombasa and arrival backstamps. Photo. £140-£160



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336 ⊠ - ANKOLE BISECT: 1905 (Nov. 15) envelope (with family crest on flap) sent by Dr. L.D. Lowsley to his sister in Berkshire bearing previously unrecorded K.E.VII 2a. left half vertical bisect tied by fine fleuron c.d.s. (with day/month line inverted) and accompanying manuscript note at left "½ 2 anna stamp used instead/of a 1 anna on account/of officials being out of/the latter. Nov. 14th 1905", backstamped Kampala Nov. 21 and Mombasa Nov. 2. The bisect was not accepted by the authorities, a pencil circle added alongside together with Protectorate's "T" in circle mark and large London "1D/F.B.B./B." handstamp. Lionel Dewe Lowsley (1866-1936) was born in Hampstead Norris, Berks., the son of a wealthy landowner. He joined the Colonial Service in 1901 as a medical officer, stationed first in Uganda (1902-12) and subsequently in Kenya (1912-16). On June 26 1906 Mbarara was officially declared a township and in his medical report for the Ankole district that year Lowsley provided a fascinating description of the mud built civil quarters as well as the ill effects of 'muhinyo', a native disease prevalent in the district, which he identified as a local variant of dengue fever. He retired in 1916 due to ill-health and died in Mombasa on 11 May 1936, his wife Marion being subsequently granted a compassionate pension. Lowsley's brother Horace stayed in Hampstead Norris as its vicar, the benefice having been inherited from their father by elder brother Lionel, living in the vicarage with their surviving younger sister Naomi Ella, a lifelong spinster. The property of another vendor and a new discovery. Photo. £300-£350



- 337 ☑ Entebbe: 1902 (Feb. 27) envelope to Wimbledon bearing "UGANDA" overprint ½a., 2½a., the latter showing variety inverted "S" in "ANNAS" [R. 1/1], tied by Entebbe double circle c.d.s's, endorsed "Registered" but sent by ordinary mail with Mombasa Mar 2 transit and Apr, 1 arrival on reverse. Ex Dunstan and Rossiter. Photo. £200-£250
- Double circle c.d.s's "MY 16/1902" on ½a. block of four, "JY 31/1902" tying "UGANDA" overprint ½a. (2), 2½a. (2) to registered cover to New Barnet, "JY 23/1903" cancelling B.E.A. 1a. stationery card to Copenhagen with signed message from postmaster. (3 items) £100-£120
- 339 ► Fort Portal: 1902 (Feb. 6) underpaid envelope to Cannes bearing Uganda 'small Queen' 1a. with unframed "T" and French 30c. postage due affixed and cancelled Apr. 5, also 1903 (Apr. 6) 'White Fathers' cover from Buddu (Masaka) to Marseille franked marginal B.E.A. 2½a. £120-£150
- **341** ☑ **Gondokoro:** 1904 (Jan. 15) B.E.A. 1a. stationery card cancelled by part Gondokoro c.d.s addressed "via Mombasa" to London with Khartoum Jan. 26 transit c.d.s. with dated ms. endorsement by J. Hall Newton on reverse. Ex Dunstan. Also 'small Queen' 2a. cancelled by Khartoum retta. Photo. £100-£120
- 342 ★ Kampala: Single circle fleuron c.d.s's tying ½a. 'small Queen' to 1902 ("UGANDA" overprint ½a.) and 1903 (Apr. 9) "BOOK POST/UGANDA NOTES" part wrappers and 1904 (Feb. 23) improvised wrapper to England, cancelling ½a. block of six and pair to 1905 (Jan. 11) cover from Rev. John Bremner Purvis to Co. Durham, and 1a. on 1904 (Jan. 22) from Dr. Albert Ruskin Cook to London. (5 items)
- 1903, "UGANDA" overprint 2a. registered envelope size J from Kampala to India with "AR" (avis de réception) in double ring and bearing 'small Queen' 1a. pairs (2) paying double rate postage and 'AR' fee, backstamped Mombasa Foreign Registration Dept. and Dec. 1 arrival. Believed to be the earliest known "AR" cover from Uganda. Photo.

  £250-£300

### Uganda Post Offices 1899 to 1916 continued



**344 Kisumu:** 1903 (May 18) and (Dec. 12) two envelopes registered to England at 3a. rate and showing registration handstamp in violet (known Mar.-May 1903) and black respectively, the first (ex Evans) to Huddersfield, redirected to Leith bearing Uganda 3a., the second (ex Rossiter) to Dulwich with B.E.A. 3a., an interesting pair. Photo.

£200-£250

- Lake Victoria Steamer Mail, 1904 (Nov. 27) East Africa & Uganda ⅓a. card with added B.E.A. ⅓a. used to Ujiji via Muanza with Feb. 21 arrival, 1905 p.p.c. from England to the Muanza postal agent and redirected to Ujiji with Mombasa, Kisumu, Muanza and arrival c.d.s's. (2 items) Photo. £100-£120



Arthur Fisher



Masindi: MASINDI BISECT, 1898-1902 2a. red-brown diagonal bisect, tied by (Dec. 1? 1899 Masindi c.d.s. to C.M.S. envelope endorsed "No One Anna/Stamps/available at/Masinidi/Post Office" and addressed to the Mombasa Postmaster by Rev. A.B. Fisher, with runner's vertical folds and Jan. 24 1900 arrival c.d.s. on reverse. B.P.A. certificate (2004) Arthur Bryan Fisher (1870-1955) was accepted as a C.M.S. missionary in 1892 and served largely in Uganda at Kasaka, Kinakulya, Toro, Bunyoro, Hoima and Gulu. In 1902 he married fellow missionary Ruth Hurditch. He retired from service in 1914 and died at Eastbourne in 1955. Only one other Masindi bisect on cover is recorded, the other addressed to Bishop Tucker at Namirembe (Mengo) in Mar. 1900. Photo. £1,000-£1,200

## **Zanzibar**

### **Early Mail**



The Kuhlmann Correspondence, 1855 lettersheet addressed to Emile Kuhlmann, "Gerant le Consulat de France/a/Zanzibar" with "ADEN/NO 14/1855" fine and early strike of the Aden double arc, with message inside and consulate cachet, the receiving date of Dec. 7 noted in manuscript. No. 14 in the Gary DuBro listing in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy (2012). Carried privately by the vessel "Norma", there being no scheduled service from Aden to Zanzibar. The French Consulate opened in 1844 at Zanzibar, Kuhlmann serving from 1849 to 1856 with the exception of a short trip to Aden in late 1854. Photo.
£1,500-£2,000



- 1856 incoming envelope to Emile Kuhlmann from his family in Colmar, France sent Jan. 7 noted "Franchi" with red "PD" and ms. "10", Bale-Strasbourg T.P.O. Jan. 7, Alexandria Jan. 22 and Aden Feb. 7 double arc transit datestamps, addressed for forwarding by Parsi agents Cursetjee & Co. and with fine strike of the Aden circular "B.P.P./Bearing" mark type PS7 in black. Ex Hibbert. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 35 and no. 17 in the listing, the last recorded. Photo. £2,000-£2,500



Merchant Mail, 1857 entire from L. Bauzan headed "Zanzibar 4 mars 1857" with information on current market prices and covering lettersheet, sent to fellow trader Antoine Michel in Mozambique via Marseille, carried by private ships and with Fabre & fils of Marseille forwarding agents' cachet in blue. Rare, being also one of the earliest recorded incoming postal history items to Mozambique. Photo. £500-£600

#### Early Mail continued



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■ Merchant Mail, 1861 entire from William O'Swald to the parent company in Hamburg showing company cachet in blue and carried by private ship to Keemaree with May 4 Paid arrival, Kurrachee, Bombay, Marseille and Paris transit and Hamburg June 7 arrival datestamps. Ex Siebentritt. Photo. £250-£300



351 ☑ Consular Post, 1876 cover addressed to Clemens Denhardt in Berlin, sent from Zanzibar endorsed "franco" and bearing India 1a., 2a., 8a. three colour franking at 11a. double rate, tied by Aden type KD9 "B-22" (long hyphen) Apr. 24 duplexes. with "PD" and backstamped Sea Post Office C (S.S. Assam) and May 8 arrival. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 54. From Oct. 1 1875 British Consular staff forwarded mail for Aden, receiving a monthly grant of 30 rupees. Clemens Denhardt (1856-1917), together with brother Gerhard and Gustav Fischer, undertook his first expedition through the Tana River region in 1878. Photo.

£500-£600



- 1877 inward cover addressed to "Mr. W.V. Nicholas/Barque Royal Diadem/Captn. Dennis/Zanzibar/Africa" and endorsed "Care of the/British Consul", sent from Wales franked by 3d. pl. 8 OG, OH with Fishguard Jan. 30 duplex at 6d. rate applicable for routing not via Brindisi (pre-payment compulsory), ms. receiving note "Received/Zanzibar May 3rd 1877/Mr. Vaughan Nicholas" on reverse. Photo. £300-£400



- 353 ☑ Consular Post, 1877 envelope addressed to Clemens Denhardt in Berlin, sent by a German architect in Zanzibar endorsed "fr." and bearing India 1a., 4a. tied by June 10 type KD8 "B-22" duplex (short hyphen) at single rate via Brindisi, with July 2 arrival below, backstamped Sea Post Office D (S.S. Geelong). Ex Gary Brown. From Oct. 1 1875 British Consular staff forwarded mail for Aden, this cover apparently from the last mailing arranged by agent Dr. Robb. Photo.
- 354 № 1892 (June 6) Eastern Telegraph Co. Ltd envelope with double oval dated cachet in violet on reverse and enclosed receipt for telegram sent to Frankfurt from the Zanzibar station. £100-£120
- 355 № 1899 incoming registered cover sent Nov. 30 from Okahandja, German South West Africa addressed to Doctor Bröde, c/o the "Imperial German Consulate/Zanzibar/East Coast of Africa/via Capetown", franked at 40pf. rate paid by overprinted 3pf. (5), 5pf. (3), 10pf., with transit and arrival backstamps, slight creasing and part flap missing. Dr. Heinrich Bröde (1874-1936) had arrived in Zanzibar in Oct. 1898 and first served as an interpreter at the consulate becoming Vice-Consul and remembered today for his translation of the colourful autobiography of Tippu Tip from Swahili into German. Photo.
- 356 ☑ 1901 (Mar. 12) p.p.c of Usambara sent unfranked to Berlin showing Zanzibar "T" in circle and charged "20"(pf.), also two incoming items showing framed "FOREIGN POSTAGE/ ANNAS PIES", incorrectly applied on 1901 (Dec. 21) cover from Muscat bearing India ½a., 1a. pair, the second correctly on 1904 B.E.A. ½a. stationery card from Mombasa. (3 items) £100-£120



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## Naval Mail from East Africa: Anti-Slavery Patrols



357 ■ 1878 envelope sent from H.M.S. *London* by Lt. John A. Jones to naval outfitters Messrs. Seagrove at the 6d. officer's rate bearing Great Britain 1d. red pl. 188 AA-AC, pl. 194 FI, NE-NF with Foreign Branch "FB" cancellations and Portsmouth Aug. 26 arrival backstamp. *Stationed at Zanzibar from Apr. 1874, H.M.S. "London" was the storeship for the R.N. anti-slavery patrols.* Ex Osborn. Photo.



