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INTRODUCTION

Dear Collector,

Welcome to our latest Pacific Islands retail list.

As always, the team have been hard at work in an effort to find the finest and most interesting material to fill this brochure, so we hope you find something of interest.

Amongst plenty of fascinating items on display there are a few which stand out. The range of Fiji is the most interesting selection we've been able to offer for many years, with many of the early classics available- Seldom are we able to source these difficult issues in sufficient quality for stock. A personal favourite item is the KGVI cover on page 27 with a wonderful "Australian National Airways" advertising label on the reverse.

The Lakatoi issues of Papua have for many years ranked amongst my colleague Philip's favourite Commonwealth issues, and we have a fine array on show within. As well as some lovely specialist material which will be particularly appealing to postmark collectors, the unique multiple of SG40a with double overprint is a spectacular item, with even the basic double overprint missing from most specialised collections.

G.R.I. overprints on New Guinea give fantastic scope for the specialist and we have some highly desirable items on offer in this brochure. As well as some choice used items, the multiples of the registration labels on page 42 are exceptional and most unusual.

The cover of our Falkland Islands brochure was very well received and we need to credit the same artist this time around! We are indebted to our Junior Specialist Oscar Young who has painted the front cover of this brochure for us.

We hope you enjoy browsing the range.

Yours Sincerely,



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SOLOMON ISLANDS



1

SG 1/7 (Mint) 1907 Large canoe set of 7 to 1s, part to large part o.g. Typical perfs and centring, and odd minor tone specks on reverse, still attractive with fresh colours. (cat £275) P190002725 £150



2

SG 8 (Proof) 1922(c.) De La Rue printer's sample of 1908-11 ½d 'small canoe' in carmine on thick wove, imperforate upper left corner example, handstamped 'SPECIMEN' (type DS3). The only sample produced for this territory. Minor hinge thin but most attractive and rare, especially with this opt. P15600606 £250



3

SG 22/38 (Mint) 1914-23 set of 14 to £1, wmk MCA, fresh large part o.g. P190002738 £425



4

SG 53s/6s (Specimen) 1935 Silver Jubilee set of 4 to 1s, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type D19), brilliant o.g. (unmounted, but 1½d to 6d with some offsetting). 6d with odd shortish perfs, still very fine. P11202280 £130



5

SG 54h (Mint) 1935 Silver Jubilee 3d brown and deep blue, variety 'Dot by flagstaff' from vignette plate '4', R8/4, o.g. Creased corner perf but a very scarce proving example from the small July 1935 'wet' printing (224 sheets only). (cat £300) P16705446 £250



6

SG 73s/4s (Specimen) 1946 Victory pair, perf "SPECIMEN" (type D21), fine unmounted o.g. Very scarce thus. P178002449 £125



7

SG 112/26 (Mint) 1965 set of 15 to £1, unmounted o.g. P178011701 £50



8

SG D1s/8s (Specimen) Postage Due. 1940 set of 8 to 1s 6d, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type B9), in intact horizontal strips of 3 as distributed from Bern, affixed to ledger piece from the Mauritania post office archive, and tied by strikes of the distinctive three-line 'SPECIMEN/ COLLECTION/MAURITANIE' receiving H/S in magenta (applied during an audit of the collection in 1951). A unique and stunning item, with lovely fresh colours. P12305210 £1,400



9

(Cover) 1957 (12 DE) incoming airmail cover from New Zealand to Vella Lavella, franked by NZ 1953-59 ½d slate-black (pair) and 1955-59 2d bluish-green, tied by two despatch cds. Redirected on arrival to Sohano, New Guinea, with S/L "31 DEC 1957" datestamp and large "BARAKOMA" H/S applied as transit marks, both tying the 2d adhesive. Backstamped at Rabaul (31 DE). A very fine and rare usage of the large straight line H/S, with no other comparable usages known to us. P178010566 £125

COOK ISLANDS



10

SG 37/46 (Mint) 1909-19 set of 6 to 1s, wmk 43 of NZ, ordinary (½d, 1d) or chalk-surfaced paper, large part o.g. ½d with one toned perf on reverse, still a fine set with fresh colours. (cat £100+) P190002947 £85



11

SG 98b (Mint) 1931-32 'Arms' £5 indigo-blue, type 19 opt, 'Cowan' paper, fresh large part o.g. Stated to have been only 400 issued. P13411746 £250



12

SG 99 (Proof) 1932 ½d black and deep green, Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (48x73mm) with guide lines. Fine and attractive. P190002929 £195



13

SG 100 (Proof) 1932 1d black and lake "Captain Cook", Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (48x72mm) with guide lines. Fine and attractive. A sought after proof. P190002930 £250



14

SG 101 (Proof) 1932 2d black and brown, Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (74x48mm) with guide lines, showing partial die numbers at upper left. Faint bend, still fine and attractive. P190002931 £175



15

SG 102 (Proof) 1932 2½d black and deep blue, Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (68x42mm) with guide lines, showing partial die number at upper left. Fine and attractive. P190002932 £195



16

SG 103 (Proof) 1932 4d black and bright blue, Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (71x48mm) with guide lines, showing partial die number at upper left. Fine and attractive. P190002933 £195



17

SG 104 (Proof) 1932 6d black and orange, Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (73x48mm) with guide lines. Fine and attractive. P190002935 £195



18

SG 105 (Proof) 1932 1s black and violet, Perkins Bacon die proof in issued colours on thick wove (51x50mm) with guide lines except at foot, showing reversed die number at upper right. With unadopted essay vignette showing King George V in evening dress (rather than military uniform as issued). Trivial soiling in surround, still fine and attractive. A scarce and most interesting proof. P190002936 £195



19

SG 123b (Mint) 1936-44 Arms £3 green on Wiggins, Teape paper, watermark Single Star. Unmounted o.g. bottom marginal example, scarce P190004960 £450



20

SG 123b (Used) 1936-44 Arms £3 green, 'Wiggins Teape' paper, wmk 43, tied to piece (from which it has previously been removed for inspection of wmk) by nearly complete Rarotonga '20 AP 48' cds. Very fine and extremely scarce. BPA cert 2006 (for stamp off piece). P190003551 £700



21

SG 127/29 (Mint) 1938 se of 3 to 3s, wmk 43 of New Zealand, marginal blocks of 4, unmounted o.g. 1s and 2s with minor gum wrinkles, still a fine set with the key 3s from the upper right corner with sheet number '524160' and very fine. Attractive and scarce multiples. (cat £340+) P190010144 £295



22

SG 134 (Mint) 1947 Arms £1 pink, watermark Multiple Star upright. Left marginal example, unmounted o.g. P190004961 £75



23

SG 134 (Mint) 1947 Arms £1 pink, watermark Multiple Star upright, unmounted o.g. block of nine. An unusual multiple. P190004964 £525



24

SG 134w (Mint) 1954 Arms £1 pink, watermark Multiple Star inverted, unmounted o.g. P190004963 £140



25

SG 136 (Mint) 1950 Arms £5 watermark Multiple Star upright, unmounted o.g. P190004972 £375



26

SG 137/45 (Mint) 1944-6 set of nine to 3/-, watermark Multiple Star, in unmounted o.g. blocks of four. Some bends and some with gum lightly toned; unusual in multiples, cat £380 P190004967 £290



27

SG 205/18 (Mint) 1967 Decimal currency opt set of 14 to \$1 and 10s on 10d, unmounted o.g. P189002676 £65



28

SG 220 (Mint) 1967 Arms \$6 on £3 watermark Multiple Star inverted, top marginal unmounted o.g. Only 863 issued P190004970 £120



29

SG 221w (Mint) 1967 Arms \$10 on £5 watermark Multiple Star inverted block of four, unmounted o.g. A very scarce multiple, with only 876 printed (both watermarks) P190004973 £600



30

SG O16/31 (Official) Officials. 1978-79 set of 16 to \$6, unmounted o.g. P189013890 £55



31

SG 88 (Cover) 1928 (27 AP) registered cover to California, franked by 1926 10s brown-red, "Cowan" paper, tied by fine "RAROTONGA" cds with registration label (with additional strike of cds) at lower left. Backstamped in San Francisco and Oakland (both May 11). Light fold at foot, still fine and neat. A very scarce stamp on cover. P178009008 £395

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32

SG 3/a (Mint) 1903-11 2½d deep blue, surcharge types 1 + 4, perf 14, complete folded sheet of 120 (10x12), showing variety "Ava" without stop on R1/4 and 2/4 ONLY, unmounted o.g. Minor gum creasing and odd insignificant tone specks, still exceptionally fresh. A remarkable survival, and fascinating for study, with the surcharge differing from the four states detailed in the Part 1 footnote. Only 128 sheets printed in all! (cat £1244+). P178011963 £850 Shown at 75%



33

7a (Used) 1903-11 1s bright red "Kea and Kaka", variety "No stop after Tiringi" (R7/12), lightly cancelled by large part cds. Only 54 possible, and especially rare in used condition. (cat £950) P167007818 £750



34

SG O1/16 (Official) Officials. 1978-79 set of 16 to \$5, unmounted o.g. P189013891 £55

FIJI



35

SG 6 (Mint) 1870-71 'FIJI TIME EXPRESS' 3d black/rose, thin vertically ribbed paper (with additional thickened lines), R4/1 on the sheet, roulettes on two sides, part o.g. Small thin spot, and minor marks and wrinkles, still good condition for this rare stamp. BPA cert (1995). (cat £1800) P13409805 £750



36

SG 10/12 (Mint) 1871 (Oct) King Cakobau type 2 set of 3 to 6d, brilliant part o.g. (1d) or large part o.g., with lovely fresh colours and perfs and centring far above average. The 1d with some adhesion on gum, otherwise very fine for these scarce and delicate stamps, and easily the best set we have been able to offer for many years. P189002862 £295



37

SG 18 (Mint) 1874 (21 Oct) 12c on 6d rose, "V.R." type 5, brilliant large part o.g. Odd shortish perfs as often, still far above average for this delicate stamp and very scarce in unused condition. Ex King Carol, with clear BPA cert (1983). (cat £900) P190002231 £700



38

SG 18 (Used) 1874 (21 Oct) 12c on 6d rose, 'V.R.' type 5, lightly cancelled by part 'G.P.O.' cds. One short perf and minor wrinkles, still fine for this scarce and delicate stamp. (cat £250) P15610662 £160



39

SG 29a (Mint) 1876-77 2d on 3d deep green, lithographed 'VR', wove paper, o.g. (apparently unmounted !). Typical perfs but very fresh. (cat £55) P190003039 £45



40

SG 33 (Mint) 1876-77 6d rose on laid, lithographed 'VR', fresh large part o.g. Minor bend and off-centre as often, still fine for this. (cat £55) P190003040 £45



41

SG 37a (Mint) 1878-99 2d blue-green, perf 12½, brilliant o.g. Odd shortish perfs barely detract. (cat £60) P190003041 £45



42

SG 41 (Mint) 1878-99 4d on 1d mauve, perf 10, fresh large part o.g. Very fine for this issue. P190003043 £75



43

SG 42 (Mint) 1878-99 4d on 2d pale mauve, type 'A' surcharge (12½mm long), perf 10, fresh large part o.g. Typical perfs and neat annotation on reverse, but scarce. (cat £90). P190003045 £65



44

SG 44 (Mint) 1878-99 4d mauve, perf 10, fresh part o.g. Typical centring. (cat £80) P190003046 £55



45

SG 51 (Mint) 1878-99 2d yellow-green, perf 10x11¼, fresh o.g. Typical perfs but well above average. (cat £70) P190003047 £50



46

SG 67a (Mint) 1881-99 1s brown, perf 11x11¼, fine o.g., with excellent perfs and centring. P190003053 £55



47

SG 70 (Mint) 1891 2½d on 2d green, type 14 surcharge, block of 4, brilliant o.g. Small perf fault between lower pair, still an attractive and scarce multiple, the right pair showing variety Damaged stop after 'd'. P190011045 £175



48

SG 70 (Used) 1891 2½d on 2d green, type 14 surcharge, neatly cancelled by part SUVA cds, dated 'MR 12 1891' Typical perfs, still well above average. (cat £50) P190011047 £40



49

SG 73a (Mint) 1892-93 5d on 4d dull purple, type 17 surcharge, fine o.g. P190011048 £60



50

SG 73a (Mint) 1892-93 5d on 4d dull purple, type 17 surcharge, block of 4, o.g. Minor bends, and lower right stamp with surface mark, still an interesting and scarce multiple. (cat £240+) P190011050 £175



51

SG 74a (Mint) 1892-93 5d on 6d bright rose, type 18 surcharge (2mm spacing), fine large part o.g. Only 4000 issued (both shades). P190003055 £60