358 № 1888 from the 'Sullivan' correspondence, sailor's concessionary rate envelope with countersign initials of commanding officer, addressed to Birmingham and endorsed from H.M.S. *Griffon* whilst at Zanzibar, sent by R.N. ship's bag, bearing Great Britain 1887 'Jubilee' 2d. tied by London Dec. 17 c.d.s., part reverse side flap missing. The sailor's privilege rate of 2d. was permitted during service east of Suez. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £350-£400



359 
■ 1889 sailor's concessionary rate envelope sent by stoker A. Barker endorsed from "HMS Boadicea Zanzibar", countersigned by commanding officer Capt. Curzon-Howe, addressed to Hampshire, bearing Great Britain 1d. lilac (2) cancelled by London Oct. 24 c.d.s's, slight staining. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £350-£400



- 360 1890, Great Britain 2d. stationery card addressed to "The Hon./Lady Fremantle/c/o The Commander in Chief/East Indies Station/H.M.S. "Boadicea", cancelled by Winslow, Bucks Jan. 3 duplex with personal message in French on reverse. Admiral Hon. Sir Edmund Robert Fremantle (1836-1929) was Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies station between 1888 and 1891, his flagship "Boadicea" based at Zanzibar, and had married Barberina Rogers Isaacs in 1869. Photo.
- 361 1907 (Oct. 13) registered cover with enclosed letter headed "HMS "Hermes"/Zanzibar" sent by Fleet Surgeon W.H. Stalhartt to his mother in Hampshire, franked Zanzibar 1904 3a. and with handstamped boxed "ZANZIBAR" registration mark (earliest recorded use), London transit and Portsmouth Nov. 2 arrival on reverse. H.M.S. "Hermes" visited Zanzibar from Oct. 8-17 1907. Photo.

# The Experimental Post Office

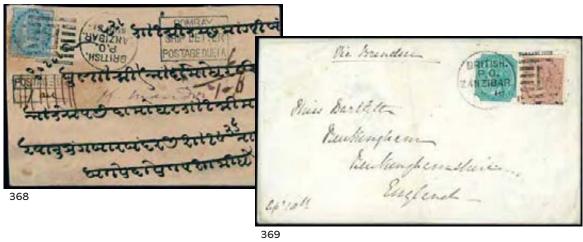


- 362 1878 (Oct. 17) J. Meyer envelope sent at double rate to Hamburg "via Brindisi" franked by India 8a. and 1a. pair tied by the experimental barred diamond with Zanzibar c.d.s. below, with Aden Oct. 25, Sea Post Office C (S.S. Deccan) and Nov. 9 arrival, a little creased and stained. Rare, only an estimated 30 covers survive with this cancellation which was in use from June 1878 to July 1879 only and this the only recorded 'Bars' cover bearing the 8a. stamp. Ex Knight. Photo. £1,000-£1,200
- 363 1879 (Feb. 6) envelope addressed by Gustav Denhardt to his mother in Zeitz, Germany at 5a. rate prior to reduction to 3a. in Apr. 1879, with Zanzibar c.d.s. at top, India 1a. pair and single at left cancelled by the experimental barred diamond with two further 1a. adhesives torn away at upper right, backstamped Aden Feb. 16, Sea Post Office A (S.S. *Mongolia*) and Mar. 1 arrival, rare despite damage. Ex Siebentritt. Photo. £350-£400

#### The Experimental Post Office continued



- 364 ⋈ 1879 (May 4) cover to Cutch Mandvi, India, slightly foreshortened at right as is usual for this correspondence, franked at 8a. double rate prior to notification of reduction to 3a. for ½oz. applicable from April, with India 4a. pair tied by the experimental barred diamond with Zanzibar c.d.s. alongside, backstamped Aden May 11, Sea Post Office A and May 25 arrival, rare despite slight faults Photo.
- 365 ⊠ 1879 (June 1) cover to Cutch Mandvi, India, the earliest known showing the 3a. packet boat rate, bearing India 1a. and 2a. tied by the experimental barred diamond with Zanzibar c.d.s. alongside, carried on the S.S. Kaisar-I-Hind, backstamped Aden, Sea Post Office C and May 25 arrival, slightly foreshortened at right as is usual for this correspondence, franked at 8a. double rate prior to notification of reduction to 3a. for ½oz. applicable from April, with India 4a. pair tied by the experimental barred diamond with Zanzibar c.d.s. alongside, backstamped Aden May 11, Sea Post Office C, framed "T.P.O. ENQUIRY OFFICE/BOMBAY/N. JUN: 16" and Mundra June 21 arrival, rare. Photo. £500-£600
- 366 ⊠ 1879 (Aug. 12) unpaid packet boat cover to Cutch Mandvi, India, with Zanzibar despatch c.d.s. on reverse, showing "T" in circle and "OVERLAND POSTAGE/DUE/AS/6" (with reversed "N"), the latter overstruck by framed "T.P.O. ENQUIRY OFFICE/BOMBAY/N. SEP: 2", backstamped Aden Aug. 22 and Mandvi Sept. 6 arrival marks, the cover slightly foreshortened at right as is usual for this correspondence. Ex Reynard. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal £200-£250 History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 58. Photo.



# The British Post Office Duplex



- 1879 (Aug. 12) cover showing showing the earliest recorded use of the British P.O. duplex in use from Aug. 1879 until June 1882, addressed to Cutch Mandvi, India franked at 3a. rate by India ⅓a. (2), 2a. with framed "T.P.O. ENQUIRY OFFICE/BOMBAY/N. SEP: 2", incorrectly applied "T" in circle officially deleted in red ink, showing red wax seal of Hindu merchant Jairam Sewji, Aden Aug. 22, Sea Post Office B (S.S. Sumatra) and Mandvi Sept. 6 arrival, slight foreshortening at right as usual. Ex Sturton. "Customs masters at Zanzibar were invariably Indian and often of the Bhadia community. The long serving Jairam Sewji… had effectively become a state banker, extending credits to the head of state, to European trading firms, to plantation owners and to caravan merchants alike." (The Cambridge History of Africa, Vol. 6, p. 548). Photo. £600-£800
- 368 1879 (Aug. 31) Bombay Ship Letter cover to Cutch Mandvi, India bearing India 1a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex, original Postage Due handstamp deleted but showing framed "BOMBAY/SHIP LETTER/POSTAGE DUE 1A" for amount due to ship's master, backstamped framed "TOO LATE", Bombay Sept. 29 and Mandvi Oct. 3 arrival, minor faults and very slightly foreshortened at right as is usual. Ex Minto. Photo. £200-£250
- 369 № 1879 (Sept. 18) envelope sent to England "via Brindisi" by Josephine Bartlett of the Universities' Mission at Zanzibar franked at 5a. rate by India 1a., 4a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex with Aden Sept. 26 and Buckingham Oct. 10 arrival on reverse. Ex Knight. Photo.



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1879 (Oct. 15) envelope from Capt. Bartlett Jefferson Cromwell, commander of the sloop-of war U.S.S. *Ticonderoga* on its world cruise, addressed to his wife in Pennsylvania franked at double rate by India 2a., 4a. pair cancelled by British P.O. duplex, backstamped Aden Oct. 25, London Nov. 10 and Philadelphia Nov. 22, with original enclosed ten page letter written between Sept. 2 and 14. "*Ticonderoga*" spent a month at Cape Town where 31 of the crew (but not Cromwell) deserted for a new life, many heading for the goldfields. Photo.
£400-£500

### The British Post Office Duplex continued



371 
1880 (Jan. 9) envelope underpaid to Switzerland "via Brindisi" bearing India 1a. (minor ink stain), 4a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex, carried on the S.S. Zambesi with Aden Jan. 22 and Milan Feb. 3 transit datestamps, charged "T" in circle with ms. "deficit 60 cents", probably due to overweight, and added Swiss 20c. (fault) and 100c. postage dues cancelled at Davos Feb. 5. Ex Rossiter and Seaton. Photo.



372 
1880 (Jan. 11) J. Meyer envelope to Hamburg "via Brindisi" at 3a. rate franked India 1a., 2a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex, carried on the S.S. Zambesi with Aden Jan. 22 and Feb. 4 arrival datestamps on reverse. Ex Sturton. Photo.



373 🗷 1880 (Aug. 25) attractive 4½a. single letter rate reduction cover from Walter Thompson serving with the Eastern & South African Telegraph Company (imprint on flap) sent to his wife in London franked India ½a., 4a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex with Sept. 16 red London Paid arrival, backstamped Aden Sept. 2 transit. Photo.

£400-£500



374 
1881 (Feb. 6) J. Meyer envelope registered to Hamburg "via Brindisi" at 7a. rate franked India 1a., 6a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex and with German receiving registration label, showing on the reverse Zanzibar second type boxed registration handstamp, "JM" red wax seals, Aden Feb. 17, Sea Post Office E (S.S. Ravenna) and Mar. 7 arrival c.d.s's. Only six examples of the registration handstamp are recorded. Ex Knight. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 60. Photo.



375 
1881 (Mar. 7) cover addressed to Cutch Mandvi, India franked on reverse at 3a. rate by India 1a., 2a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex with framed "T.P.O. ENQUIRY OFFICE/BOMBAY/N. MAR21", Sea Post Office A (S.S. Rosetta) and Mandvi Mar. 27 arrival datestamps, slightly foreshortening at right as is usual from this correspondence. The duplex shows broken "H" in "BRITISH", known to have developed in July 1880 and thus proving this cover's year of sending. Photo.



376 🗷 1881 (Apr. 8) attractive 4½a. single letter rate cover sent by Helen, wife of British Consul-General and noted naturalist John Kirk, franked India ½a with 1a. strip of four cancelled by British P.O. duplex (showing broken "H") with Sept. 16 red London Paid arrival, backstamped Aden Apr. 17 transit and Shrewsbury May 2 arrival. Ex Knight. Photo.

### The British Post Office Duplex continued





377 
■ 1882 (Feb. 10) small mourning envelope to Paris with enclosed calling card of Emmanuel Salavy, sent at 3a. rate franked by India 1a., 2a. cancelled by British P.O. duplex with Mar. 4 red Modane à Paris c.d.s. alongside, backstamped Aden Feb. 20 transit. Photo.

£180-£200

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■ 1882 (June 23) India 1½a. stationery card addressed to Constantinople, cancelled by British P.O. duplex with Aden July 3, Sea Post Office B (S.S. Surat) and July 28 Austrian P.O. arrival datestamps alongside, Suez, Alexandria and Naples transit c.d.s's on reverse. Ex Rossiter. Photo.





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#### The Indian Post Office 1882 to 1895



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- Collection of cancellations on India adhesives, incl. multiples and some on small pieces, a comprehensive range with "B" in square of bars duplexes incl. complete strike on 1a. with 8a., "B" in circle of bars duplexes, 4 bar squared circles on values to 1r., missing year on values to 8a., 3 bar squared circles on values to 12a. Venetian red (2)1r. (3) with 2a.6p. block of four, Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s;s on values to 12a. (3), 1r. (2), Official ½a., hatched circle c.d.s's on values to 1r. (2), mainly good to fine. (approx. 105 items)
- 380 

  1883 L.M.S. missionary mail envelope addressed to the Society in London franked at 4½a. rate by India ½a., 2a. pair tied by two strikes of the scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller (in use from Oct. 1882 to Sept. 1884 only) of Nov. 15 with Nov. 19 Bombay Outw. and hooded arrival c.d.s. of Dec. 13 on reverse. Ex Rowell. Photo.
- 381 (Mar. 30) large cover to Scotland "Via Brindisi", franked at 4½a. rate by India ½a., 4a. tied by the scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller (in use from Oct. 1882 to Sept. 1884 only) and violet two line "SCHARRER TIEDE & CO/ZANZIBAR" with additional strike below, backstamped Aden Apr. 7 and Glasgow arrival of Apr. 24. Ex Danson and Rossiter. Photo.
- 382 

  1883 or 1884, cover to India by private ship bearing India ½a. tied by the scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller (in use from Oct. 1882 to Sept. 1884 only) of Mar. 31 and showing fine boxed "BOMBAY/SHIP LETTER/POSTAGE DUE 1 an.", the 1a. ship bounty to the ship's master being paid by the addressee, with Bombay Inw. and Mundra arrival datestamps of Apr. 12 and 16 respectively on reverse. Ex Frenkle and Knight. Photo.

£350-£400

- 383 № 1883 (Oct. 29) India ½a. blue stationery envelope, late use and unusually registered to India bearing ½a. and 4a. on reverse paying packet rate + registration with "ZANZIBAR/B" duplex, registration handstamp, carried on the S.S. *Cathay* with transit and Jamnagar arrival datestamps, slight faults. Photo. £100-£120
- 384 № 1884 French missionary mail cover to France franked at foreign rate by India 3a. tied by scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller (in use from Oct. 1882 to Sept. 1884 only) of June 9 with octagonal "POSS. AN/21/JUIN/84/PAQ. FR. T No. 2" of the S.S. *Calédonien* below, backstamped Aden June 20 and Lyon July 3 arrival. Photo.

£300-£350



385 ■ 1884 missionary mail cover to Cardiff, sent June 29 from the U.M.C.A. Mission at Magila, endorsed "Via Brindisi" and carried by messenger to Pangani, franked at 4½a. rate by India 1a.6p. and 3a. individually tied by the scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller of July 11 with July 21 Bombay Inw. and arrival c.d.s. of Aug. 11 on reverse. Photo.



#### The Indian Post Office Duplex 1882 to 1895 continued

- 386 ☑ 1884 cover to jewellers Fischer & Co. in Port Elizabeth, sent July 9 franked by India 8a. dated by manuscript "7/8" and tied by fine strike of the scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller with Durban Aug. 11 transit and Aug. 15 arrival backsatamps. Photo. £250-£300
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   1884 (Aug. 4) underpaid mourning envelope to England bearing India 4a. tied by the scarce "B" in circle of bars third type canceller with "T" in circle below, endorsed "via Brindisi" and backstamped Aden Aug. 16, Sea Post Office F (S.S. Assam) and Tunbridge Wells Aug. 31 arrival. Ex Sturton. Photo.
- 388 ☑ 1884 (Dec. 24) cover registered to Muscat showing "R" in circle, framed "ZANZIBAR" registration handstamp and "BOMBAY/SHIP LETTER/POSTAGE DUE 1 an." for ship letter fee, franked on reverse by India 1a. (4) tied by Zanzibar squared circles (4 bars), Bombay Inw. Jan. 8 and Muscat Jan. 18 datestamps alongside. Ex Knight. Photo. £200-£250
- 389 
  1885 (Oct. 26) local rate cover addressed to Gustav Denhardt at Lamu prior to establishment of the post office there in 1888, carried on the Abysinnia and franked by India 1a. tied by Zanzibar squared circle (4 bars). Ex MacMillan. In 1885 the brothers Denhardt negotiated a treaty with Ahmed ibn Fumo Bakar, Sultan of Witu, under the terms of which 25 square miles of territory were ceded to the brothers' "Tana Company", the remainder of the area becoming the German Protectorate of Wituland (Deutsch-Witu) with Gustav as the German Resident and his brother as deputy. On July 1st 1890, in accord with the Heligoland–Zanzibar Treaty, Germany renounced its protectorate, ceding Wituland to Great Britain in exchange for Heligoland, despite strong protests from the local inhabitants, who wished to remain under Germany's protection. The brothers were compensated by an indemnity of 150,000 Goldmark but were lucky to escape from an angry mob and both later died back in Germany. Photo.

£250-£300

390 🗷 1887 (Dec. 20) envelope to Germany "p. S.S. Mecca" franked 3a. orange tied by squared circle (3 bars), backstamped Sea Post Office B (S.S. Malwa) Dec. 30, Aden Jan. 3 and Hamburg arrival of Jan. 16. Ex Siebentritt. Photo.

£120-£150

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  1889 to 1895, selection of covers, cards etc. variously franked and addressed with squared or hatched circle cancellations incl. 1891 to France at 3a. rate, 1894 to Lamu and 1895 to Surrey franked 2a.6p. postal stationery incl. ½a. wrapper used 1895 to Saadani with added ½a., ½a. envelope locally addressed in 1894, 1½a. postcard used 1889 to Germany and 1892 to France, 2a.6p. on 4a.6p. envelope 1892 to Germany and 1893 to Bombay. (9 items)
- Mail by private vessel, 1889 (Sept. 16) envelope to India bearing 2a. tied by Zanzibar fine squared circles (3 bars) with framed "BOMBAY/SHIP LETTER/POSTAGE DUE 1AN." possibly applied in error, 1885 and 1888 incoming covers, the first bearing ½a. (4) cancelled by "JA 16" squared circles (4 bars) without year date, the second underpaid bearing ½a. with squared circle (3 bars) and framed "SHIP LETTER/POSTAGE DUE 1ANS", usual foreshortening one side. (3 items) £120-£150
- 393 
  1890 (Jan. 3) India ½a. stationery envelope to Berlin uprated by 1a. and 1a.6p. to pay 3a. rate to Europe, cancelled by neat squared circles (3 bars), carried on the S.S. Amazone with octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE /3/JANV/90/L.V. No. 3", backstamped Jan. 23 arrival and locally redirected. Addressed to Kuno Freiherr von Bülow and with Freiherrn von Bülow family paper seals on reverse, believed to be in the hand of author Frieda Sophie Luise Freiin von Bülow (1857-1909) shortly before her return to Germany with malaria. Photo.
  £200-£250
- 394 1890 (Jan. 30) envelope of the Commander in Chief, East Indies addressed to Lord Reay, Governor of Bombay by Admiral the Hon. Sir Edmund Fremantle from H.M.S. *Boadicea* and signed at lower left, franked by India 1a. strip of three tied by Zanzibar squared circles (3 bars) and red pencil line. Photo.
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  1890 (June 23) envelope at foreign rate addressed to Clemens Denhardt at Lamu shortly after the establishment of the I.B.E.A. Co. post office in May 1890, franked by India 3a. tied by Zanzibar squared circle (3 bars) with O'Swald & Co. violet firm's cachet (on both sides) and carried to Mombasa on the *Africa*, the cover annotated and initialled by Denhardt. Photo.
  £180-£200



#### The Indian Post Office Duplex 1882 to 1895 continued

- 396 ☑ 1891 (Mar. 30) India 4a.6p. stationery envelope registered to Paris with added India 1a. to pay 5½a. rate, cancelled by fine first type Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s's with large "R" in circle and carried on the *Pei-Ho* with octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/L.V. No. 2" datestamp of Apr. 3, attractive. Photo. £200-£250
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  1891 (Oct. 12) double weight envelope to London endorsed "Per Mozambique"/via Aden" but underpaid at single rate by India 1891 2½a. on 4a.6p. unusually tied by Zanzibar squared circle (3 bars) with "T" in circle alongside, charged on arrival by two strikes of large "5D./F.B." and with fine early strike of Aden Oct. 19 (Proud D24) transit on reverse. Ex Walkley. Photo.
- 398 
   1892 (June 9) single rate to German East Africa, envelope franked India ½a., 2a. with fine Zanzibar squared circle (3 bars) cancellations and Dar-es-Salaam Kaiserl. Deutsche Postagentur June 9 arrival on reverse. Ex Sturton. Photo.

  £120-£150
- 399 1892 (Sept. 12) Forwood Bros. & Co. envelope "Via Aden" to Lisbon franked India ½a., 1a. pair with Zanzibar squared circle (3 bars) cancellations with red "LIGNE T/PAQ. FR. No. 3" octagonal datestamp of Sept. 21 alongside, carried on the S.S. Australien. Ex MacMillan. Photo.
- 400 № 1892 (Dec. 2) double rate envelope to Hamburg franked India ½a. pair, 2a. (2) with Zanzibar squared circle (3 bars) cancellations and carried on the S.S. *Amazone* with fine "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/L/V. No.3" octagonal datestamp of Dec. 4 at left, flap missing. Photo.
- 401 № 1893 (Aug. 30) Hanzing & Co. envelope registered to Berlin endorsed via the S.S. *Kanzler* on the Hamburg-Round Africa service, franked India 1a. pair, 2a.6p. tied by first type Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s's with "R" in circle and Sept. 17 arrival backstamp. Ex MacMillan. Photo.
- 402 
  1893 (Sept. 27) India 2a. registered envelope size F, pre-cancelled on June 14, sent by D.O.A. Linie Agent Capt. N.J. Hundewadt to Blankenese, Germany with added ½a. (2), 1a. (4) tied by first type Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s's, carried on the *Reichstag* with octagonal Ligne N Oct. 9 datestamp, slightly trimmed and opened for display. Photo.

£100-£120

- 403 № 1893 (Nov. 16) India 2a. registered envelope, scarce size J, sent at 7 x 2½a. rate to Belgium with added India ½a., 1a., 8a. (2) cancelled fine first type Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s's with Brussels Dec. 9 transit and next day Ghent arrival on reverse. Photo. £200-£250
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  1900 incoming envelope endorsed "Per S.S. "Setos" (of the Deutsch Ostafrikanische Hauptlinie from Bombay) with large framed "PAQUEBOT" and bearing India 1a. brown-purple cancelled on arrival by Zanzibar Feb. 7 squared circle. Photo.