52

SG 113 (Used) 1903 5s green and black, wmk CA, fine used with large part Suva cds, dated "17 JAN 1911". Very scarce. P178012574 £160



53

SG 114 (Mint) 1903 £1 grey-black and ultramarine, fresh large part o.g. One slightly shortish perf barely detracts. (cat £375) P190003056 £325



54

SG 118/23 (Mint) 1906-12 New colours short set of 6 to 5s, brilliant o.g. Lovely new issue quality. P189014258 £140



55

SG 123 (Mint) 1906-12 5s green and red/yellow, fresh and fine, o.g. P190003058 £70



56

SG 124 (Mint) 1906-12 £1 purple and black/red, brilliant o.g. Exceptional condition for this stamp, with no trace of the usual rubbing. P190003057 £300



57

SG 125s/37s (Specimen) 1912-13 Wmk MCA set of 13 to £1, opt 'SPECIMEN', large part o.g. to o.g. Odd short perfs and the £1 with slight rubbing as often, but mostly very fine and fresh. A scarce set complete, distributed in several parts between 1912 and 1916. (cat £500)
P13403464 £395



58

SG 128w (Used) 1912-23 wmk MCA 2d greyish slate, variety wmk inverted, lightly used with part cds. Odd slightly shortish perfs, still fine for this. Rare. (cat £350)
P12312293 £275



59

SG 135 (Mint) 1912-23 2s6d black and red/blue, wmk MCA, upper marginal, brilliant o.g. Lovely new issue quality. P189014365 £32



60

SG 136 (Mint) 1912-23 5s green and red/yellow, wmk MCA, very fine o.g.
P189014366 £32



61

SG 137 (Mint) 1912-23 £1 purple and black/red, die I, brilliant o.g. (gum a little patchy as often). P190003061 £250



62

SG 137a (Mint) 1912-23 £1 purple and black/red, Die II, fine o.g. P13401794 £250



63

SG 249ba (Used) 1938-55 green, perf 12½, showing variety 'extra palm frond' (R5/8) fine used with two lightly struck cds cancels leaving variety unobscured. Attractive and particularly elusive in used condition, this the first we have handled thus. P189009748
£200



64

SG 268a (Mint) 1946 Victory 2½d green, variety 'printed double, one albino', brilliant unmounted o.g. The albino impression very clear (displaced 6mm below and 5mm to left of the printed impression).

Only one sheet discovered, and exceptional condition.

P16704128 £550



65

SG 268s/9s (Specimen) 1946 Victory pair, perf "SPECIMEN" (type D21), fine unmounted o.g. Very scarce thus. P178002448 £125



66

SG 311/25 (Mint) 1962-7 set of fifteen, unmounted o.g. P189012055 £55



67

SG 890/1(w) (Mint) 1994 Easter 59c and 77c, respectively showing wmk varieties Crown to left of CA (from back), and wmk inverted, unmounted o.g. Unlisted in the Western Pacific sectional catalogue. P12303129 £14



68

SG 890(w) (Mint) 1994 Easter 59c, variety wmk Crown to left of CA (from back), folded interpane block of 10 (5x2) with central gutter showing Enschede imprint and colour indicators, unmounted o.g. Unlisted in the Western Pacific sectional catalogue. P12303134 £70



69

SG 1064/7 (Mint) 1999 Sugar mill locomotives set of 4 to \$2, matching upper left corner blocks of 6 (3x2) with '1A' or '1C' (50c) plate numbers, and Walsall imprint, unmounted o.g. P11215112 £28 Shown at 90%



70

SG 1178/81 (Mint) 2002 Water industry set of 4, lower left (25c, \$3) or upper right corner blocks of 4 with '1A' (x4) plate numbers, unmounted o.g. P11215118 £28 Shown at 90%



71

SG 1204/7 (Mint) 2003 Geckos set of 4 to \$2, upper left or lower right (\$2) corner blocks of 4 with '1A' or '1B' (\$2) plate numbers, unmounted o.g. P11215121 £35 Shown at 90%



72

SG 1218/21 (Mint) 2004 Land snails set of 4 to \$3, matching lower left corner blocks of 4 with '1A' (x4) plate numbers, unmounted o.g. P11215122 £24 Shown at 90%



73

SG 1222/5 (Mint) 2004 Coral reef shrimps set of 4 to \$3, matching upper right corner blocks of 4 with '1A' (x4) plate numbers, unmounted o.g. P11215125 £25 Shown at 90%



74

SG 1267/70 (Mint) 2005 Europa set of 4 to \$4, sheetlets of 4, unmounted o.g. P11215130 £28 Shown at 90%



75

SG 1295/8 (Mint) 2005 Root crops set of 4 to \$2, matching lower right corner blocks of 4 showing Fiji Post logo, unmounted o.g. P11215132 £20



76

SG D5 (Postage Due) Postage Due. 1917 (1 Jan) 4d black on thick yellowish white laid, fine used for this with light sunburst cancel. Only 372 sold. P10106030 £500



77

SG D5a (Postage Due) Postage Due. 1917-18 1/2d black, type D2, off-centre as often, used with neat part sunburst cancel. Small perf blemishes but a good example. Only 672 sold. (cat £300) P13401800 £180



78

SG D5b (Postage Due) Postage Due. 1917-18 1d black on yellowish laid, narrower setting, unused showing 'N' of 'DANVERS' (paper-marker's watermark). Typical perfs and faintly toned as often, still an attractive example. Only 2520 sold, most of which were used. (cat £350) P14504420 £275



79

SG D6s/10s (Specimen) Postage Due. 1918 set of 5 to 4d, opt 'SPECIMEN' (type D12), o.g. 1d with tiny speck on gum and odd shortish perfs, still a really fine set, fresher than usually found. (cat £160) P13413211 £135



80

SG D11s/18s (Specimen) Postage Due. 1940 set of 8 to 1s6d, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type W8), brilliant o.g. A very fine set, much fresher than usually found. P13404084 £250



81

SG F1316a (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 1c on 6c, type IIc surcharge, error SURCHARGE INVERTED, interpane block of 4 with 'Enschede' imprint, unmounted o.g. Rare positional multiple. P10112430 £225



82

SG F1323 (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 2c on 6c 'Flycatcher', type VI surcharge, variety "=" for "XX", unmounted o.g. Very scarce, believed to be from a trial sheet released for postal purposes. P11203223 £110



83

SG F1323 (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 2c on 6c 'Flycatcher', type VI surcharge, variety "=" for "XX", upper marginal block of 4 with '002830' sheet number, unmounted o.g. Rare in this positional form, believed to be from a trial sheet released for postal purposes. P10112416 £395



84

SG F1331a (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 20c on 6c, type Ic surcharge, error SURCHARGE INVERTED, unmounted o.g. P11203228 £50



85

SG F1331a (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 20c on 6c, type Ic surcharge, error SURCHARGE INVERTED, left marginal block of 4, unmounted o.g. P11203230 £180



86

SG F1335 (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 20c on 6c 'Flycatcher', type III surcharge, upper marginal, unmounted o.g. Very scarce, this type overprinted on this value in error. P12310112 £65



87

SG F1335 (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 20c on 6c 'Flycatcher', type IIIb surcharge, vertical interpane pair, unmounted o.g. Very scarce, this type being used on the 6c value in error. P11211235 £130



88

SG F1359a (Mint) 2009 Local provisional 5c on 23c 'Fruit dove', type IIIa surcharge, error SURCHARGE INVERTED, lower marginal imprint block of 4, unmounted o.g. Very scarce multiple. P11203216 £180



89

SG F1359a (Mint) 2009 Local provisional 5c on 23c 'Fruit dove', type IIIa surcharge, error SURCHARGE INVERTED, interpane block of 8 (4x2) with gutter strip showing Enschede imprint, unmounted o.g. Very scarce multiple. P11203217 £325



90

SG F1361a (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 20c on 23c 'Fruit dove', type IIIb surcharge, error SURCHARGE INVERTED, upper left corner block of 4 with '1C' (x4) plate numbers, unmounted o.g. Rare positional multiple. P11209133 £225



91

SG F1364 (Mint) 2006-08 Local provisional 20c on 23c 'Fruit dove', type IIc surcharge, unmounted o.g. Scarce. P12310114 £30



92

(Revenue) Revenues. 1912 KEVII £3 on £1 purple and black/red, 'R and vertical bar' opt with additional surcharge in words, used on document piece with the contemporary KEVII £1 and 1914 KGV 5s, tied together by blue crayon and M/S. Trivial blemishes but a remarkable and rare usage. Barefoot 26, with 25 and 30. P14518946 £450



93

(Revenue) Revenues. 1912 KEVII £3 on £1 purple and black/red, 'R and vertical bar' opt with additional surcharge in words, tied to small document piece by blue crayon line and indistinct cancel. Fine and rare. Barefoot 26 (inaccurately dated '1910'). P14518944 £450



94

SG . (Revenue) Revenues. 1912 KEVII £3 on £1 purple and black/red, 'R and vertical bar' opt with additional surcharge in words, lightly used with blue crayon line and red 'customs' oval. Slightly washed colour and minor perf blemishes, still a good example of this rare provisional. Barefoot 26 (cat £500). P14518945 £250



95

(Revenue) Revenues. 1912 KEVII £3 on £1 purple and black/red, 'R and vertical bar' opt with additional surcharge in words, two fine examples used on document piece with two 1914 KGV 2s6d (die I) with similar opt, tied by blue crayon lines and light M/S. A remarkable and rare usage. Barefoot 26, with 29. P14518947 £950



96

(Revenue) Revenues. 1914 KGV 5s green and red/yellow, wmk MCA, 'R and vertical bar' opt, vertical strip of 3, tied to piece by green crayon line, each stamp with M/S initials and date '11/6/17'. Trivial blemishes but fresh and attractive. Barefoot 30. P14518972 £40



97

(Revenue) Revenues. 1923 £1 purple and black/red, die II, 'R and vertical bar' opt, lightly used with blue crayon line and part circular cancel. Barefoot 31 var (no separate listing for die II). P14518950 £50



98

(Revenue) Revenues. 1914 KGV £1 purple and black/red, die I, 'R and vertical bar' opt, tied to small piece by indistinct cancel. Fresh and very fine. Barefoot 31. P14518969 £50



99

(Revenue) Revenues. 1914 KGV £1 purple and black/red, die I, 'R and vertical bar' opt, fine used with legible circular 'crown' cancel. Barefoot 31. P14518949 £50



100

(Revenue) Revenues. 1914 KGV £1 purple and black/red, die I, 'R and vertical bar' opt, used with large part 'DISTRICT COMMISSIONER/REWA' three-line datestamp. Fresh and very fine. Barefoot 31. P14518968 £60



101

(Revenue) Revenues. 1923 KGV £1 purple and black/red, die II, 'R and vertical bar' opt (Barefoot 31var) used on piece with UNOVERPRINTED 1922-29 Script wmk 5s green and red/yellow, horizontal pair (SG 241), cancelled by M/S lines and initials. An attractive combination usage. P14518971 £65



102

(Revenue) REVENUE: 1928 (26 June) document header bearing KGV £1 purple and black/red, die II, "R and vertical bar" opt, TWENTY EXAMPLES (comprising block of 8 (2x4) and two blocks of 6 (2x3)), and 5s green and red/yellow (Script wmk) single, cancelled by green crayon lines and tied by multiple strikes of "FIJI/OFFICIAL/R.G./PAID" circular H/S. Typewritten text (partly under stamps), with violet handstamp at top and red M/S endorsement at lower right. A couple of stamps in each block with (mostly unobtrusive) faults, still a spectacular and fascinating item, with the right hand block of six clearly showing the junction of two overprint settings.