  £100-£120
- 405 № 1903 incoming envelope with later endorsement "S.S. Sultan" (of the Deutsch Ostafrikanische Hauptlinie from Bombay) with large framed "PAQUEBOT" and bearing India 1a. carmine cancelled by ms. cross and Zanzibar Mar. 4 squared circle. Photo.



#### The French Post Office 1889 to 1894



- 406 1889 early cover to Germany carried on the S.S. Mendoza "via Marseille" franked France 25c. pair tied by "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/3/FEVR/89/L.V. No. 4" octagonal datestamp in red with Baumann/Zanzibar and Hansing & Co. cachets, Schweinfurt Feb. 25 arrival backstamp, slight faults. Also Messageries Maritimes coloured p.c. unused. The French Post Office in Zanzibar had opened in Jan. 1889. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 80. Photo.
- French postal stationery selection used from Zanzibar, all to Germany, comprising 1889 (June 1) 10c. violet card early use, carried on S.S. *Mendoza* second voyage, 1890 (Dec. 3) 25c. lettercard with Ligne V No. 2 d.s., 1892 (Mar. 14) 15c. envelope, small format, with added 1c., 4c. and 30c. for registered use, (Sept. 28) 15c. envelope, large format, with 15c. and 20c. added for registered use, 1894 (May 3) 10c. buff card sent from S.M.S. *See Adler* and carried on the S.S. *Pei-Ho* with Ligne V No.2 d.s. (5 items) £250-£300
- 408 № 1889 (Dec. 3) to 1891 (Dec. 4) six covers franked by France 25c. to England or Germany with Ligne V transit datestamps, sent from Zanzibar except one from passenger on board the S.S. *Amazone* with L.V. No. 3 d.s.), the first at 50c. registered rate, others at single (3, one addressed to mother of Charles Calvert Bowring) or double (2) letter rates.
- 410 \( \text{13} \) 1890 (Mar. 26) envelope sent registered to Marseille at 1f.75 six-times letter rate franked France 75c. and 1f., tied by good to fine c.d.s's with Modane à Paris Apr. 11 transit in red and next day arrival backstamp, scarce rate. Ex Walkley. Photo.
- 411 1890 (Nov. 7) envelope with crest of H.M.S. *Boadicea* unusually addressed to England bearing five colour franking of France 1c., 2c., 3c., 4c. and 15c. paying 25c. rate with London Dec. 2 arrival backstamp. *The "Boadicea", flagship of Commander-in-Chief of the East Indies station between 1888 and 1891, Admiral Hon. Sir Edmund Robert Fremantle, was based at Zanzibar.* Photo. £200-£250
- 412 \( \) 1891 (May 5) cover franked 25c. to Philadelphia, U.S.A., two covers to Germany sent 1891 (Aug. 29) at 25c. rate and 1894 (June 10) at 75c. treble rate, both carried by R.P.D. *Reichstag*, also 1890 cover from Mozambique to Switzerland with scarce Zanzibar Aug. 29 ttransit c.d.s. in red. (4 covers)

  £140-£160
- 413 

  1893 (Feb. 4) France 15c. stationery envelope uprated by 30c. (2) for registered use, addressed to M.O. Anton, German Consul in Zanzibar whilst at Goerlitz, Germany, carried on the S.S. Sindh with red Ligne V octagonal d.s., 1894 (Dec. 19) cover with paper seal of German Consulate, registered to Austria franked 75c. with Ligne N transit d.s., the latter cover ex Knight. (2 covers)

## The French Post Office: 1894 - 95 Surcharged Issue





Ex 416

- 414
- 414 ▲ 2½a. on 25c. used with France 75c. single and block of four on piece tied by "ZANZIBAR/25/OCT/94" c.d.s's, scarce mixed franking paying 4f. rate. Signed A. Diena and with Weid certificate (1990) Photo. £150-£200
- Mint selection comprising ½a. on 5c. vermilion surcharge (6, incl. a block of four), carmine surcharge (5, incl. a block), 1a. on 10c. (2), 1½a. on 15c. "ANNAS" (3, one with faults), 2a. on 20c. (5, incl. a block), 2½a. on 25c. (3, incl. millésime 5 pair), 3a. on 30c. (2, one millésime 5 single with corner fault), 4a. on 40c. block of four, 5a. on 50c. pair, 10a. on 1f. (2), odd minor gum thin otherwise chiefly fine. (34)

  £200-£250
- 416 O Used selection comprising ½a. on 5c. (both surcharge colours), 1a. on 10c. (2), 1½a. on 15c. (both), 2a. on 20c. (2, one on piece), 2½a. on 25c., 3a. on 30c. (2), 4a. on 40c. to 10a. (both), 50a. on 5f., with additional 5a. on 50c. and 7½a. on 75c. cancelled by Ligne V No. 3 (S.S. *Djemnah*) octagonal datestamp. Photo.
- 417 ⊞ R 1900 Paris Exposition Universelle, reproductions on Bristol pasteboard with simulated perforations of 1894-95 set of eleven and 1896 "ZANZIBAR" eleven values to 50a. on 5f. incl. unissued 7½a. on 75c., each in an upper left corner block of four. (22 blocks) £200-£250



- 418 1894 (Feb. 17) and 1895 (Dec. 3) covers to Hamburg both franked by ½a. on 5c. and 1a. on 10c. pair and with Wm. O'Swald & Co. cachet on reverse, the first (ex Walkley) showing very early use of the surcharges, carried by R.P.D. *Reichstag* to Aden and thence via Ligne N with octagonal d.s., the second with Ligne V No. 1 (S.S. *Irouaddy*) d.s. Photo.
- 419 ☑ 1894 (July 7) to Paris via Aden with Ligne N (S.S. *Océanien*) d.s., (Dec. 3) addressed by U.S. Consul James W. Allen to Wisconsin, 1895 (Jan. 2) to Aden, three covers franked by 2½a. by 25c. £100-£120

### The French Post Office: 1894 - 95 Surcharges continued



- 420 ⋈ 1895 (Aug. 27) double rate envelope to Kilwa, German East Africa franked 5a. on 50c. with Sept. 2 arrival backstamp, attractive. Photo. £150-£180
- 421 🗷 1896 (Sept. 14) rare use of German 10pf. reply card returned registered to Germany the 2½a. registration fee paid by ½a. on 5c. (3), 1a. on 10c., with Dijon, Modane à Paris and Bühl Oct. 4 arrival datestamps. Photo. £300-£350
- 422 № 1896 (Dec. 8) at registered double rate to France bearing ½a. on 5c., 3a. on 30c. and 4a. on 40c., with Ligne V No. 3 (S.S. *Pei-Hoi*) octagonal d.s. and Valenciennes Dec. 31 arrival on reverse. Photo. £200-£250
- 423 \(\infty\) 1897 (Sept. 4) envelope (flap missing) registered to Metz (then Deutsches Lothringen) showing latest recorded use of framed "R" in red, franked at double rate by 2a. on 20c., 2½a. on 25c., 3a. on 30c. and with Ligne V No. 3 (S.S. Oxus) d.s., also (Mar. 8) cover front bearing 5a. on 50c. (2 items) £200-£250



## The French Post Office: 1894 (Mar.) Local Surcharges



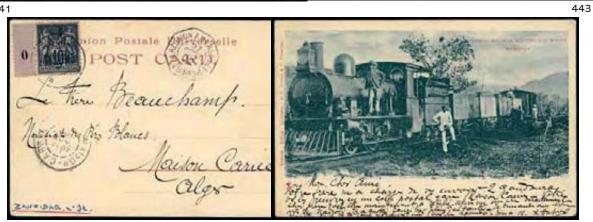
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- 424 ★ ½a. and 5 on 1c. mint, 1a. and 10 on 3c. mint, 2½a. and 25 on 4c. types F (thinned on reverse) and H unused, 5a. and 50 on 20c. mint and part o.g. examples, 10a. and 1Fr. on 40c. mint (thins on reverse), mainly fine appearance. (7) Photo. £200-£250
- 425 ★ 2½a. and 25c. on 4c. mint block of 25 showing the complete surcharge setting comprising types F (16), G (4), H (3) and I (2), some perf. reinforcement, chiefly fine. Ex Walkley. Photo. £1,500-£2,000
- 426 O Small used selection comprising 1a. and 10 on 3c. (2) cancelled Mar. 16 (first day of issue) and Mar. 23 respectively, 2½a. and 25 on 4c. Mar. 15, 10a. and 1Fr. on 40c. Mar. 19, odd pulled perf. otherwise chiefly fine. (4) Photo. £300-£350
- 427 ▲ 10a. and 1f. on 40c. tied to piece by "30/MARS/94" c.d.s., fine. S.G. 19. Photo. £200-£250



428 ■ 1894 (Mar. 15) envelope registered to Ipswich franked by 5a. and 50 on 20c. showing spaced "AR" in "ZANZIBAR", with framed "R" handstamp in red, Modane à Paris, Paris à Calais and London Apr. 10 transit datestamps. A cover of the greatest rarity from the first day of use, one day earlier than recorded by Gibbons. Photo also on inside back cover. £2,000-£2,500