Barefoot 31 var, with 38. P189012543 £650 Shown at 85%



103

SG 83,85,93 (Cover) 1893 (15 SP) registered O.H.M.S. cover from Suva to San Francisco, franked at 10d (4d registration + 6d postage) by 1891-98 1d black, perf 10x11½, 2d green (horizontal pair) and 5d ultramarine, perf 11x10, tied by three strikes of SUVA despatch cds, with further strike below. Face with "R" in oval h/s, "2271" and "5490" registration numbers in blue, and endorsed by L.J. Walker (Chief Postmaster) at lower left. Backstamped at San Francisco (OCT 27). A fine and attractive three-colour "Pirogue" cover. P167011105 £550

Shown at 80%



104

SG 84/5 (Cover) 1896 (24 APR) registered cover from Suva to Scotland, Hamilton Hunter correspondence, endorsed "Via Brindisi", correctly franked at 7½d (5d registration + 2½d postage) by 1891-98 2½d chocolate and 5d ultramarine, perf 11x10, tied by individual fine strikes of SUVA cds, with additional strike alongside. Face with "1195" registration number in blue crayon and London registered oval ds (13 JU) at lower right. Backstamped at Saltcoats (JU 14). A very neat and attractive cover. P167011109 £450



105

SG 85 (Cover) 1899 (9 JUN) registered cover from Suva to Scotland, Hamilton Hunter correspondence, endorsed "Via San Francisco", correctly franked at 5d rate (4d registration + 1d postage) by 1891-98 5d ultramarine, perf 11x10, tied by G.P.O. SUVA cds (further strike alongside) and additionally tied by London registered oval ds (13 JY) in red. Face with boxed registration h/s at upper left ("2014" registration number in pink) and backstamped at Kilmarnock and Ardrossan (JY 13). A very attractive single franking, and choice quality.
P167011115 £395



106

SG 88a (Cover) 1900 (11 JAN) registered cover from Suva to London, franked at 5d rate (4d registration + 1d postage) by 1891-98 1d rosy mauve, perf 11, irregular block of 5, tied by two strikes of G.P.O. SUVA cds (further strike alongside) and additionally tied by London registered oval ds (22 FE) in orange-red. Face with boxed registration h/s at upper left ("142" m/s registration number) and backstamped with LONDON S.W. arrival (8.45AM time code) and delivery (10.45AM time code) cds (FE 22). A very neat and pleasing usage.
P167011117 £250



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SG 58a,59a,103a (Cover) 1902 (OC 31) pair of matched "Benedict Pieth" registered covers from Suva to New Jersey, one franked by 1878-99 6d bright rose, the other by 1878-99 4d bright purple and 1891-98 2½d yellow-brown, all perf 11x11¼, each with two very fine strikes of SUVA despatch cds (one tying adhesives, the second alongside) and boxed "R" registration H/S at upper left with consecutive numbers. The faces additionally with incoming registration numbers in blue and red, and both backstamped at Victoria, B.C. (NO 26), Seattle (NOV 28) and Newark (DEC 3). A highly attractive and very fine pair of covers. P167011094 £495



108

SG 261 (Cover) 1947 (26 MAY) cover from Nadi to Suva, typed endorsement "FIRST DAY COVER NADI POST OFFICE FIJI" at upper left to commemorate the first day of opening of the Nadi post office, franked by 1938-55 6d, die II, perf 13½, tied by very fine strike of "NADI AIRPORT / P.O. FIJI" cds, with matching strike alongside. The reverse with large multi-coloured "Australian National Airways" label, tied by SUVA machine cancel, dated "27 MAY 1947". Delightful ! P189014886 £450

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109

SG 1/7 (Cancel) 1911 (1 Jan) set of 7 to 1s, opts on Fiji, blocks of 4, each centrally cancelled on FIRST DAY OF ISSUE by fine to very fine violet "BUTARITARI ISLAND" cds. Minor gum toning on reverse, still a fine and splendid set. Very scarce and attractive in this form and condition. Ex Smith (Grosvenor 22 May 2008, lot 1765). P189014899 £1,250



110

SG 1s/7s (Specimen) 1911 set of 7 to 1s, type 1 opt on Fiji, opt 'SPECIMEN', the 1s value exceptionally showing variety Broken 'M' (pos.41 of the setting) and one of only seven possible thus, large part o.g. to o.g. A few low values with odd shortish perfs, the 1s fine. P15614333 £325



111

SG 8s/11s (Specimen) 1911 "Pandanus Pine" set of 4 to 2½d, opt "SPECIMEN", part to large part o.g. Some gum creasing and slight imperfections (1d shortish perfs, 2½d marks on reverse), still a good set with fresh colours. Uncommon. (cat £180). P190007076 £95



112

SG 8/11 (Proof) 1910 (12 Aug) master die proof in black on glazed wove (35x42mm) for the 1911 "Pandanus Pine" issue, with m/s date and initials at foot and unique thus. A beautiful and highly important proof. Ex De La Rue archives (see "The De La Rue Collection" Vol. 3, p.6343) and Smith (Grosvenor 22 May 2008, lot 1651). P189014917 £1,600



113

SG 24 (Mint) 1912-24 £1 purple and black/red, very fine o.g. Perfectly centred with lovely fresh colour. P15600222 £550



114

SG 24 (Mint) 1912-24 £1 purple and black/red, lower marginal with plate number "11", brilliant large part o.g. Rare and attractive in this form. P190002024 £600



115

SG 27s/35s (Specimen) 1922-27 Script wmk set of 5 to 10s, opt 'SPECIMEN', large part o.g. 1½d and 10s with slight gum yellowing, still an attractive set with fresh colours. (cat £275) P13408708 £200



116

SG 35 (Mint) 1922-27 Script wmk 10s green and red/emerald, right marginal, brilliant unmounted o.g. Very scarce thus. P14517429 £225



117

SG 39e (Used) 1935 Silver Jubilee 1s slate and purple, variety "Double flagstaff" from vignette plate "6", R5/2, neatly cancelled by part cds, with year date "36", which leaves variety clear. Odd short perfs, still fine and extremely scarce. Total printing only 599 sheets, from four vignette plates. Clear RPS cert (2015). (cat £650) P178012603 £495



118

SG 54 (Mint) 1938 printing of the 5/- in red-carmine and dark blue, top right corner block of four with sheet number. Cream gum, as is proper for this printing P190004998 £95



119

SG 55s/6s (Specimen) 1946 Victory 1d and 3d, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type D21), large part o.g. 1d with tone speck on gum, but fine fresh appearance. P15606147 £110



120

SG 64/75 (Mint) 1956 set of twelve, unmounted o.g. P189010947 £70



121

SG 9, 12 (Cover) 1912 (Nov) "Reinhard" cover (Burns Philp Line flag logo on flap) to Switzerland, endorsed "Schiffpost", correctly franked at 2½d by 1911 "Pandanus Pine" 1d red x2 and 1912-24 KGV ½d green, tied by individual fine to very fine strikes of large violet "POSTAL DEPARTMENT" undated cancel. Backstamped at Butaritari (28 NOV), Sydney (14 DE) and Bern (17.1.13) Trivial cover blemish, still fine and very scarce. [N.B. It is believed the undated "POSTAL DEPARTMENT" cancellation was only used in Beru, Butaritari, Funafuti, Ocean Island and Tarawa.] P189014911 £350



122

SG D1/8 (Cover) 1948 (11 OC) long official cover (large red wax seal of the Resident Commissioner on reverse) addressed to 'H.E. Maude, Esquire, Resident Commissioner, Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, Tarawa', bearing 1940 postage due set of 8 to 1s6d plus additional 1d and 4d, all tied by five mostly fine strikes of POST OFFICE / TARAWA cds, with red 'T. 4/8' M/S tax mark alongside. Minor edge toning and small ink mark, still a desirable and interesting cover. P190011043 £295 Shown at 75%



123

SG D1/8 (Cover) 1948 (16 OC) long official cover (blue embossed crown on flap) addressed to 'H.E. Maude, Esquire, M.B.E., The Residency, Bairiki, Tarawa', bearing 1940 postage due set of 8 to 1s6d plus additional 5d, all tied by seven mostly very fine strikes of POST OFFICE / TARAWA cds, with m/s 'T. 4/8' tax mark in red alongside. Trivial wrinkles, still fine and very scarce. Most appealing. P190011042 £350

Shown at 75%



124

(Cover) Christmas Island. 1914-38 10c local, fourth issue (denominations in blue), perf 11½, sheet of 8 (4x2, two blocks of 4 with horizontal gutter) with margin at top, unused (adhering to backing paper). One stamp with small tear and another with small perf blemish, still attractive and rare in this form. P16704700 £275 Shown at 95%



125

(Cover) Christmas Island. 1918 (JAN 11) locally addressed cover, franked by 5c 'Yacht' local stamp (first issue - perf 12½), tied by 'CHRISTMAS ISLAND/LOCAL POSTAGE' first type pmk, with handstamped date. Very fine and rare usage. P167002305 £425



126

(Cover) Christmas Island. 1919 (FEB 14) locally addressed cover, franked by 5c 'Yacht' local stamp (first issue - perf 12½), tied by 'CHRISTMAS ISLAND/LOCAL POSTAGE' first type pmk, with handstamped date. Very fine and rare usage. P16704698 £425

NAURU



127

SG 1/12VARS (Used) 1916-23 Set to 1s, ten values (exclg 1½d and 2d die II), all showing the constant variety 'short left stroke to N' (R1/8), the 9d a non-marginal single, the other values in top marginal horizontal pairs (2d, 3d, 5d, 1s with positional guide mark), o.g. The 3d with tone spot and 1s pair with faintly toned gum, still a scarce and desirable group (mostly unmounted). P13401891 £450



128

SG 1/2,6 (Specimen) 1916-23 ½d yellow-green, 1d bright scarlet, 2½d blue, type 1 opt, opt 'SPECIMEN' (type GB26), very fine and fresh, unmounted o.g. A rare group, not distributed by the UPU, with only part of a single pane (120 stamps) of each value released by the BPMA. P15609218 £250



129

SG 1/2,6 (Specimen) 1916-23 ½d yellow-green, 1d bright scarlet, 2½d blue, type 1 opt, opt 'SPECIMEN' (type GB26), marginal blocks of 4, very fine and fresh, unmounted o.g. A rare group, not distributed by the UPU, with only part of a single pane (120 stamps) of each value released by the BPMA. P15609208 £950



130

SG 1/a (Mint) 1916-23 ½d yellow-green, type 1 opt, horizontal strip of 3, the centre stamp variety 'NAUP.U' from 'I16' ptg, R6/2, very fine o.g. (variety unmounted). R6/3 shows constant broken 'N'. Very scarce. P13401892 £450



131

SG 1b, var (Mint) 1916-23 ½d yellow-green, type 1 opt, block of four from top of lower pane (R1-2/7-8), '116' printing, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO (the albino impression 1mm to right and ½mm below the inked opt) and exceptionally showing varieties 'short left stroke to N' (R1/8) and 'dropped cliché' (R2/7), fresh unmounted o.g. Some gum wrinkling but a unique positional block from this printing. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 810, realised £341). P15610752 £395



132

SG 1c (Mint) 1916-23 ½d yellow-green, type 1 opt, TRIPLE OPT, TWO ALBINO, the variant from the '116' printing, with one albino impression just above the inked opt, the other at the TOP of the stamp, and both easily detectable from the face, large part o.g. Faintly yellowish gum still fine and very rare. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 815) and illustrated on p.78 of his book. P15610751 £325



133

SG 2/a (Mint) 1916-23 1d bright scarlet, type 1 opt, block of 4 from '116' printing showing variety 'NAUP.U' (first state) on lower right stamp (R6/2), with 'splayed A' on R5/1 proving the position, brilliant o.g. (varieties unmounted). Very scarce in this form and condition. P06705618 £650



134

SG 2cb (Mint) 1916-23 1d carmine-red, type 1 opt, from 'N19' printing, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO, fine large part o.g. The albino impression 1½mm to right and 1mm above the inked opt. P15610754 £225



135

SG 2 (Specimen) 1916-23 1d bright scarlet, type 1 opt, opt 'SPECIMEN' (type GB26), very fine and fresh, unmounted o.g. Rare, not distributed by the UPU, with only part of a single pane (120 stamps) released by the BPMA. P15609221 £95



136

SG 3 (Mint) 1916-23 1½d red-brown, type 1 opt, lower left corner 'U23' control block of six (3x2), imperf margin, large part o.g. (four stamps unmounted). Bottom right stamp with tiny tone speck on reverse, but a scarce and attractive positional multiple with very fresh colour. P14500497 £395



137

SG 4b var (Mint) 1916-23 2d orange, type 1 opt, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO (with the albino impression 1½mm to right of the inked opt) and exceptionally showing variety 'Short left stroke to N' (R1/8), from 'H16' printing, very fine o.g. One of only two recorded with this combination of varieties. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 821, realised £247) P15610756 £275



138

SG 4y (Mint) 1916-23 2d orange, die I, block of 4 from lower right corner of an upper right pane, variety wmk inverted and reversed, unmounted o.g. Trivial handling bends, but very scarce and attractive in this positional form. Only two sheets existed. P14504278 £450



139

SG 6b (Mint) 1916-23 2½d blue, type 1 opt, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO (with the albino impression 1mm below the inked opt and very clear on reverse), upper marginal, o.g. Trace of a tone speck on gum but fine fresh appearance. Only one top pane existed, from 'G15' printing. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 822). (cat £225) P15610758 £180



140

SG 7b (Mint) 1916-23 3d bluish violet, type 1 opt, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO (with the albino impression ½mm to left of inked opt and detectable from face), fine o.g. Only one pane existed, from 'I16' printing, and very scarce. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 823). P15610759 £350



141

SG 7b, var (Mint) 1916-23 3d bluish violet, type 1 opt, overprint double, one albino (from the '116' batch), with the albino impression 1mm to left of the inked opt and fractionally below, horizontal pair from R1/7-8 of the setting, exceptionally showing the 'Short N' variety on the right stamp, fresh large part o.g. A unique piece, ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 824). P15612627 £950



142

SG 8b (Mint) 1916-23 4d slate-green, opt double, one albino, left marginal, fine o.g. The albino impression 1½mm below and to left of the inked opt, and detectable from face. P09004426 £225



143

SG 9b (Mint) 1916-23 5d yellow-brown, type 1 opt, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO (with the albino impression ½mm to left and 1mm below the inked opt, very clear even from face), 'H16' printing, brilliant o.g. Couple of slightly shortish perfs, still very fine, and plated to R4/7 of the setting by diagnostic flaws. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 829, realised £211) P15610761 £160



144

SG 9b var (Mint) 1916-23 5d yellow-brown, type 1 opt, DOUBLE OPT ONE ALBINO (with the albino impression ½mm to left and 1mm below the inked opt) and exceptionally showing variety 'Short left stroke to N' (R1/8), from 'H16' printing, fresh and fine, large part o.g. One of only two possible with this combination of varieties. Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 827). P15610762 £375



145

SG 17 (Mint) 1916-23 5s rose-carmine, Waterlow printing, lower right corner block of 4 with pencil initials and '20/9' (1915) date at lower right, unmounted o.g. Upper right stamp with tiny tone spot, still exceptional appearance with lovely colour. A beautiful and unique positional multiple of this Commonwealth rarity, with only twelve stamps in total released by the BPMA from the duplicate registration sheet, additional to the 120 issued stamps. Each stamp with 'BPMA' H/S on reverse. P15613265 £8,500



146

SG 17 (Specimen) 1916-23 5s rose-carmine, Waterlow printing, non-UPU 'SPECIMEN' opt (type GB26), block of 8 (4x2) being the top two rows of a sheet from Plate HV6 with proving centre guide, brilliant unmounted o.g. Minor bends on right pair and marginal blemishes, still superb condition. A spectacular and unique multiple from the one sheet of 40 released by the BPMA. P15613253 £12,500 *Shown at 85%*



147

SG 17/18 (Specimen) 1916-23 5s rose-carmine and 10s indigo-blue, Waterlow printing, non-UPU 'SPECIMEN' opt (type GB26), right marginal blocks of 4, unmounted o.g. One 5s with small area of natural gum disturbance, still superb condition, wonderfully fresh. A spectacular pair of multiples from the sheets of 40 released by the BPMA. P15613255 £11,000



148

SG 18a (Mint) 1916-23 10s indigo-blue, Waterlow printing, lower left corner block of 4, all stamps showing DOUBLE OPT, ONE ALBINO, brilliant o.g. (upper pair unmounted). Slight separation and reinforcement at foot, and minor gum wrinkles mentioned for accuracy, still superb appearance with wonderful colour. A unique and magnificent positional multiple of this key Commonwealth rarity, with only nine stamps in total released by the BPMA from the duplicate registration sheet (additional to the 60 issued stamps). Each stamp with 'BPMA' H/S on reverse. [N.B. The consistent placement of the albino impression (3mm above and ½mm to the right of the inked opt) demonstrates that the overprint could not have been applied in rows of 4, as suggested by Buckingham; in fact the setting was of 20 (4x5), with the upper half of this registration sheet NOT showing the albino impression.] P15613263 £27,000



149

SG 19b (Mint) 1916-23 2s6d (pale) sepia-brown, De La Rue printing, showing 'overprint treble, two albino', with the abino impressions respectively 3½mm to left/2½mm above, and 16mm to left/2mm above, in relation to the inked opt, fine o.g. An extraordinary stamp, from R4/3 of the one 2s6d complete sheet received in Nauru prior to 2 Sept 1916, which showed 'double overprint one albino' on rows 1-3 and 'treble overprint one albino' on rows 4-5, having apparently been overprinted (? as a trial) with a setting of 4 in a single row. This sheet remained intact (finally in the possession of Sir John Dodd) until broken up in the 1960s, as explained by Buckingham (see pp. 68-9 and 110-11 of his book). Ex Buckingham (Grosvenor 28/2/2006, lot 895), with BPA cert (1968) as former SG 19a ('deep brown'), and illustrated on p.82 of Buckingham's book. P15612630 £1,800



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SG 20 (Mint) 1916-23 2s6d yellow-brown, DLR printing, fine o.g.
P190005940 £70



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SG 21 (Mint) 1916-23 2s6d brown, DLR printing, fine o.g.
P190005942 £70



152

SG 22 (Mint) 1916-23 5s bright carmine, DLR printing, very fine o.g.
P190005945 £100



153

SG 22s (Specimen) 1916-23 5s bright carmine, DLR printing, opt "SPECIMEN" (type GB 23), fresh o.g. Odd shortish perfs but much above average. (cat £325). P178004702 £250



154

SG 23 (Mint) 1916-23 10s pale blue, De La Rue printing,
very fine o.g. P190005946 £250



155

SG 25 (Mint) 1916-23 2s6d pale brown, BW printing, fresh large part o.g. One slightly shortish perf. P190005944 £75

NEW GUINEA



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SG 2a (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 1d on 5pf green, 6mm space from setting I, pos. 10 showing variety '1' for 'l' (clear under magnification), lightly used with indistinct (? Gibbs type 14) cancel. Fractionally toned, still above average for this. Very scarce (cat £425) P190012054 £225



157

SG 2b (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 1d on 5pf green, 6mm space from setting I, pos. 1 showing variety Short '1', fine used appearance with clear part strike of the scarce 'FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN' seal cancel (Gibbs type 14). Minor imperfections (trace of hinge thin, faint tone) but a remarkable example. Very scarce. (cat £425+) P190012055 £225



158

SG 3a (Used) "1914-15 New Guinea 2d on 10pf carmine, 6mm space from setting I, variety "1" for "l" (pos. 10), neatly cancelled by almost complete strike of the short-lived Rabaul two-lined handstamp in violet (Gibbs type 2) on first day of issue (Oct 17 1914). Trivial mark on one perf but attractive and rare. (cat £500)" P178012502 £375



159

SG 4a (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 2d on 20pf ultramarine, 6mm space from setting I pos. 10 showing variety "1" for "l", proving right marginal example, tied to piece by part Friedrich-Wilhelmshafen defaced consular seal cancel (Gibbs type 14). Tiny red mark at right but rare with this cancel. Clear BPA cert (1990). (cat £425+) P178004627 £350



160

SG 4e var (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 2d on 20pf ultramarine, 6mm space from setting I, pos.10, showing error SURCHARGE DOUBLE (with the upper impression of "G.R.I." (partly albino) and additionally with the pos.10 variety "1" for "l", fine large part o.g. A unique and fascinating stamp with this combination of error and variety, and accorded separate listing as such in Gibbs "G.R.I." as no. 4ba. Ex Marquess of Bute (RL 29 April 1959, lot 18), Creed and Corinphila 6 June 2002, lot 545. Initialed by David Field, with Bute and Buhler handstamps, and Gibbs cert (2002). [N.B. On other recorded examples from the same row the upper "G.R.I." is completely albino (= SG 4e), rather than partly inked as here. A possible explanation is that the top sheet margin was inadvertently folded forward during surcharging, and so received the upper line on the gum.] P189011083 £5,500



161

SG 5 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 2½d on 10pf carmine, 6mm space from setting IV pos. 4, fresh large part o.g. Initialed on reverse by W. T. Wilson. Faint corner bend but fine appearance. (cat £95) P190006227 £75



162

SG 5 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 2½d on 10pf carmine, 6mm space from setting IV, upper right corner block of 6 (3x2) with value imprints above, fresh o.g. (five stamps unmounted). Attractive positional piece. P178012367 £550



163

SG 8 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 3d on 30pf black and orange/buff, 6mm space from setting VI pos. 2, brilliant large part o.g. Very scarce, especially from this setting (rated by Gibbs 'G.R.I.' p. 274 at 5 x normal). Ceremuga cert (2002). P190006235 £475



164

SG 8 (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 3d on 30pf black and orange/buff, 6mm space from setting I pos. 7, tied to piece by part Friedrich-Wilhelmshafen defaced consular seal cancel (Gibbs type 14). Rare with this cancel. P178004632 £500



165

SG 17ga (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 1d on 5pf green, 5mm space from setting II, showing variety 'G.R.I.' WITHOUT STOPS BUT WITH NORMAL SPACES, tied to small piece by two part strikes of RABAUl oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8). Tiny mark in right margin mentioned for accuracy, but one of just two used examples known to Gibbs (with a single unused example in the Royal Philatelic Collection). A fascinating and very rare stamp. BPA (1991) and RPS (1965) certs, the latter as former SG 17b. (cat £11,000) P190012062 £7,500



166

SG 19 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 2d on 20pf ultramarine, 5mm space from setting II pos. 4, fine large part o.g. P190006250 £50



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SG 22 (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 3d on 25pf black and red/yellow, 5mm space from setting II pos. 8, tied to piece by small part Rabaul oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8) showing date "1915". Very fine. P178004591 £250



168

SG 24 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 4d on 40pf black and carmine, 5mm space from setting X, pos.1, fine o.g. Extremely scarce from this setting, and rated by Gibbs ("G.R.I.", p. 274) at 5 x normal. P189014091 £180



169

SG 24 (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 4d on 40pf black and carmine, 5mm space from setting II pos.3, lower marginal with part imprint, tied to piece by Rabaul violet ds showing date "JAN 6 (1915)". Fine and attractive. P178011060 £275



170

SG 25 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 5d on 50pf black and purple/buff, 5mm space from setting XI pos. 4, o.g. Small stains but rare from this setting (rated by Gibbs 'G.R.I.' p.274 at 10 x normal). (cat £325+) P190006228 £195



171

SG 25f (Used) 1914-15 New Guinea 5d on 50pf black and purple/buff, 5mm space from setting II pos. 4, ERROR SURCHARGE DOUBLE, tied to piece by very fine part strike of Rabaul oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8), dated "JAN 6 (1915)". Superb and very rare in used condition. Gibbs cert (2004). P178004593 £5,500



172

SG 26 (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 8d on 80pf ultramarine, 5mm space from setting II pos. 1, fine large part o.g. P190006252 £425



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SG 26f (Mint) 1914-15 New Guinea 8d on 80pf black and carmine/rose, part o.g., variety surcharge double, one inverted, large part o.g., the upright surcharge Setting 10, position 2; the inverted surcharge setting 11, position 4. A rarity, with Holcombe Cert (1993) P189010302 £7,000



174

SG 33 (Used) 1915 "Rabaul" 3d black and red registration label "No. 860" (without hyphen), setting A pos. 1, tied to piece by complete light strike of Rabaul oval ds in violet, dated "JAN 4 1915". Typical perfs and centring, still very fine and scarce used. P178004595 £325



175

SG 38/b (Mint) 1915 (Jan) 'Kieta' 3d black and red registration label, block of 8 (Nos 19-16/14-11) from setting B pos. 2-5, Nos 17/12 showing variety 'No stop after d', very fine unused. A spectacular and rare multiple. Brandon cert (2006). (cat £4400+) P15610658 £3,950



176

SG 42 (Mint) 1915 (Jan) "Käwieng" 3d black and red registration label, seriffed letters, left marginal block of 4, numbers 380/374, from Setting "B" pos. 1-2, fresh unused. Odd short perfs, and trivial creasing at left, but an attractive and very scarce multiple. Ex Harmer 25 Sept 1996, lot 818. (cat £1000+). P189011087 £650



177

SG 42 (Mint) 1915 (Jan) 3d black and red/buff 'Käwieng' (seriffed letters) registration label, block of 15 (3x5) from the upper left corner of a sheet, numbered 950-948/930-928, setting 'A' pos. 1-3, fresh large part o.g. (dulled by backing). A rare and spectacular multiple, in unusually fine condition Gibbs cert (2002). [N.B. Setting 'A' used for the registration labels is closely related to setting III used for the mark values, with pos 1-3 of each sharing diagnostic features]. P14507929 £3,500



178

SG 51 (Mint) 1914 (16 Dec) Marshall Is 1d on 5pf green, 5mm space from setting II, pos. 7, very fine o.g. P190006230 £80



179

SG 51 (Used) 1914 Marshall Is 1d on 5pf green, 5mm space from setting IV pos. 3, tied to piece by very fine large part Rabaul oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8), dated "FEB 27 1915". Very scarce from this setting (Gibbs rates at 10 x normal) which was not otherwise used on Marshall Is stamps. Ex Marquess of Bute. P178004597 £110