## The French Post Office: 1896 - 1900 "ZANZIBAR" Surcharges

- 429 ★ Mint selection incl. set to 50a. on 5f. (3) with shades, with surcharge types, carmine surcharges, shades, misplacements incl. 50a. on 5f. with "ZANZIBAR" much misplaced (faults), etc., most fine. (39) £200-£250
- 430 O Used selection incl. set to 50a. on 5f. (3) with surcharge types, carmine surcharges etc., chiefly fine. (35) £200-£250
- 431 1897 (July) Supplementary printing, "ZANZIBAR" added to previously surcharged stamps, selection mint to 50a. on 5f. incl. 1a. on 10c. marginal block of four with overprint much misplaced, 2a. on 20c. "ZANZIBAR" triple, and used to 10a. on 1f. (2), chiefly fine. (22) Photo on page 106.
- 432 \( \) 1897 (Dec. 9) cover registered to Neuilly-sur-Seine franked 5a. on 50c., 1900 (May 25) cover to Le Havre franked at 2½a. single rate by ½a. on 5c. (additionally tied by Ligne U No. 3 (S.S. *Yangtze*) octagonal d.s.) and 2a. on 20c. (2 covers)
- 433 ★ 1897 (Dec. 27) 'Scheithauer' cover registered to Dresden bearing 2½a. on 25c. with 1897 supplementary overprinting 11½a. on 15c. (2) and 2a. on 20c., with Ligne U No. 2 octagonal d.s. (S.S. *Pei-Ho*) paying 7½a. registered double rate, Jan. 16 arrival on reverse. Photo.
- 434 № 1898 to 1902, interesting selection comprising 1898 (Jan. 20) Deutscher Club envelope with Wm. O'Swald & Co. cachet registered to Cairo franked ½a. on 25c. (2), (July 15) 'Ennio Alamanni' envelope registered to France franked 5a. on 50c., (Dec. 28) 'André Farre' envelope to Mauritius (ex Walkley) mixed franking of 1a. on 10c. (2) with 1894-95 ½a. on 5c., 1899 (July 29) to Madagascar franked ½a. on 25c., and 1902 (May 26) to Heidelberg bearing ½a. on 5c. (both shades) and 1½a. on 15c. (5 covers)
- 435 ☑ 1899 (Jan. 13) registered to Beauvais franked by 5a. on 50c., 1900 (Feb. 20) to Grenoble with ½a. on 5c. (2), 4a. on 40c., (Sept. 28) Messageries Maritimes envelope to Beauvais bearing ½a. on 5c., 1a. on 10c. (1897 supplementary overprinting) and 2a. on 20c. (3 covers) £140-£160
- 436 ☑ 1899 (Mar. 12) envelope registered to France at double rate bearing 2½a. on 25c. and 5a. on 50c., with Jouy-en-Josas Apr. 5 arrival on reverse. Photo. £120-£150
- 437 
   1899 (Nov. 26) cover registered to Germany franked 1a. on 10c. ("N" under "U") and 4a. on 40c. with Ligne U No. 3 transit (S.S. *Natal*) and Herrnhut Dec. 16 arrival backstamp) £100-£120
- Consular mail, 1900 (Sept. 7) registered to St. Germain-en-Laye endorsed from sender c/o French Consulate in Johannesburg, and 1903 (Sept. 21) registered to Vienna with Austrian Consider cachet on reverse, two covers franked 2a. on 20c., 3a. on 30c., 1902 (Sept. 27) Consulat de France envelope to Lyon franked 2½a. on 25c. (3 covers)
- 439 ☑ 1900 (Nov. 27) to Majunga, Madagascar franked ½a. on 5c., 2a. on 20c. and 1901 (Sept. 21) Messageries Maritimes envelope to Dar-es-Salaam with 2½a. on 25c., both ex Siebentritt, and 1901 (Oct. 3) registered to Leipzig bearing ½a. on 5c. (2), 1a. on 10c. marginal block of four. (3 covers) £150-£180
- 440 № 1901 (Sept. 26) envelope registered to Djibouti franked by 5a. on 50c. showing damaged "5" in surcharge, with framed "R" and Ligne U No. 2 (S.S. Oxus) transit datestamp. Ex Walkley. Photo.
- 441 № 1901 (Nov. 27) 'Jivanjee' printed envelope to Mayotte at double rate franked by ½a. on 5c. yellow-green (2) and 2a. on 20c. (2), endorsed per S.S. *Oxus* and with Ligne U No. 2 octagonal transit, a few minor stains and slightly trimmed at left as usual. Photo.
- 442 № 1902 (Sept. 20) 'White Fathers' Mission mail, p.p.c. of Uganda Railway (the sender being en route to the Uganda Mission) to Algiers with Ligne U No. 2 (S.S. *Yangtse*) transit and Maison Carrée Oct. 16 arrival. Photo.

  £120-£150
- 443 
   1903 (Jan. 19) cover to Italy bearing 1a. on 10c. ("N" under "B") used with 1902-03 4a. on 40c. to pay registered rate with Schio Feb. 13 arrival backstamp. Scarce mixed issue franking. Photo.

  £200-£250



# The French Post Office: 1897 Postage Dues

Duplicated selection incl. set to 5a. on 50c. mint and used (2), chiefly fine. (25)

£100-£120

445 ■ 1899 incoming French 15c. lettercard sent Mar. 8 from Lyon addressed poste restante at Zanzibar with "T" in triangle charge mark and bearing 1a. on 10c. (2) and 5a. on 50c. tied by Zanzibar Mar. 28 c.d.s's. Very few examples of these postage dues on cover are recorded. Photo.

### The French Post Office: 1897 (July) Local Surcharges



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■ 1897 (July 25) small cover registered to Versailles, France bearing "2½ 25c." on ½a. on 50c., two examples individually cancelled, one showing thin numeral (Yvert 32i), the other thick numeral (32h), with framed "R" in red, Aug. 21 arrival backstamps. Signed Calves. These rare local provisionals were authorised by consular order on July 20 to service three overseas mails. Photo.

£1,500-£2,000

### The French Post Office: 1902 - 03 Surcharges

- 447 ★ 3a. on 30c. mauve irregular mint block of eight, the centre stamp showing "5 ANNAS" error, tone spots and/or heavy mounts affect four but the variety fine and unmounted. Photo. £120-£150
- Selection with set mint and additional shades to 20a. on 2f., and set used to 20a. on 2f. (2), 50a. on 5f. (2), chiefly fine. (37)
- 449 
   1902 (Dec. 26) cover to Germany franked 5a. on 50c. paying registered rate on carried on S.S. *Melbourne* with Ligne U Dec. 27 octagonal d.s. and Jan. 15 Heidelberg arrival backstamp. Photo. £180-£200
- 450 1902 (Dec. 27) J.B. Raphael envelope to Switzerland, mixed issue franking of ½a. on 5c. used with 1896-1900 2a. on 20c., showing Ligne U No. 2 (S.S. *Melbourne*) transit and Bex Jan. 14 arrival backstamp. Photo. £120-£150
- 451 
   1903 (Jan. 27) p.p.c. of village shop addressed to "Miss A. Gibbons/U.M.C.A. Magila/Tanga/G.E. Africa", mixed issue franking of ½a. on 5c. with 1896-1900 ½a. on 5c., endorsed "S.S. Kanzler" for carriage on the German steamer. Photo.
- 452 1903 (Apr. 25) 2a. on 10c. used on small ½a. on 5c. stationery envelope to Germany, 1904 (Apr. 11) double rate cover to Paris franked 5a. on 50c. endorsed "Per S.S. "Koerber" of the Austrian-Lloyd service, (July 21, 10 days before closing of P.O.) 2½a. on 25c. pair franking 'André Farre' envelope registered to Reims. (3 covers)

£150-£200

- 453 1903 (Oct. 28) cover at registered double rate to Dr. B.F. Wilson, American proprietor of the Patsy Estate, Johanna Island (Anjouan), endorsed from the Chief Engineer of the S.S. *Barava*, franked on both sides by mixed issue franking of 1896-1900 2a. on ½a. on 5c. strips of four and singles (2, one additionally tied Ligne U No. 2 datestamp), minor cover faults but most unusual. Photo.
- 454 
   1904 (July 26) envelope registered to Marseille carried on the last mail of the Messageries Maritimes monthly mail service with mixed issue franking of 2a. on 20c. with 1896-1900 3a. on 30c., Ligne U No. 2 (S.S. *Djemnah*) transit and Aug. 13 arrival backstamp. Photo.

# The French Post Office: 1902 – 03 Surcharges continued



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  1904 (July 26) Messageries Maritimes envelope bearing 2a. on 20c. and 3a. on 30c. paying 5a. registered rate, addressed to passenger en route to Djibouti, carried on the last mail of the monthly mail service with same day Ligne V No. 2 (S.S. *Djemnah*) octagonal d.s. and Aug. 2 arrival on reverse. Ex Siebentritt. Photo. 

  £100-£120
- 456 № 1903 (Sept. 4) Austro-Hungarian Consulate envelope to Vienna with mixed issue franking of 1a. on 10c. used with 1896-1900 1½a. on 15c., lightly struck consular cachet and Sept. 27 arrival on reverse. Photo. £180-£200
- 457 № 1904 (July 31) 1a. on 10c.+1a. on 10c.stationery reply paid card with added 2½a. on 25c., registered to Ajaccio, Corsica (redirected to Pietrosella) by M.A. Mannoni, Director of Posts at the French P.O., with Aug. 28 receiving backstamp. Photo.

### The French Post Office: 1904 (July) Local Surcharges







- 458 O "25c 2½" on 4a. on 40c. red on yellow, fine used. Signed Calves and with B.P.A. certificate (1999) S.G. 65. Only 150 printed. Photo.
- 459 ▲ "50 5" on 3a. on 30c. cinnamon, fine used on piece. Roumet certificate (1976) S.G. 66. Only 100 printed. Photo. £350-£400
- 460 ▲ "50 5" on 4a. on 40c. red on yellow, fine used on piece. Roumet certificate (1976) S.G. 67. Only 100 printed. Photo. £350-£400





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461 ▲ "1fr 10" on 3a. on 30c. cinnamon, fine used on piece. Signed Calves. S.G. 68. Only 50 printed. Photo.

£600-£700

462 ▲ "1fr 10" on 4a. on 40c. red on yellow, fine used on piece. Signed Calves. S.G. 69. Only 50 printed. Photo.

£600-£700

Selection comprising "2 25" on ½a. on 5c. (2, one on piece), "25c/2½ on 1a. on 10c. (2, one with thinned corner) and five forgeries of the provisionals. (9)



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- 464 ★ "2 25" on ½a. on 5c. green horizontal pair used on 1904 (July 22) cover registered to Ajaccio, Corsica (redirected to Pietrosella) by M.A. Mannoni, Director of Posts at the French P.O., with Pilacanale Aug. 15 receiving backstamp, horizontal cover fold at foot well clear. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 91. Photo.
  £200-£250
- 465 ☑ "25c/12½" on 1a. on 10c. carmine horizontal pair used on 1904 (July 22) cover registered to Ajaccio, Corsica (redirected to Pietrosella) by M.A. Mannoni, Director of Posts at the French P.O., with Pilacanale Aug. 15 receiving backstamp. Ex Knight. Illustrated in *Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy* by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 92. Photo.

£200-£250

**French Post Office: Late use of French stamps**, 1904 (July 26) single rate Messageries Maritimes envelope to Djibouti franked France Sower 10c., 15c., (July 31) scarce registered use of Sower 10c. (2) and 15c. (2) on cover to Corsica, the latter last day and ex Walkley. Due to diminuition of official issues French stamps were approved on the last two mailings prior to the closing of the French P.O. on July 31. Photo. £250-£300

# The German Post Office



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1890 (Sept. 2) German 10pf. stationery card to Erfurt, Germany with superb strike of "ZANZIBAR/KAISERL.

DEUTSCHE/POSTAGENTUR/ 2/9/90" German Zanzibar c.d.s. in deep blue with dated message and Sept. 21 arrival datestamp. A very early date, the office having on Aug. 27 and this cancellation colour known for around six weeks. Ex Siebentritt. Steuer certificate (1995). Photo.