180

SG 51 (Cancel) 1914 Marshall Is 1d on 5pf green, 5mm space, horizontal pair from setting IV pos. 1-2, tied to piece by SYDNEY cds of "8 MR 15", presumably cancelled on arrival. Very scarce from this setting (Gibbs rates at 10 x normal) which was not otherwise used on Marshall Is stamps. A remarkable item. P178004598 £195



181

SG 51c (Used) 1914 Marshall Is 1d on 5pf green, 5mm space from setting II pos. 2, showing variety "1 with straight top serif", tied to piece by complete very fine Rabaul oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8), dated "JAN 14 1915". Scarce used, and choice quality. P178004600 £160



182

SG 52 (Mint) 1914 (16 Dec) Marshall Is 2d on 10pf carmine, 5mm space from setting II pos. 4 (worn impression), brilliant large part o.g. P190006254 £27



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SG 54e (Used) 1914 Marshall Is 3d on 25pf black and red/yellow, 5mm space from setting II pos. 5, showing variety "No stop after d", very fine used with part Rabaul oval ds in violet. Rare used. BPA cert (1992). P178004602 £1,100



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SG 55e (Used) 1914 Marshall Is 3d on 30pf black and orange/buff, 5mm space from setting II pos. 5, showing variety "No stop after d", tied to piece by part Rabaul oval ds in violet. Rare used, and very fine. BPA cert (1977) as former SG 55a. P178004604 £1,200



185

SG 56 (Used) 1914 Marshall Is 4d on 40pf black and carmine, 5mm space from setting II pos. 10, tied to piece by complete Rabaul oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8), dated "JAN 7 1915". Scarce in this choice quality. P178004606 £250



186

SG 57 (Mint) 1914 (16 Dec) Marshall Is 5d on 50pf black and purple/buff, 5mm space from setting II pos. 9, brilliant large part o.g. with exceptional colour. Scarce. Ceremuga cert (2002). P190006233 £300



187

SG 58 (Mint) 1914 (16 Dec) Marshall Is 8d on 80pf black and carmine/rose, 5mm space from setting XI pos. 1, fresh large part o.g. Minor bends, still very fine appearance and a rarity from this setting (rated by 'Gibbs G. R.I.' p.274 at 10 x normal).
P15610602 £475



188

SG 59 (Mint) 1914 (16 Dec) Marshall Is 1s on 1m carmine, 3½-4mm space from setting III pos. 2 (with small stops after 'R' and 'I'), brilliant o.g. Couple of slightly shortish perfs and a tiny natural inclusion mentioned for accuracy but a lovely fresh example of this rarity. Clear RPS cert (1987).
P15610659 £3,750



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SG 60 (Mint) 1914 Marshall Islands 2s on 2m blue, 3½-4mm spacing from Setting 3, position 4, large part o.g. Centred slightly to upper left though still very fine. BPA Cert (2017). (cat £1900) P189010305 £1,600



190

SG 63 (Mint) 1915 (Jan) '1' on Marshall Is 2d on 10pf carmine, 5mm space from setting II pos. 3, large part o.g. with fresh colour. Couple of slightly shortish perfs barely detract. T. A(llen) H/S on reverse and signed Holcombe, with clear Brandon cert (2003). (cat £200).
P190006239 £160



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SG 63 (Used) 1915 (Jan) "1" on 2d on 10pf carmine Marshall Is, additional type 3 surcharge, horizontal pair from setting II pos. 4-5, centrally cancelled by very fine light Rabaul oval ds in violet (Gibbs type 8), dated "JAN 28 1915". A very scarce used multiple of this provisional. P178004608 £550



192

SG 65a (Mint) 1915-16 ½d bright green, complete form of 30 (6x5), fourth setting with large stops, showing types "a" (top two rows), "b" (middle row) and "c" se-tenant, fresh unmounted o.g. R2/6 showing characteristic broken stop after "S". Wmk lines at right and foot, and prominent plate variety "Stop before 2 in right value tablet" (R5/1) demonstrates Electro 4, right pane 31-60. Odd minor perf faults and slight separation but a scarce and interesting item. P178007637 £110 Shown at 85%



193

SG 67b (Mint) 1915-16 1d carmine-red, block of 25 (5x5) with marginal wmk line at right, being the right five columns of the fourth setting, showing types "a" (top two rows), "b" (middle row) and "c" se-tenant, unmounted o.g. Odd shortish perfs/wrinkles but a fine multiple, nicely centred with lovely colour. P178007639 £175 Shown at 70%



194

SG 81 (Mint) 1915-16 1s green, wmk 2 of Australia, complete form of 30 (6x5), fourth setting with hollow stops at R1/6 and 3/6, showing types "a" (top two rows), "b" (middle row) and "c" se-tenant, o.g. Patchy gum toning and a few stamps with short perfs, still good colour and appearance. Wmk lines at top and right, and numerous plate flaws demonstrate Plate 2, upper half of left pane. A rarity (cat £1800+) P178007640 £750 Shown at 70%



195

SG 84 (Mint) 1915-16 10s grey and pink, wmk 2 of Australia, type 6(c) opt, large part o.g. Typical centring and trace of a minor wrinkle, still fine fresh appearance. (cat £150) P178007596 £110



196

SG 84(b) (Mint) 1915-16 10s grey and pink, wmk 2 of Australia, scarcer type 6(b) opt from row 3 of the 6x5 setting, brilliant large part o.g. Odd fractionally shortish perfs at foot, but exceptionally fresh. (cat £150) P190006338 £120



197

SG 85(b) (Mint) 1915-16 £1 brown and ultramarine, wmk 2 of Australia, scarcer type 6(b) opt from row 3 of the 6x5 setting, large part o.g. Minor perf toning on reverse, still fine fresh appearance. Shows the prominent duty plate variety 'Break in value circle at right' (right pane, R3/3). Very scarce thus. (cat £550+) P190006339 £395



198

SG 92 (Mint) 1915-16 5s grey and yellow, wmk 5 of Australia, vertical strip of 3 showing the three overprint types (6a/b/c/) se-tenant, part o.g. Some gum disturbance/blemishes from hinge removal, still fine fresh appearance. (cat £300) P178007600 £160



199

SG 99 (Mint) 1915-16 £1 chocolate and dull blue, wmk 6 of Australia, type 6(a) opt, part o.g. Some gum disturbance from hinge removal but fine fresh appearance. (cat £350) P178007604 £195



200

SG 99 (Used) 1915-16 £1 chocolate and dull blue, wmk 6, type 6(c) opt, very fine used with nearly complete 'RABAUL' cds, dated '7 MR 18'. Choice quality. P14506110 £450



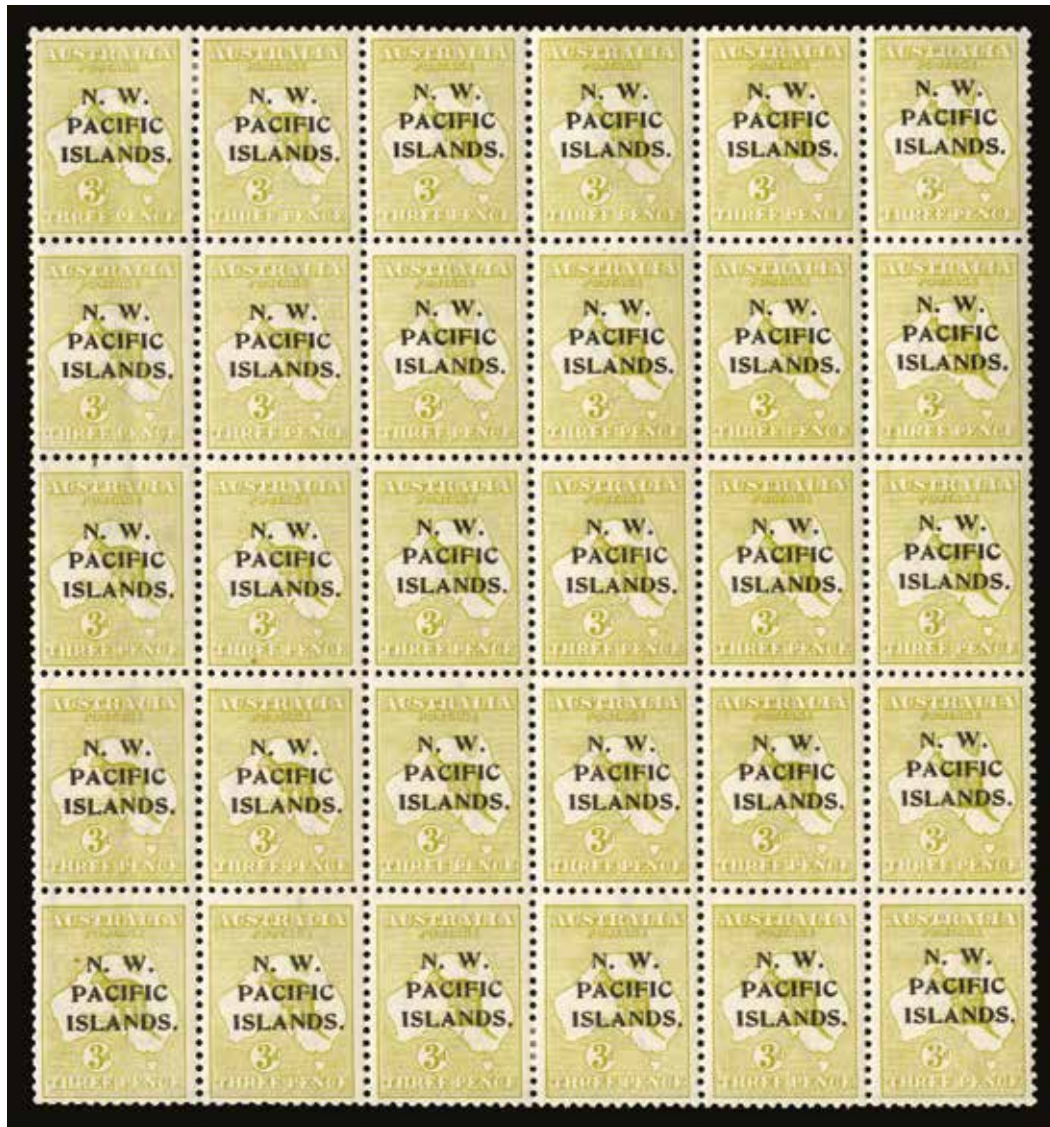
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SG 103 (Mint) 1918-22 1d carmine-red, type 11 opt, complete forme of 30 (6x5) with wmk lines at top and left, fresh unmounted o.g. Typical centring, and odd short or creased perfs, still a fine and scarce item. P178007642 £150 *Shown at 75%*



202

SG 107 (Mint) 1918-22 2½d indigo, die II, type 11 opt, complete pane of 30 (6x5), without margins as always (removed before overprinting), fresh o.g. (most unmounted). Unobtrusive crease at lower left (affecting two stamps), still very fine fresh appearance. Scarce and attractive in this intact form. P167010743 £225 *Shown at 75%*



203

SG 109/a/ab (Mint) 1918-22 3d greenish olive, type 11 opt, complete forme of 30 (6x5), without margins as always (removed before overprinting), with fifteen examples each of die I and die II, yielding seven se-tenant die I/II pairs, o.g. (hinged on seven stamps only). A couple of natural paper inclusions, still fine and very rare in this intact form. Wmk lines at left and foot and White flaw over "T" of "THREE" demonstrate plate 1, lower half of left pane (L31-60 = rows 6-10/1-6). (cat £3609++) [The Die II stamps are rows 7/1-2, 8/1-5, 9/1-3 and 10/1-5 (diagram included).] P189004911 £2,500



204

SG 137/49 (Mint) 1931 "Huts" Air set of 13 to £1, brilliant large part o.g. to o.g. P178000181 £250



205

SG 137/48 (Mint) 1931 (8 June) 'Huts' Air short set of 12 to 10s, large part o.g. 2s with small gum fault, still an attractive set and much above average. (cat £128) P190006673 £95



206

SG 162 (Mint) 1931 (2 Aug) 'Bird of Paradise' £1 olive-grey, with dates, brilliant large part o.g. with very fresh colour. Scarce so fine. P190006242 £250



207

SG 163/76 (Mint) 1931 (2 Aug) 'Bird of Paradise' Air set of 14 to £1, with dates, fresh large part o.g. A couple of minor blemishes, still a really fine set. (cat £300) P190006675 £250



208

SG 177/89 (Mint) 1932-34 "Bird of Paradise" set of 15 to £1, redrawn without dates, large part o.g. to o.g. Some minor gum creasing as often, still an attractive set. (cat £250) P178000190 £195



209

SG 177/89var (Mint) 1932-34 'Bird of Paradise' the unissued ½d orange, redrawn without dates, and without overprint. An unmounted o.g. top marginal example, fine and fresh for this. See footnote after SG 193 P190009831 £120



210

SG 190/203 (Mint) 1932-34 'Bird of Paradise' Air set of 16 to £1, redrawn without dates, large part o.g. Odd shortish perfs, still an attractive set, much fresher than usually found. (cat £250) P190006681 £195



211

SG 204 (Mint) 1935 Air £2 bright violet, very fine o.g. P190000459 £350



212

SG 205 (Mint) 1935 Air £5 emerald-green, fine o.g. Fresher than usually found and showing only the faintest trace of hinging. P190000460 £750



213

SG 212/25 (Mint) 1939 Air set of 14 to £1, fine unmounted o.g. P190009835 £1,100



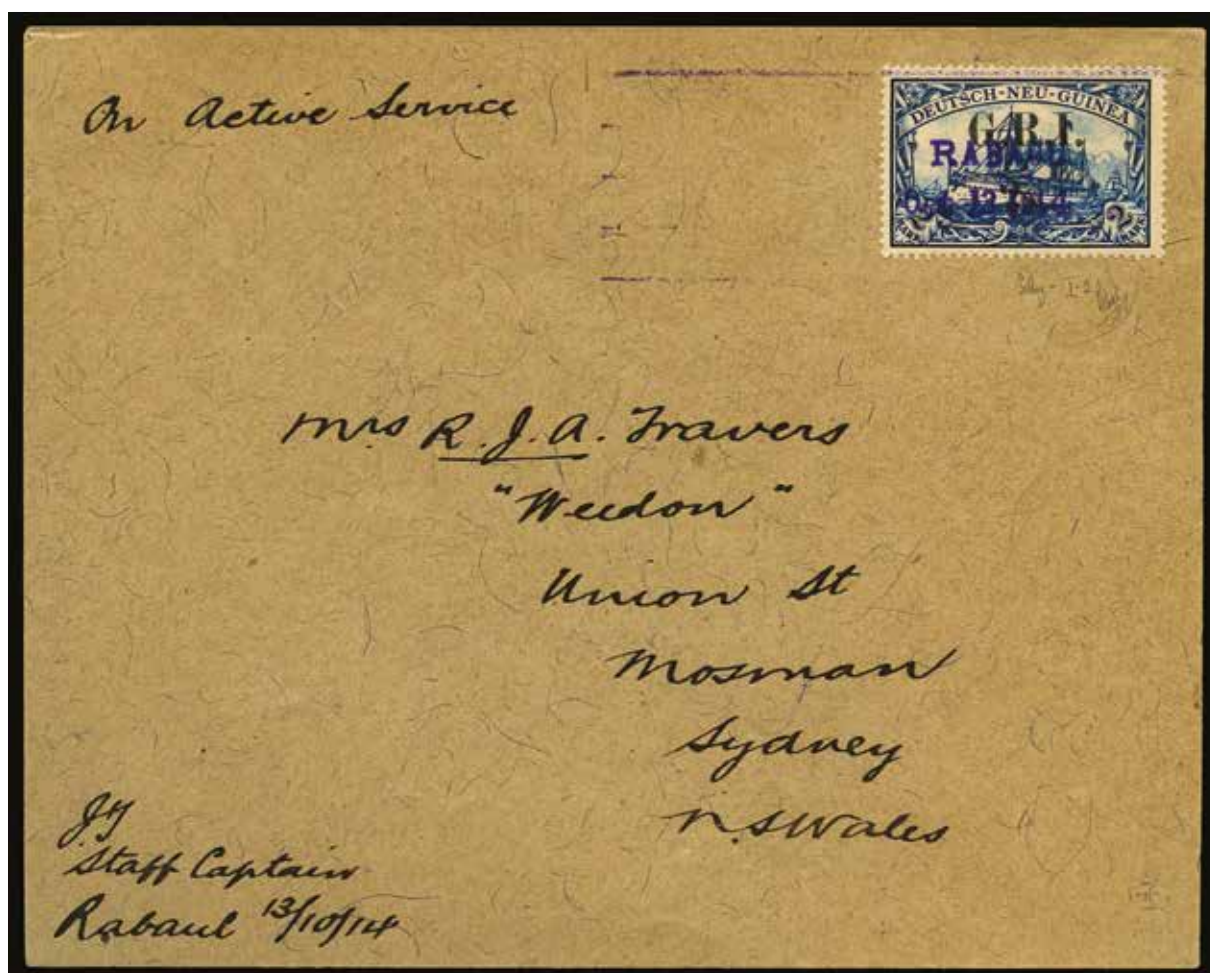
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SG O31/41 (Official) Official. 1931 'Bird of Paradise' set of 11 to 5s, with dates, fresh large part o.g. P190006679 £225



215

SG O42/54 (Official) Official. 1932-34 'Bird of Paradise' set of 13 to 5s, redrawn without dates, large part o.g. Odd minor gum blemishes (wrinkles, yellowing), still an attractive set with fresh colours. (cat £275) P190006677 £195



216

SG 13 (Cover) 1914 (Oct 13) cover to Mrs. R. J. A. Travers, Sydney from her husband Capt Travers, endorsed "On Active Service", franked by 1914-15 New Guinea 2s on 2m blue, 4mm space from setting 1 pos. 2, tied by very fine strike of RABAU type 1 two line datestamp in violet, four days before the official date of issue (Oct 17). With typed certificate on reverse "I hereby certify that the stamp attached to this envelope is one of the original stamps of the 16 sets issued by the Military Govt of New Guinea. Dated October 1st 1914", signed by Capt. Walter Fry, Treasurer. One of only nine covers (all to Mrs Travers, and each with a different value) known with this pre-release type 1 cancel. Superb and unique. Ex Gibbs and Creed, with BPA cert (1982). P167008993 £6,500



217

SG 3, 7a, 8, 33 (Cover) 1914 (Oct 17) 'Weller' registered first day cover (blue envelope with printed 'Hamburgische Südsee-Aktiengesellschaft / Hauptfiliale Rabaul' heading), bearing New Guinea 2d on 10pf carmine x5, 3d on 25pf black and red/yellow x2 (both from setting I, pos.

10, showing variety '1' for 'l'), and 3d on 30pf black and orange/buff x2, all with 6mm space from first setting, tied by individual very fine strikes of the two-line RABAU cancel in violet (Gibbs type 2). A 'RABAU' 3d black and red registration label (from setting A) was added later and tied by the type 5 'RABAU' straight line cancel in violet. Most attractive and undoubtedly unique with two examples of the 3d on 25pf variety. Detailed Holcombe cert (1992), giving plating. P190012066 £3,950



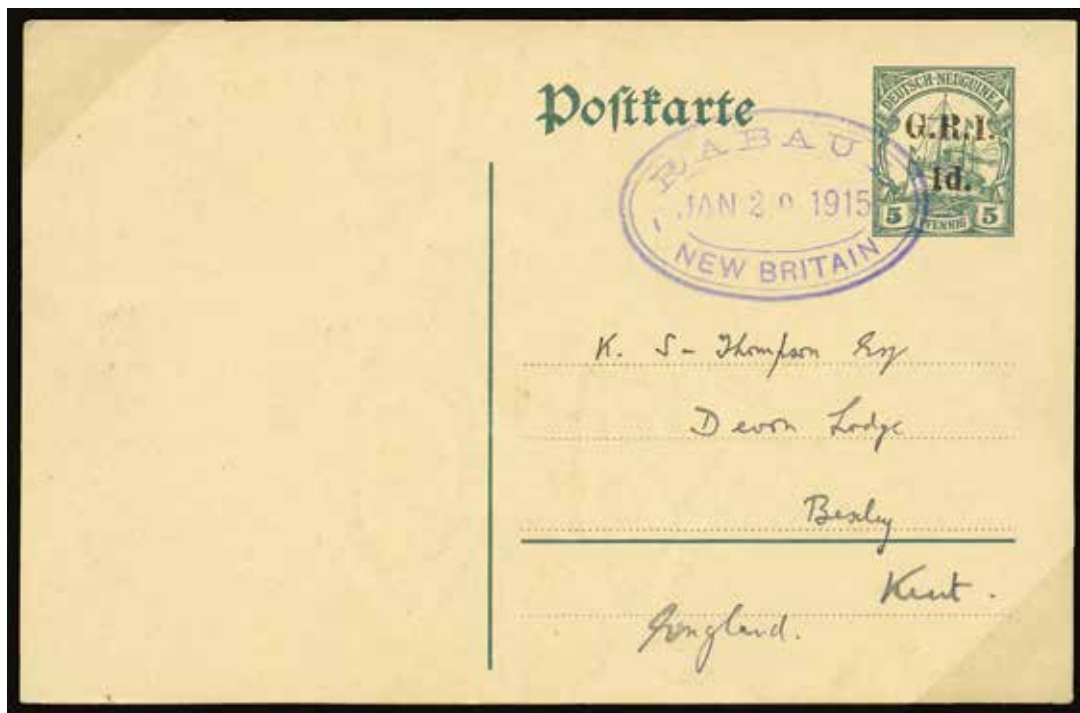
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SG 33, 50/3, 56/8 (Cover) 1915 (JAN 4) registered 'Weller' cover, bearing Marshall Islands 1d on 3pf brown, 1d on 5pf green, 2d on 10pf carmine, 2d on 20pf ultramarine, 4d on 40pf black and carmine, 5d on 50pf black and purple/buff, and 8d on 80pf black and carmine/rose, all with 5mm space from first setting, tied by six very fine strikes of 'RABAUL / NEW BRITAIN' oval ds (Gibbs type 8) in violet, with 'RABAUL' 3d black and red registration label (from setting A) subsequently added and tied by the same cancel. Very fine and appealing. P190012071 £2,250



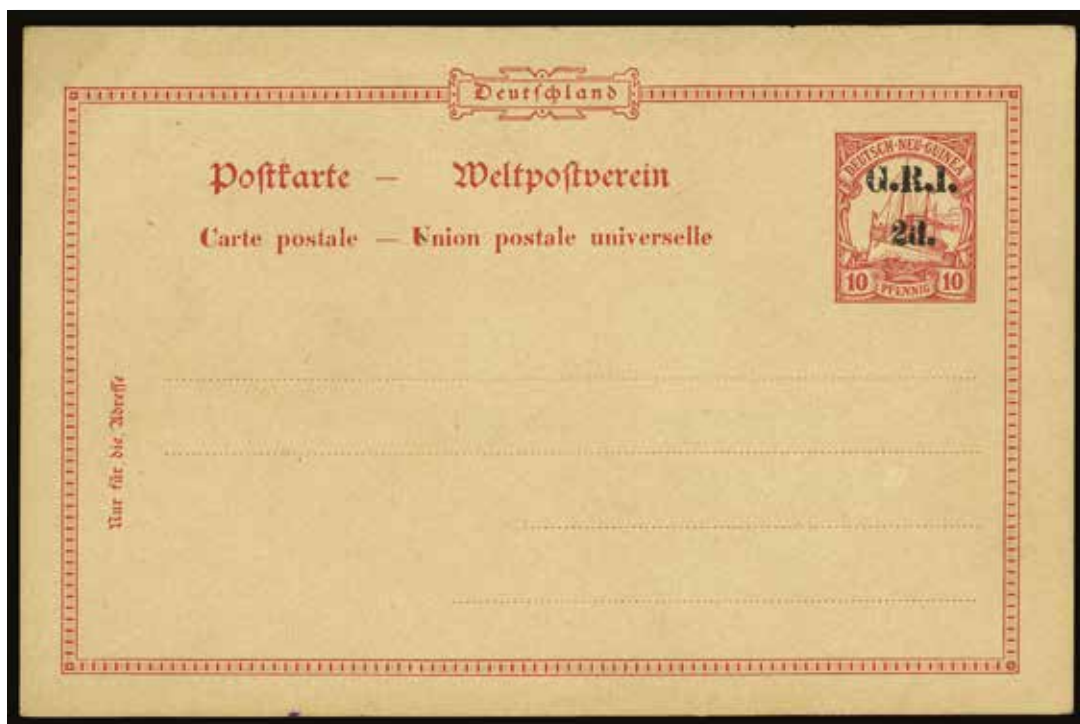
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(Cover) 1914 1d on 5pf green "DEUTSCH-NEUGUINEA" postcard (1913 issue with wmk), Gibbs setting "A" (later state), very fine unused. Scarce. Gibbs "G.R.I.", p.109 no. PS2. P178001856 £175



220

(Cover) 1915 (JAN 20) 1d on 5pf green "DEUTSCH-NEUGUINEA" postcard (1913 issue with wmk), Gibbs setting "A" (later state), used to England with violet oval "RABAUL/NEW BRITAIN" ds. Very fine and rare in used condition. Gibbs "G.R.I.", p.109 no. PS2. P178001857 £225