£1,000-£1,200



468 ■ 1890 (Oct. 3) registered cover to Berlin franked at double rate by 1889-1900 20pf. pair and single tied by German Zanzibar c.d.s's in grey-black, additional strike and original registration label at left, Oct. 24 arrival backstamp, some toning and horizontal fold. Ex Newman and Fischer. Photo. £500-£600



469 ■ 1890 (Oct. 11) German 10pf. stationery card addressed by postmaster Wilhelm Steinhagen to his family in Schwerin, Germany with superb German Zanzibar c.d.s. in black (an early example of this colour) with further strike and Nov. 3 arrival datestamp at left, vertical fold. Steuer handstamp on reverse. Photo. £400-£500



470 ■ 1891 (Jan. 4) attractive cover with 40pf. double rate three colour franking to Hamburg, Germany "p. Reichstag via Neapel" with 5pf. pair, 10pf. and 30pf. tied by German Zanzibar c.d.s's, with Wm. O'Swald & Co. double oval cachet and Feb. 2 arrival on reverse. Steuer certificate (1999). Photo.



471 № 1891 (Feb. 25) clean registered double rate cover to Berlin franked by 20pf. (3) with four strikes of German Zanzibar c.d.s. and printed registration label, backstamped Mar. 23 arrival. With Bothe handstamp and Steuer certificate (2014). Photo. £350-£400



472 🗷 1891 (Apr. 1) double rate traders' mail cover to Wiesbaden, Germany franked by 20pf. vertical pair tied by two fine strikes of German Zanzibar c.d.s., backstamped Apr. 21 arrival, vertical fold. Steuer certificate (2014). Photo. £300-£350



#### The German Post Office continued



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473 ▲ "ZANZIBAR/KAISERL. DEUTSCHE/POSTAGENTUR/ 4/4/91" c.d.s's, tying 1890-91 "REICHSPOST" 50pf. chocolate lower marginal pair to piece, with Bothe handstamps on reverse, fine. S.G. Z20. Photo also on page 1.

£250-£300

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  1891 (Apr. 25) double rate consular mail cover to Villach, Austria franked by 10pf. (4) tied by individual strikes of German Zanzibar c.d.s., with May 17 arrival and "KAISERLICH DEUTSCHES KONSULAT/(arms)/IN ZANZIBAR" paper seal on reverse. Ex Fischer and Knight. Steuer certificate (1994). Photo.
- 475 \( \) 1891 (June 2) envelope unusually to England franked 20pf. (2) cancelled by three strikes of German Zanzibar c.d.s. with octagonal "LA REUNION A MARSEILLE/3/JUIN/91/L.V. No. 4" (S.S. Rio Grande) datestamp and London June 21 arrival on reverse. Addressed to Charles Calvert Bowring (1872-1945) who had moved to East Africa to become auditor for the East Africa Protectorate and the Uganda Railway in 1899. He became successively Treasurer, Chief Secretary and Acting Governor for the Protectorate and Governor of Nyasaland from 1924 to 1929. Ex Walkley. Photo.
- 476 
   1891 (June 8) single rate cover originating from Lamu sent by to by Denhardt & Co. manager Richard Tiede endorsed "frco" franked by 20pf. (4) tied by strikes of German Zanzibar c.d.s., addressed to Clemens Denhardt in Jlmenau, Germany and redirected to Bremen with receiving annotations, arrival backstamps of July 14 and 15. Photo.

  £300-£350
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  1891 (June 22) cover to Freiberg, Germany unusually endorsed "English mail/via Brindisi" and bearing 10pf. (4) tied by German Zanzibar c.d.s's and paying double rate, backstamped July 16 arrival. The S.S. "Madura" of the British India service left Zanzibar on June 23, a day behind schedule, whilst the monthly German vessel, R.P.D. "Bundesrath" was not due to depart until June 30. Photo.

  £300-£350

### Revenues





– Ex 478 -

- 478 C 1892-94 1a. to 50r. set of fourteen colour standards overprinted "ZANZIBAR" on India revenue 'Receipt' (1a.) or 'Special Adhesive' (4a. to 50r.) designs, each handstamped "CANCELLED" (two sizes), mainly fine with gum. Regarded as the 'First Stamps of Zanzibar'. Only a very small number of these colour standards were retained by the Inland Revenue and printers De La Rue. Photo. £800-£1,000
- 479 ▲ 1892-94 "ZANZIBAR" overprint 1a. and 1r. used on 1900 (July 30) contract document tied by Registration Office violet oval datestamps, the document signed by the Registrar and Acting First Minister, also 8a. unused and 5r. on 12a. mint, minor imperfections. £800-£1,000

# 1895 - 96 Overprints on India in Blue







480 O ½a. blue-green showing small raised second "z" and inverted "q" for "b", used, minor faults but rare. Fewer than two dozen examples of the blue overprint are recorded. B.P.A. certificate (1997) S.G. 1E, cat. £5,500. Photo. £1,000-£1,200

481 ▲ 1a. plum, small second "z", tied to piece by "10 JA 96" hatched circle c.d.s., a fine example signed Holcombe on reverse. S.G. 2, cat. £500. Photo. £150-£180

482 ▲ 1a. plum used with black overprint 4a. olive-green, both small second "z", tied to piece by "22 JA 96" hatched circle c.d.s's, fine. Ex Vialou. R.P.S. certificate (1930). S.G. 2, 12, cat. £518. Photo. £150-£180

# 1895 - 96 Overprints on India in Black







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483 ★ 2a. blue, variety overprint double in mint vertical pair, the upper stamp with no serif to "b", the lower with Gothic second "z" and inverted "q" for "b", one or two trivial bends otherwise fine and attractive. S.G. 7m, 7fb. Photo. £300-£350

484 ★ 1r. green and aniline carmine showing overprint vertical reading downwards, mint, fine. Ex Baillie. S.G. 18j, cat. £425. Photo. £120-£140





- 485 ♣ ⊞ 2r. carmine and yellow-brown block of four [R. 2/1-3/2] with font varieties, one with breaks in capital "Z" [R. 2/1], another with antique capital "Z" and normal second "z", unmounted mint with a few trivial wrinkles and a scarce multiple. S.G. 19, A, var. Ex Griffiths-Jones. Photo.
- 486 ★ 3r. brown and green showing dramatic overprint shift to right reading "ar Zanzib", mint with minor paper adhesion, fine. S. G. 20 var. Ex Griffiths-Jones. Photo.
- 487 ★ 3r. brown and green horizontal pair, the left-hand stamp [R. 2/4] showing antique capital "Z", inverted, sans-serif first "a", inverted "r" corrected and normal second "z", the other (vertical bend) with antique "Z" dropped, "r" corrected and normal second "z", large part original gum. S. G. 20A, var. Ex Griffiths-Jones. Photo. £120-£150
- Collection on leaves with a good range of font and other varieties, with set mint to 1r. (2), 3r. (2), 5r. (5, incl. a pair) and some multiples incl. 4a. block of six, 6a. marginal block of four, values to 2r., 3r. used, also some fake overprints, mainly good to fine. (103)

# 1895 - 96 Overprints on India: Covers



- 490
- Postal stationery, selection comprising 2a. registered envelope size F used 1895 (Sept. 12) with added 2a.6p. (small second "z") to Karachi, ¼a. postcard blue overprint used locally 1895 (Dec. 18) and 1896 (July 21), uprated by 'on India' ½a. pair for use to Bavaria carried on the S.S. *Djemnah* with L.V. No. 3 octagonal datestamp, ¼a. black overprint unused, ½a. envelope locally addressed 1896 (May 27), 2a.6p. on 4a.6p. envelope used 1896 (Apr. 1) to Scotland. (7 items)
- 490 1895 (Nov. 21) 2a. registered envelope size F overprinted "Zanzibar" in blue, used from the Bank of Zanzibar (cachet on reverse) to Karachi with added 'on India' ½a., 2a.6p. and 4a. cancelled by Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s's and tied by ms. line with "R" in circle and scarce violet "AR" (avis de réception) in double circle. Carried on the S.S. Pemba to Aden and to Bombay on the S.S. Suttlej with Sea Post Office C transit. One of only seven covers recorded with this "AR" handstamp and very early use of the 'On India' stamps, first issued on Nov. 14. This the earliest recorded date of usage for the overprinted stationery. Photo.
- 491 ≥ 2½a. rate frankings with hatched circle c.d.s. cancellations, 1896 (Jan. 21) to Newcastle on Tyne and (Feb. 11) to London both franked 'on India' ½a., 2a., the latter showing "75" in oval inspector's mark as insufficiently addressed, (Feb. 6) overprinted ½a. stationery envelope with added 2a. used to Lüneberg, Germany, carried on the R.P.D. General. (3 covers)
- 492 ★ "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. blue stationery reply card, blue overprint, outward half used 1895 (Nov. 22, suggested first day of issue) to Hamburg with Aden Nov. 30 transit, "ONE ANNA" on 1½a. postcard used 1896 (Mar. 3) addressed to a doctor on board S.M.S. See Adler at Delagoa Bay and (June 10) to Bavaria with next day L.V. No. 3 octagonal datestamp of the S.S. Djemnah. (3 cards) £150-£180
- 493 
  1896 (Feb. 19) O.H.M.S. envelope registered to wholesale coal merchants Wm. Muir & Son in Montreal, Canada, bearing 'on India' 8a. vertical pair tied by Aden Reg. c.d.s's with "R" in circle and red London Mar. 9 transit, backstamped Aden Feb. 27 and Mar. 20 arrival, the cover foreshortened at both sides. Photo on page 120.

£180-£200



#### 1895-96 Overprints on India: Covers continued

- 494 ☑ 1896 (Apr. 11) envelope of traders Elf, Hörningsholm & Sundsvaal used to Pretoria bearing 'on India' ½a., 1a., 1a.6p., 2a. and 2a.6p. paying treble rate with individual hatched circle c.d.s's, backstamped Durban May 17 transit and May 19 arrival, some creasing. Photo. £200-£250
- 495 \( \text{1896} \) (May 5) cover registered to England franked at 4\( \frac{1}{2} \) a. registered rate by 'on India' 1a.6p. and 3a. cancelled by Zanzibar Reg. c.d.s's and tied by May 24 London transit oval with "R" in circle below, carried on the R.P.D. Bundesrath showing fine red wax seal of Smith, Mackenzie & Co. and Bristol May 25 arrival c.d.s. on reverse. Ex Rowell. Photo.