221

(Cover) 1914 2d on 10pf carmine "DEUTSCH-NEU-GUINEA" postcard, Gibbs setting "B", fine unused. Very scarce. Gibbs "G.R.I.", p.109 no. PS3. P178001862 £175

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222

SG 1a/9 (Mint) 1908 set of 9 to 1s (both), fresh and fine, large part o.g. to o.g. Only 2280 issued of 1/2d wmk CA, 1440 of 1s wmk CA. P190006828 £200



223

SG 10s/16s (Specimen) 1910 set of 7 to 1s, wmk MCA, type 2 (DLR) opt on Fiji, opt 'SPECIMEN', in horizontal pairs, fresh large part o.g. Odd minor blemishes (shortish perfs, one 2d with small surface abrasion) but a rare set in multiples. (cat £550+) P10113085 £475



224

SG 18/28 (Mint) 1911 British Currency set of 9 to 5s, wmk MCA, unmounted o.g. and scarce thus. Odd trivial gum wrinkles but very fine fresh appearance. P189004879 £110



225

SG 35 (Mint) 1920-21 2d on 40c red/yellow, surch type 4 on F27 (no wmk), left marginal, fresh o.g. (actually unmounted but typical gum wrinkles and minor offsetting). Only 1200 issued. (cat £130+) P14514680 £110



226

SG 35 (Mint) 1920-21 '2d.' on 40c red/yellow, French issue, wmk 'RF' in sheet, upper left corner vertical strip of 3, very fine unmounted o.g. Only 1200 issued, and a rare positional multiple, with matching strip on Wmk MCA paper (SG 34) for comparison. An attractive pair. P15604543 £375



227

SG 42a (Mint) 1924 (1 May) 5d on 2 1/2d ultramarine, ERROR SURCHARGE INVERTED, right marginal, o.g. Faintly yellowish gum as often, still very fine and rare. Spectacular! Clear BPA cert (1974). (cat £3500) P189015118 £2,750

Série de 11 valeurs des timbres-poste français actuels des Nouvelles-Hébrides avec indications pour la nouvelle émission proposée.

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<i>Change à Black on White</i>	<i>Change à Green on White</i>	<i>No change</i>	<i>Change à Blue on White</i>
 30,000	 45,000	 60,000	 45,000
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 <i>No change</i> 10,000	 <i>No change</i> 10,000	 <i>No change</i> 10,000

228

SG 43/51 (Proof) c.1924 pair of archival pieces (each approx 185x120mm and affixed to larger ledger pieces) respectively with 1911 set of 9 to 5s (English inscriptions) and 1911-13 set of 11 to 5f (French inscriptions), each altered by hand in black ink to show the required changes to the design required for the 1925 Dual Currency issue (original value deleted and English and French currencies added below the respective monograms) with quantities of each value required typed in red below. Prepared by the postmaster at Port Vila and forwarded to De La Rue, with pencil notations showing DLR's proposed changes of colour for each value. Unique and fascinating items. Ex Robson Lowe Melbourne (5 Aug 1976, lot 615), Stanley Jersey (CRL 18 Jun 1985, lot 323), David Feldman (28 May 2014, lot 41490, 41491).

P190013390 £2,250 Shown at 70%



229

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in brown (adopted for the 2½d) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, o.g. Minor perf blemishes but rare. P189015137 £195



230

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in ultramarine (adopted for the 5d) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, o.g. (traces of yellowing). Rare. P189015132 £225



231

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in purple (adopted for the 6d) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, large part o.g. (minor yellowing). Rare. P189015129 £225



232

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in green (issued colour) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, o.g. (minor gum yellowing). Rare. P189015136 £225



233

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in red (adopted for the French Issue 30c) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, o.g. Minor perf blemishes but rare. P189015125 £195



234

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in red on yellow (adopted for the French Issue 40c) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, fresh o.g. Slight perf imperfections, but rare. P189015134 £175



235

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in carmine on blue (as adopted for the French Issue 1f) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, fine o.g. Rare. P189015138 £275



236

SG 44 (Proof) 1925 1d (10c) COLOUR TRIAL in carmine on green (adopted for the French Issue 5f) on Script wmk paper, perf 14, o.g. Odd short perfs and tiny traces of gum yellowing, but rare. P189015139 £195



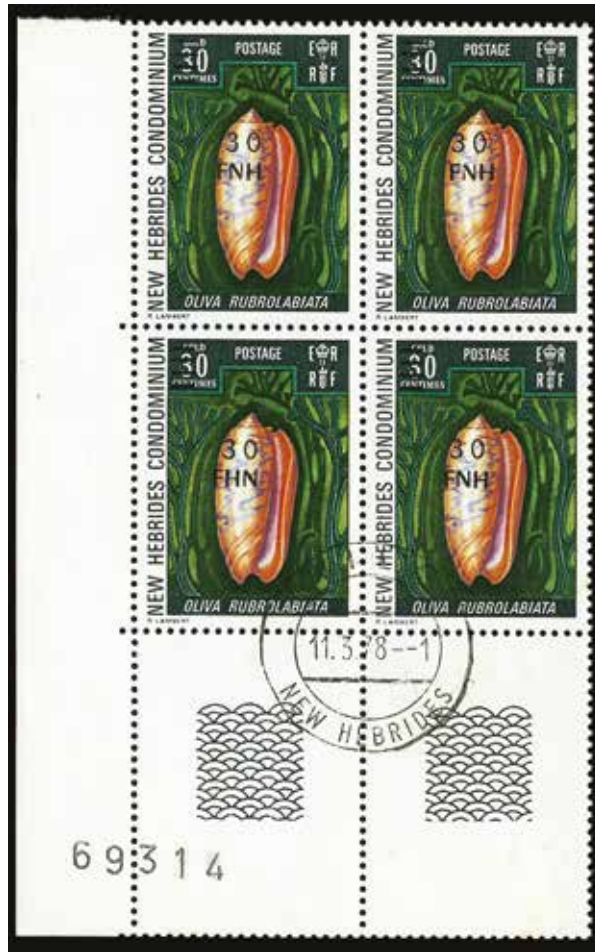
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SG 98a (Mint) 1972 5ct lake and greenish blue, marginal unmounted o.g. P189009620 £42



238

SG 237a (Mint) 1977-78 30f on 30c 'Shell', Port Vila local surcharge, lower left corner example with sheet number '57464' showing error 'FHN' for 'FNH' (R5/1), unmounted o.g. Rare in this positional form. P14509623 £1,300



239

SG 237/a (Used) 1977-78 30c on 30c "Shell", Port Vila local surcharge, lower left corner block of 4 with sheet number "69314", the lower left stamp showing error "FHN" for "FNH", the lower pair very fine c.t.o with "VILA / NEW HEBRIDES" cds, dated "11.3.78", the upper pair unmounted o.g. Attractive and rare in this positional form and condition. P189015158 £950



240

SG D6s/10s (Specimen) Postage Due. 1938 set of 5 to 1fr, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type B9), large part o.g. (typical minor gum wrinkles). 1fr with pulled perf, still a good set with fresh colours. Scarce. (cat £200) P14503946 £150



241

SG F6/10 (Mint) French Issues. 1910-11 set of 5 to 1fr, type F1/2 + F3 opt on New Caledonia, fresh large part o.g. P189014264 £60



242

SG F12 (Essay) French Issue. 1910 (June 14) stamp-size essay for the 1911 10c, printed in lake by a semi-photographic process on glazed paper, sunk-mounted in De La Rue card (85x80mm), with M/S date at upper right and bold M/S endorsement 'Duty to be left Blank' below. Some toning in the surround (not affecting the essay) but a very rare and important item. Ex Ray Baldwin (RL 22/2/1972, lot 336). [The design is basically as adopted, but differs in details, such as the 'NOUVELLES HEBRIDES' label and the value]. P15604542 £1,000



243

SG F42s/52s (Specimen) French Issues. 1925 set of 11 to 5fr (4s), opt "SPECIMEN", large part o.g. Some shortish perfs, still a fine set, much fresher than usually found. (cat £250) P189015120 £195



244

SG F53s/64s (Specimen) 1938 French Gold Currency set of 12 to 10f, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type B9), VERTICAL PAIRS (25c to 10f marginal) except 10c single, unmounted o.g. Odd shortish perfs and minor separations, still fine and rare multiples. P09012170 £650



245

SG F126/7 (Mint) French currency. 1965 ITU 15c and 60c, unmounted o.g. P12310764 £38



246

SG F234/46 (Mint) 1977 French issue new currency set of 13 to 500f on 10f, Paris surcharges, unmounted o.g. P178011727 £50



247

SG F247/55 (Mint) 1977 French issue new currency set of 9 to 500f on 10f, local surcharges, unmounted o.g. The 25f on 25c and 30f on 30c very scarce. P15610385 £450



248

SG F250/a (Mint) 1977-78 French issue 25f on 25c 'Shell', Port Vila local surcharge, lower left corner horizontal pair with sheet number '55377', the left stamp showing the error 'FHN' for 'FNH' (R5/1), unmounted o.g. Attractive and rare in this se-tenant positional form. Roumet cert (1999). P14509624 £795



249

SG FD53/7 (Postage Due) Postage Due. 1925 French issue set of 5 to 1f (10d), large part o.g. 20c with some gum toning, but generally fine fresh appearance. Scarce (cat £250) P14503945 £150



250

SG FD65s/9s (Specimen) Postage Due. French Issue 1938 'CHIFFRE TAXE' Gold set of 5 to 1fr, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type B9), brilliant o.g. (typical minor gum wrinkles). Scarce. P13407259 £180



251

SG 51, F42/3, F46, F50 (Cover) 1929 (16 JL) airmail cover from Port Vila to New Caledonia, franked by 1925 5f in combination with 1925 French Issue 5c (horizontal pair), 10c, 30c and 1f, each handstamped "PAR AVION" and tied by individual strikes of "NEW HEBRIDES - VILA" cds. Backstamped at Noumea (20 JUIL). A very fine and fascinating cover, carried on board the French cruiser "Tourville" (ppc included) to Noumea. The "Tourville" carried an amphibious seaplane, and it was proposed that mail posted at Port Vila would be loaded on to the plane for onward transmission to Noumea. The service was aborted when the seaplane suffered a mechanical fault, with all covers being forwarded by sea. Attractive and rare. P189015223 £495 Shown at 90%



252

SG D5 (Cover) 1932 (15 NO) incoming cover from Indochina, underfranked by 1922-23 4/5c cerise and black/bluish horizontal pair (SG 118) and 1931-41 "Junk" 2/5c brown-orange (SG 165), tied by two very fine strikes of blue "POSTE RURALE / BINH THUY / PROVINCE CANTHO" undated cancel, with large "T" tax mark below. The deficiency paid on arrival by 1925 Postage Due 10d (1f) carmine/blue (lower left corner example with part imprint), tied by two strikes of "NEW HEBRIDES / VILA" cds. Backstamped at Cantho (24.9) and Saigon (24.9). Philatelic, but a rare and highly attractive usage. P189015150 £450 Shown at 90%



253

SG FD54/5 (Cover) 1932 (15 NO) incoming cover from Indochina, underfranked by 1931-41 "Junk" 1c sepia (SG 168), tied by "TINHBIEN / COCHINCHINE", dated "24 9 32" (additional strike alongside), with triangular "T" tax mark below. The deficiency paid on arrival by vertical pairs of the French Issue 1925 Postage Due 20c greyish-slate and 30c red, each cancelled by a central strike of "NEW HEBRIDES / VILA" cds, with an additional strike alongside. Backstamped at Hando (25 9), Saigon (26 9) and Noumea (2 NOV). Philatelic, and some cover wrinkling, but a rare and attractive usage. P189015155 £395 Shown at 75%