#### 1895 - 98 Provisionals



- 496 ★ Mainly mint selection comprising 1895 (Nov.) 2½ in red type 2 on 1a.6p., 1896 (May) 2½ in black on 1a. type 3 (unused, slight surface faults), type 4 (minor ink stains), type 5, (Aug.) 2½ in red type 6 on 2a. (2, one with Gothic second "z", (Nov.) 2½ in red type 6 on 1a.6p., 1898 (Jan.) prepared for official purposes 2½ in red on 1a.6p. types 3 and 5, 2½ in red on 2a. types 3 (sweated) and 4, mostly good to fine. (11) £300-£400
- 497 ★ 1895 (Nov.) 2½ type 2 on 1a.6p. sepia "Zanzidar" error [R. 4/6], small part original gum, fine. Ex William Frazer. B.P.A. certificate (1965). S.G. 22j, cat. £1,600. Photo. £400-£500



- 498 ★ 1895 (Nov.) 2½ type 2 on 1a.6p. sepia mint horizontal pair with punched-hole selvedge at foot, the left-hand stamp showing inverted "1" in "½", fine. R.P.S. certificate (2004). S.G. 22, l, cat. £1,175+. Photo. £120-£150
- **1896** (May) 2½ in black on 1a. plum, types 3 (2, one broken "p" for "n", used on piece and with B.P.A. certificate, 1999), 4 and 5, 2½ in black on 2a. pale blue, types 6 and 7, used, the last with vertical crease otherwise chiefly fine. S.G. 23B, 24-27. Photo.
- 500 ★ ⊞ 2½ in black on 1a. plum block of four, the upper pair surcharge type 3 with small second "z", lower pair type 4, mint with light overall gum toning, scarce multiple. Ex Vestey. B.P.A. certificate (2007). S.G. 23, 24. Photo also on back cover.
- 501 ★ ⊞ 1896 (Aug.) 2½ type 6 in red on 2a. blue block of four, the lower right stamp showing inverted "1" in "½", fine mint with the lower pair unmounted. S.G. 26, j, cat. £660+. Photo. £300-£350
- 502 ★  $2\frac{1}{2}$  type 7 in red on 2a. blue, variety "Zanzibar" double, one albino, mint, fine. S.G. 27n, cat. £500. Photo. £150-£180
- 503 ★ 1896 (Nov.) 2½ types 6 and 7 in red se-tenant on 1a.6p. sepia vertical pair, the former with Gothic second "z", mint with light overall gum toning. Ex Knight. S.G. 29F, 30. Photo. £250-£300
- 504 ★ 2½ type 7 in red on 1a.6p. sepia, large part original gum, fine. B.P.A. certificate (1987). S.G. 30, cat. £425. Photo. £120-£150

#### 1895-96 Provisionals continued

- 505 ★ 1898 (Jan.) Prepared for Official Purposes, 2½ in red on 1a. plum horizontal pair, surcharge types 3 and 5 se-tenant, large part original gum, fine. S.G. 32, 34. Photo on page 121. £150-£180
- 506 ★ ⊞ 2½ type 3 in red on 1a.6p. sepia, fine mint block of four. S.G. 35, cat. £360+. Photo on page 121. £120-£140
- 507 O 2½ type 3 in red on 1a.6p., no dot to "i", capital "Z" broken top, etc., used with fine single circle "10 JA/98" c.d.s. S.G. 35, cat. £250+. Photo on page 121. £100-£120
- 508 ★ 2½ in red on 2a. dull blue, fine mint vertical strip of three with two unmounted, the upper pair surcharge type 3 (centre stamp showing antique "r"), the lower stamp type 4, scarce multiple. Ex Knight. S.G. 38, var., 39. Photo on page 121. £200-£250
- 509 ★ 2½ type 5 in red on 2a. dull blue, very fine mint vertical pair. Ex Knight. S.G. 40, cat. £320+. Photo on page 121. £100-£120



### 1896 Overprints on B.E.A. 'Small Queen' Issue

- 510 ★ Mint or unused selection with some font varieties, comprising ½a. pair and block of six, 1a. (6, incl. a block of four), 2½a. (2), 4½a., 5a. (5, incl. a marginal block of four), 7½a. (5, incl. a block of four), some gum paper adhesions otherwise chiefly fine. (27)

  £200-£250
- 511 O ½a. with fine central "23 MY/96" Zanzibar Reg c.d.s., the earliest known date, 4½a. and 7½a. tied to piece by "16 SE" c.d.s's, faint staining, also unoverprinted 'small Queen' B.E.A. 2r. used with Mombasa "MY 26/96" squared circle on first day after delivery on the S.S. *Madura* from Zanzibar. (3 items) £100-£120



512 ■ 1896 (May 24) envelope addressed to U.S.A. by R. Dorsey Mohun franked 2½a. tied by hatched circle, carried on the outgoing S.S. *Madura* with New York June 24 transit and next day Washington arrival on reverse. *Richard Dorsey Loraine Mohun* (1864-1915), explorer, mineral prospector and mercenary, served as U.S. Consul in Zanzibar from July 1895, acting as an intermediary between the combatants in the Anglo-Zanzibar War of Aug. 27 1896, the shortest recorded war in history lasting between 38 and 45 minutes. This cover is believed to represent the earliest known use of a De La Rue stamp on cover from East Africa, sent two days prior to the issue of the unoverprinted stamps in British East Africa. Photo.



513 
1896 (June 3) rare mixed franking cover addressed to Ahmed bin Said. Sheikh of Malindi at Kilwa, German East Africa bearing 'on B.E.A.' ½a. with 'on India' 2a., hatched circle c.d.s. cancellations, backstamped June 6 arrival. Illustrated in Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 116. Photo.



514 
1896 (June 10) mixed franking cover at 2½a. rate addressed to Stony Stratford, Bucks. by Miss Sarah Whitbread, bearing 'on B.E.A.' ½a. strip of three with 'on India' ½a. pair, hatched circle c.d.s. cancellations, large part flap missing but rare. Sarah Anne Whitbread, nurse at the Zanzibar Station of the Universities Mission to Central Africa, affectionately known to the local people as "Mkate Mweupe" (white bread), died of haematuric fever at Zanzibar Hospital in July 1901 after nine years' service in Africa. Photo.
£800-£1,000



1896 (Nov. 18) 5a. used on reverse of double rate merchant's cover to Bombay, tied by hatched circle, carried on the outgoing S.S. *Madura* with Dec. 5 arrival alongside, rare on cover. Photo. £500-£600

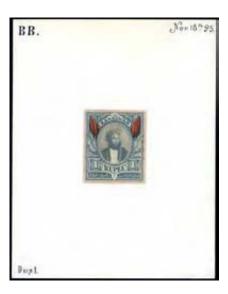
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# 1896 Sultan Seyyid Hamad-bin-Thwain



Essays: Artist's sketch with photographic vignette affixed to card (75 x 77mm) with suggested frame denominated 2½a. hand-drawn in ink. A most important item, originally enclosed with a letter (not present) dated Oct. 1 1895 from the Zanzibar Government to the Foreign Office and forwarded to De La Rue with the request, "Iam directed by General Sir Lloyd Mathews, K.C.M.G., First Minister of His Highness the Sultan of Zanzibar's Government, to enclose a rough sketch of a postage stamp and I should be glad if you will prepare from it a design for Postage Stamps for the above-mentioned Government". At foot may be seen two enlarged inscriptions, "The Arabic characters in the two lower corners of the sketch are reproduced below on a large scale so that you may see them quite clearly". Illustrated in The De La Rue History of British & Foreign Postage Stamps, 1855 to 1901 by John Easton (1958), Plate 41. Photo.





517 E - 1r. composite essay with photographic vignette and frame, the flags handpainted in red, Sultan's background and turban retouched in sepia, affixed to card (90 x 114mm) dated "Nov. 18th. 95", endorsed "BB." and "Dupl.", the design accepted subject to revision of the Arabic inscription. Ex De La Rue archives. Photo.





- Proofs: Stamp-sized undenominated master die proofs for the two sizes, in black on unwatermarked wove paper. Ex Knight. Photo. £300-£350
- **Covers:** 1896 (Dec. 24) large Postmaster General's printed envelope registered unusually to Burma, franked at 8a. rate by ½a. (2), 2a. and 4a., Zanzibar Reg c.ds. cancellations, redirected from Haka to Kalewa then Meiktila, arriving Feb. 13, vertical fold. Photo.
- 520 

   1897 to 1903, four registered items comprising 1897 (June 4) 2a. registered envelope size J to London (ex Rossiter) bearing 4a., 5a., others at 4½a. rate 1897 (Oct. 28) to Germany 1900 (May 17) to Tanga amd 1903 (Mar. 10) to Rome.

  £120-£150
- 521 ☑ 1898 envelope to Cheltenham initialled at lower left and addressed by Arthur Cornwallis Madan, missionary schoolmaster at St. Andrew's Boys School in Kiungani franked ½a. tied by squared circle with June 28 arrival backstamp. Also an unused p.p.c. of Madan with the Kiungani football team. Arthur Cornwallis Madan (1846–1917), linguist and Anglican missionary, was a noted researcher and translator of the African languages and served as schoolmaster at St. Andrew's Boys School in Kiungani. Photo. £100-£120



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# 1897 (Jan.) Provisional Surcharges





Ex 523

- 522 ★ ⊞ "2½" in red on 4a. myrtle-green block of four, the upper left stamp surcharge type 4 in red, others type 3, mainly fine mint with sheet margin at right, scarce multiple. Ex Vestey. S.G. 175, 176. Photo. £250-£300
- 523 ★  $\boxplus$  "2½" on 4a. myrtle-green, surcharge type 5 in red, unmounted mint block of four and mint single, mainly fine. S.G. 177. Photo. £200-£250





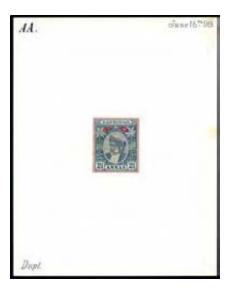
524 ☑ "2½" type 5 on 4a. myrtle-green, surcharge type 5 in red, tied by hatched circle to 1897 (Jan. 13) envelope to German East Africa with Dar-es-Salaam Jan. 20 transit and Bagamoyo Jan. 22 arrival on reverse, runner's folds. An important rarity. Illustrated in *Zanzibar's Postal History Legacy* by Gary DuBro (2012), p. 120. Photo. £2,000-£2,500





# 1899 - 1901 Sultan Seyyid Hamoud-bin-Mohammed bin Said





Essays: 2½a. composite essay with unaccepted photographic vignette and accepted frame, the flags handpainted in red and outer border detailed in pink, affixed to card (90 x 114mm) dated "June 16th. 98", endorsed "AA." and "Dupl.", the design accepted subject to revision of the Arabic inscription. Ex De La Rue archives. Photo.





- **Proofs:** Stamp-sized undenominated master die proofs for the two sizes, in black on unwatermarked wove paper. Ex Knight. Photo. £300-£350
- **Covers:** 1901 (Apr. 2) official cover to U.S.A. bearing 1a. tied by Pemba squared circle of Chake P.O., underfranked but accepted with Zanzibar Apr. 10 and New York transit marks, Cleveland May 23 arrival on reverse. *Believed to be the earliest known cover from the Pemba Island branch office*. Photo. £300-£350
- Selection comprising ½a. uprating two 1a. India ½a. stationery envelopes, 1a. indigo franking covers to England, Mauritius and Switzerland and on India 2a. registered envelope to London, 1a. indigo strip of three franking 1900 cover to Persia, 1a. carmine on 1901 cover to Isle of Wight, 2½a. on 1901 cover front to Sir Arthur Hardinge in Teheran, 1901 2a. registered envelope to Milan (with framed "PIROSCAFI/ESTERI") and on 1903 D.O.A.L. cover from S.S. *Somali* to Hamburg, 3a. on 1900 2a. registered envelope to Bombay showing scarce oval framed "AR" (avis de réception). (12 items)





# 1904 (June) Surcharges



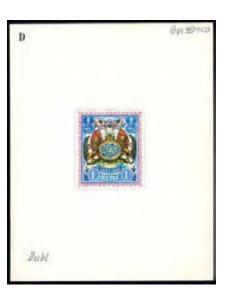


- Ex 530 -

530 ★ Mint selection incl. "Two/&/Half" on 7½a. and 8a. thin open "W" and serif to foot of "f" varieties, the latter in pairs with normal (ex Vialou and Frazer), mainly fine. (13) Photo. £200-£250

#### 1904 Sultan Seyyid Ali bin Hamoud bin Naherud Monogram





- 531 E 1r. multicoloured essay printed in five colours with handpainted border and perforations, stamp-sized and affixed to card (90 x 115mm) dated "Oct. 29th 03", endorsed "D" and "Dubl.", most appealing. Ex De La Rue archives, 'Kilimanjaro' and Sir Gawaine Baillie collections. This essay has quite justifiably been described as the "finest produced by De La Rue". Photo.
- **Covers:** 1904 (Oct.) long On Postal Service (deleted) envelope registered to Paris franked at double rate by 7½a. tied by indistinct squared circle with Oct. 22 arrival on reverse, vertical fold. Photo. £100-£120
- 1906, most unusual envelope addressed 'poste restante' to surgeon-dentist of Wm. O'Swald & Co. vessel S.S. Zanzibar but refused and apparently returned, bearing German East Africa 7½h. cancelled Tanga Apr. 20 and Zanzibar 2½a. tied by Apr. 20 c.d.s. and scarce boxed "FOREIGN POSTAGE DUE/ ANNAS PIES" (adhesive affixed over earlier strike), flap missing but most unusual. Ex Rossiter. Photo. £100-£120
- 534 ☑ ½a. pair franking p.p.c. of convicts 1906 (Nov. 13) to Germany, 1a. franking 1907 (Feb. 27) O.Z.G.S. envelope to Bombay, 1907 (Mar. 22) p.p.c. of village street to Warwick (cancelled Pemba squared circle) and 1908 (Feb. 20) p.p.c. of Shamba St. to Aden Camp with earliest recorded date of receiving c.d.s. and on 1904 (June 29) 2a. registered envelope to Entebbe (ex Rossiter). (5 items) £120-£150
- 1907 (Aug. 27) envelope registered to Saadani, German East Africa franked at scarce 6½a. rate incl. avis de réception fee with "AR" in oval and printed registration label, bearing 2½a. and 4a. tied by squared circle and backstamped Sept. 7 arrival, folded twice. Photo. £200-£250

# 1908 - 09 Sultan Ali bin Hamoud/View of Port: Essays





536 E 1r. composite essay in the format issued for 10r. to 200r. values, with photographic frame for alternative design, the vignette handpainted in blue over printed scene, mounted on card (114 x 90mm, small corner fault) dated "Oct. 22nd. 06" and endorsed "Dupl.". Ex De La Rue archives. Photo. £800-£1,000





537 E 50r. composite essay in the format issued for 10r. to 200r. values, with photographic frame for alternative design, the vignette handpainted in blue over printed scene, mounted on card (114 x 90mm) dated "Dec 17th. 06". Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo. £800-£1,000





538 E 3r. composite essay in the format issued for 10r. to 200r. values, with photographic frame for the chosen design, the country name highlighted in maroon and Chinese white, the vignette handpainted in blue over printed scene, mounted on card (114 x 90mm) dated "Dec. 17th. 06", endorsed "Dupl." and further annotated in red "To be used for the 100 + 200 Rupee/Stamps". Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo. £1,000-£1,200





539 E 2a. composite essay in the format for 1c. to 12c. values, with photographic vignette retouched in Chinese white and frame for the chosen design printed in ultramarine, mounted on card (90 x 114mm) dated "July 18th. 07", endorsed "Dupl." and further annotated in red "To be used for the/annas stamps down to 3.-", the currency subsequently changed from annas to cents. Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo

£1,000-£1,200





540 E 2a. composite essay in the format for 15c. to 75c. values, with photographic vignette retouched in Chinese white and frame for the chosen design printed in ultramarine, mica-covered and affixed to card (90 x 114mm) dated "July 18th. 07" with card overlay cut to reveal, the currency subsequently changed from annas to cents. Ex De La Rue archives and Vialou collection. Photo.



#### 1908 - 09 Sultan Ali bin Hamoud/View of Port: Essays continued





541 E 1r. composite essay in the format for the 1r. to 5r. values, with photographic vignette retouched in Chinese white and frame for the chosen design printed in brown, two individual handpainted versions of Arabic value tablets affixed alongside, affixed to card (90 x 114mm) dated "July 18th. 07", endorsed "Dupl." and further annotated in red "To be used for the/1.2.3.4 + 5 Rupee Stamps". Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo.

#### 1908 - 09 Sultan Ali bin Hamoud/View of Port: Proofs and Colour Trials



Master die proof for the 1c. to 12c. design, printed in black and blue on wove paper (35 x 39mm) with value tablets blank, endorsed "Original" in pencil below, two light pressed creases otherwise fine. Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo.



543 P Master die proof for the 15c. to 75c. design, printed in black and blue on wove paper (35 x 39mm) with value tablets blank, endorsed "Original" in pencil below, small tear at top otherwise fine. Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo.



Master die proof of the vignette for the 1r. to 5r. designs, printed in sepia on wove paper (27 x 37mm). Ex De La Rue archives. Photo.

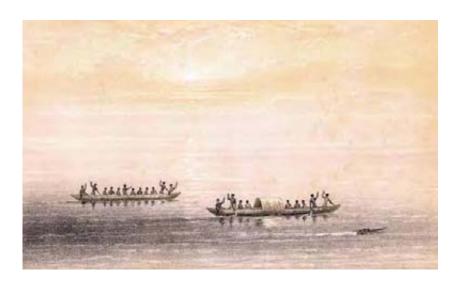


**545** ▲ P Imperforate colour trial from the master die for the 1r. to 5r. values, printed in black and blue with value tablets blank, stamp-sized, affixed to card (56 x 39mm) ex Appendix B from the De La Rue archives, endorsed "5 Rupees" alongside but this colour chosen for 100r. value, attractive and unique. Photo. **£500-£600** 

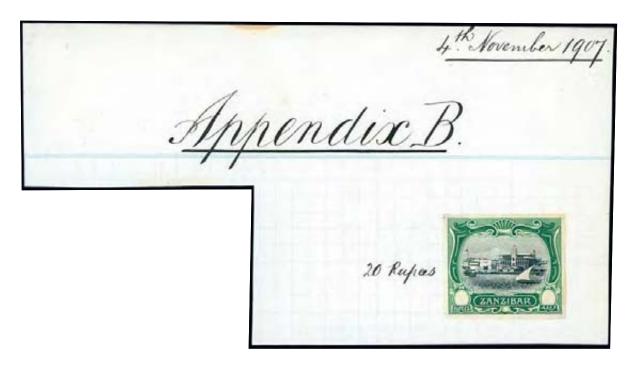


546 ▲ P Imperforate colour trial from the master die for the 1r. to 5r. values, printed in black and carmine with value tablets blank, stamp-sized, affixed to card (58 x 45mm) ex Appendix B from the De La Rue archives, endorsed "4 Rupees" alongside. Ex Knight. Photo.

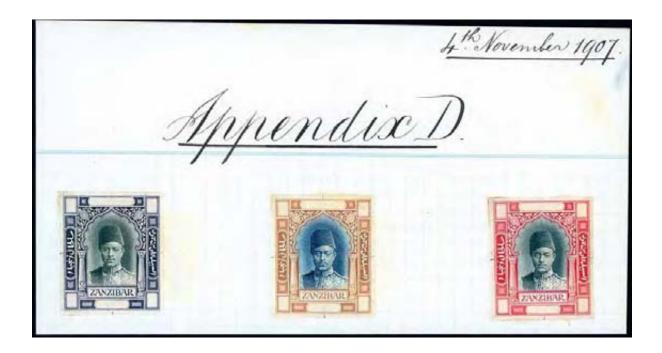
£500-£600



1908 - 09 Sultan Ali bin Hamoud/View of Port: Proofs and Colour Trials continued



547 ▲ P Imperforate colour trial from the master die for the 1r. to 5r. values, printed in green with centre vignette in black and value tablets blank, stamp-sized and endorsed "20 Rupees" alongside, affixed to piece headed "Appendix D" and dated "4th. November 1907". Ex De La Rue archives. Photo.



548 ▲ P Three imperforate colour trials from the master die for the 1r. to 5r. values, printed in violet, bistre and carmine respectively with centre vignettes in black and value tablets blank, stamp-sized, affixed to piece headed "Appendix D" and dated "4th. November 1907". Ex De La Rue archives. Photo. £1,400-£1,600



549 ▲ P Three imperforate colour trials from the master die for the 10r. to 200r. values, printed in carmine, ultramarine and orange respectively with vignettes in black and value tablets blank, stamp-sized, affixed to piece (155 x 47mm). Ex De La Rue archives and Knight collection. Photo.
£1,400-£1,600



550 ▲ P Imperforate colour trial from the master die for the 10r. to 200r. values, printed in issued brown and greenish black with value tablets blank, stamp-sized, affixed to card (76 x 47mm) ex Appendix B from the De La Rue archives, endorsed "100 Rupees" alongside. Ex Knight. Photo.



– Ex 551 –



- 551 P 1c. to 200r. set of imperforate plate proofs less 25c., all on ungummed watermarked paper and each in a marginal pair, mainly fine. (20 pairs) S.G. 225 P-245 P. Photo. £800-£1,000
- **Covers:** 1908 (May 31) 15c. single rate to Aachen with German Consulate paper seal, (June 23) registered 27c. rate to Dar-es-Salaam franked 12c., 15c., 1911 (Aug. 10) 3c. unsealed rate to Amiens with French Consulate handstamp. (3 covers) £120-£150
- 553 Image: P 1922 (ca.) Dhow 20r. blue-green and deep blue imperf. sample proof on gummed unwatermarked paper in a block of four, each overprinted "SPECIMEN" (Samuel type DS2), mainly fine. Photo on page 128. £200-£250