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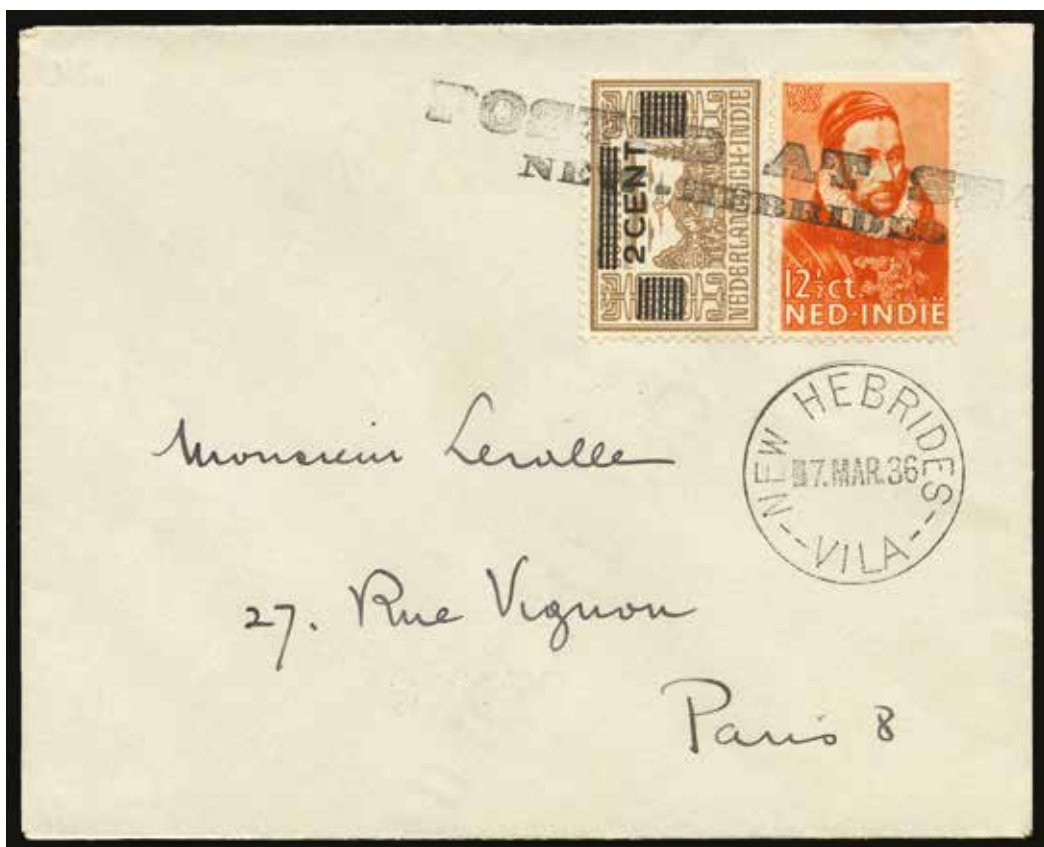
SG D1,3 (Cover) 1932 (15 NO) incoming cover from Indochina, underfranked by 1931-41 1c sepia "Junk" (SG 168) tied by "TINHBIEN / COCHINCHINE", dated "24 9 32" (additional strike alongside), with triangular "T" tax mark below. The deficiency paid on arrival by 1925 Postage Due 1d (10c) green and 3d (30c) red (left marginal strip of three), tied by "NEW HEBRIDES / VILA" cds with further strike alongside (additionally tying the Indochina adhesive). Chau Doc (25 9), Saigon (26 9) and Noumea (2 11) backstamps. Philatelic, but a rare and attractive usage. P178002011 £450 Shown at 75%



255

SG D5 (Cover) 1932 (25 NO) incoming cover from Indochina, underfranked by 1922-23 4/5c cerise/bluish (SG 118) and 1931-41 1/5c deep lake "Junk" (SG 164) tied by individual strikes of "TAKEO/CAMBODGE" cds, dated "27 9 32", with additional strike and triangular "T" tax mark alongside. The deficiency paid on arrival by 1925 Postage Due 10d (1f) carmine/blue, tied by "NEW HEBRIDES/VILA" cds with further strike alongside. Phnom Penh (27 9), Saigon (28 9) and Noumea (6 11) backstamps. Philatelic, but a rare and attractive usage.

P178002015 £450 Shown at 75%



256

(Cover) 1936 (7 MAR) "Leralle" cover to Paris, franked by Netherlands Indies 1933 William of Orange 12½c (SG 333) and 1934 2c on 20c brown (SG 366), tied by two-line "POSTAED AT SEA / NEW HEBRIDES" type 104 h/s (Hosking 1803 - rated "DD" : very rare) with "NEW HEBRIDES / VILA" cds below. Backstamped at Paris (18 IV). Very fine and scarce. [N.B. The type 104 h/s is recorded used in 1935-36 only.]

P189015199 £150



257

(Cover) 1936 (7 MAR) cover to Luxembourg, franked by Wallis and Futuna 1922-28 30c orange-red (SG 23) and 1f25 yellow-green and red-brown (SG 71), tied by boxed "PAQUEBOT" type 99 h/s (Hosking 1802 - rated "D") with "NOUVELLES HEBRIDES / PORT-VILA" cds below. Backstamped at Garnich (20.4). Very fine and neat. [N.B. A similar cover to Paris realised A\$270 in a September 2006 Prestige Philately auction.] P189015192 £125



258

(Cover) 1936 (3 AOUT) cover to Paris, franked by French Oceanic Settlements 1922-30 60c black and green (SG 57), tied by "N-HEBRIDES / PAQUEBOT" type 89 cds (Hosking 1804 - rated "D" : rare), with additional strike alongside. Backstamped at Vila (3 AUG) and Paris (12 IX). Attractive. P189015196 £95



259

(Cover) 1936 (3 AOUT) cover to Paris, franked by French Oceanic Settlements 1934-39 20c scarlet (SG 90) and 30c green (SG 92), tied by individual strikes of "N-HEBRIDES / PAQUEBOT" type 89 cds (Hosking 1804 - rated "D" : rare), with additional strike below. Backstamped at Vila (3 AUG). Minor traces of toning, still fine. P189015197 £75



260

SG . (Cover) 1937 (7 JUIL) "Leralle" cover to Paris, franked by New Caledonia 1937 Paris Exhibition 20c bright violet (SG 211) and 30c green (SG 212), tied by a single very fine strike of "N-HEBRIDES / PAQUEBOT" type 89 cds (Hosking 1804 - rated "D" : rare), with additional strike alongside. Backstamped at Port Vila (8 JUIL) and Paris (7.9). Mounting adhesions on reverse, still fine and attractive. P189015198 £95



261

SG 48, F44, F46/7 (Cover) 1937 (31 MR) paquebot cover to USA, franked by 1925 6d in combination with 1925 French Issue 20c, 30c, 40c (all left marginal), tied by three strikes of "NEW HEBRIDES / INTER-ISLES" type 93 cds, the 30c also tied by boxed "SERVICE INTERINSULAIRE / NOUVELLES-HEBRIDES" h/s. The face additionally with large part "SERVICE MARITIME / NOUVELLES HEBRIDES" type R57 registration cachet, "SCE INTERINSULAIRE DES NLES HEBRIDES" type 91 cds (31 MARS), and violet "SERVICE CONTRACTUELS / S.S. BUCEPHALE / DES MESS MAR" circular cachet, initialed and dated "Tanna 30/3/27". A couple of trivial cover blemishes, still fine and rare. P189015220 £350 Shown at 85%



262

Local 1897 Interisland Postage 1d black and pale magenta, IMPERFORATE lower right corner block of 30 (5x6), o.g. (stamps mostly unmounted). Odd minor imperfections (upper right stamp tiny surface scuffs) but a rare and impressive large multiple. Only one sheet of 120, discovered in 1989, believed to exist. P189015091 £1,250 Shown at 80%

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263

SG 16a (Mint) 1903 1s orange-red, type 8 surcharge ("Taha e"), brilliant o.g. Lovely new issue quality. P189014189 £45



264

SG 36 (Mint) 1918-29 10s maroon, De La Rue paper, fresh large part o.g. Only 1620 printed. P190007458 £140



265

SG 37c (Mint) 1918-29 £1 rose-pink, Cowan paper, fresh large part o.g. Only 1200 issued. P190007456 £160



266

SG 51/54 (Mint) 1931 Arms set of 4 to £1, type 10 opt, Cowan paper, very fine large part o.g. The 10s and £1 with Champion H/S on reverse. Only 3970 printed of top value. P190007461 £140



267

SG 79 (Mint) 1941(-67) 'Arms' 2s6d deep brown, type 17 opt, wmk 43 of NZ, lower right corner block of 4, brilliant unmounted o.g. Upper right stamp with gum bend but an extremely scarce block. Only 100 sheets printed. (cat £440+) P13404134 £395



268

SG MS1049/50 Miniature Sheet 2009 Niue scenes pair of miniature sheets, unmounted o.g. P11212681 £20

NORFOLK ISLAND



269

SG 4a (Mint) 1956 2d reddish violet on white paper, unmounted o.g. P189013075 £130

PAPUA



270

(Cancel) 1897 Queensland 2d blue (SG 234) tied to piece by "BNG" nine-bar obliterator of Samarai (Lee type 25) with confirming "SAMARAI/B.N.G." cds dated "7 JAN 98" alongside. Minor tones, still an attractive and scarce item in this form. P178006687 £85



271

SG 1 (Mint) 1901-05 1/2d black and yellow-green, horizontal wmk, thick paper, complete sheet of 30 (5x6) from vignette plate "1", showing "Sickle Flaw" on R6/3 and constant frame plate variety "White leaves" on R4/5 and R6/3, fresh o.g. Minor marginal separation and reinforcement, still fine and attractive with the stamps mostly remaining unmounted. A rare and interesting item. (cat £720++)

P189000234 £550 Shown at 95%



272

SG 2 (Mint) 1901-05 1d black and carmine, horizontal wmk, thick paper, complete sheet of 30 (5x6) from vignette plate "1", showing "Sickle Flaw" on R6/3, fresh unmounted o.g. (hinged in margin and on one stamp only). A rare and interesting item, in remarkably fine condition. P189000235 £550 Shown at 95%



273

SG 3 (Cancel) 1901-05 2d black and violet (wmk horizontal) with central strike of the rare "TAMATA / B.N.G" cds (Lee type 48), showing full date "2P AP 8 3". Some thinning, still a very good example. P189015827 £50



274

SG 3 (Cancel) 1901-05 2d black and violet, wmk horizontal, thick paper, with complete "LOOSE / SHIP / LETTER" cancel of Brisbane (similar to Lee type S4, Hosking #1358 - rated "D"). The stamp with rounded corner but a very fine strike. P178012396 £45



275

SG 8 (Mint) 1901-05 2s6d black and brown, thick paper, wmk horizontal, fresh and fine, large part o.g. Far above average for this stamp. P190007864 £650



276

SG 13a (Mint) 1901-05 4d black and sepia, wmk vertical, thick paper, showing the prominent pantograph variety "Deformed d at left" (R4/3), fresh and very well centred, large part o.g. Very scarce in this quality. P190013166 £700



277

SG 18, 19 (Mint) 1906 (8 Nov) 6d black and myrtle-green, 1s black and orange, type 3 (Port Moresby) opt, wmk horizontal, brilliant large part o.g. to o.g. 6d with tiny gum fault, still a lovely pair and wonderfully fresh. (cat £90) P190007866 £65



278

SG 20 (Mint) 1906 (8 Nov) 2s6d black and brown, type 3 (Port Moresby) opt, wmk horizontal, very fine o.g. P190007868 £170



279

SG 21/6 (Used) "1906 (8 Nov) short set of 7 to 6d, type 3 (Port Moresby) opt, wmk vertical, each in a marginal block of 4 (½d lower right corner, 2½d, 4d upper left corner, 6d upper right corner, 1d, 2d right marginal with centre guide) with full o.g. and fresh colours, the stamps individually cancelled by matching very fine PORT MORESBY cds, dated "18 MAY 07". The 4d affixed to large piece with the lower left stamp "tied", amply demonstrating how the stamps were cancelled "in situ"! Odd marginal faults (½d separation, 6d missing selvedge corner) and one 6d with minor toning, still highly attractive and desirable in this positional form. The 4d block a rarity, with only 99 sheets overprinted (both wmk). (cat £1116+)" P178004798 £950 Shown at 85%



280

SG 34 (Mint) 1907 ½d black and yellow-green, type 4 "Papua." opt of Brisbane, wmk horizontal, thin paper, complete sheet of 30 (5x6) from vignette plate "1" showing the complete setting including all the recognised constant varieties (inverted "d" for "p" on pos 10, 16, 21, dropped "pua" on pos 17, raised "a" on pos 19) as well as the constant frame plate variety "white leaves" on pos 20, o.g. (stamps mostly unmounted). Slight imperfections (gum yellowing, separation) but fine fresh appearance. An attractive and fascinating item, and a rare survival in this intact form, pos. 4 and 16 with retaining pinhole through rosettes as always. (cat £2250++) P189000238 £1,400 Shown at 95%



281

SG 35a (Mint) 1907 2½d black and ultramarine, wmk horizontal (thin paper), type 4 (Brisbane) opt, very fine o.g. P190007870 £80



282

SG 35a, 37, 38/44 (Mint) 1907 set of 8 to 2s6d, wmk horizontal (2½d - thin paper, 2s6d) or vertical, type 4 (Brisbane) opt, o.g. Odd minor bends or wrinkles, and 1s with oxidised colour, still an attractive representative set. (cat £351) P190007873 £225



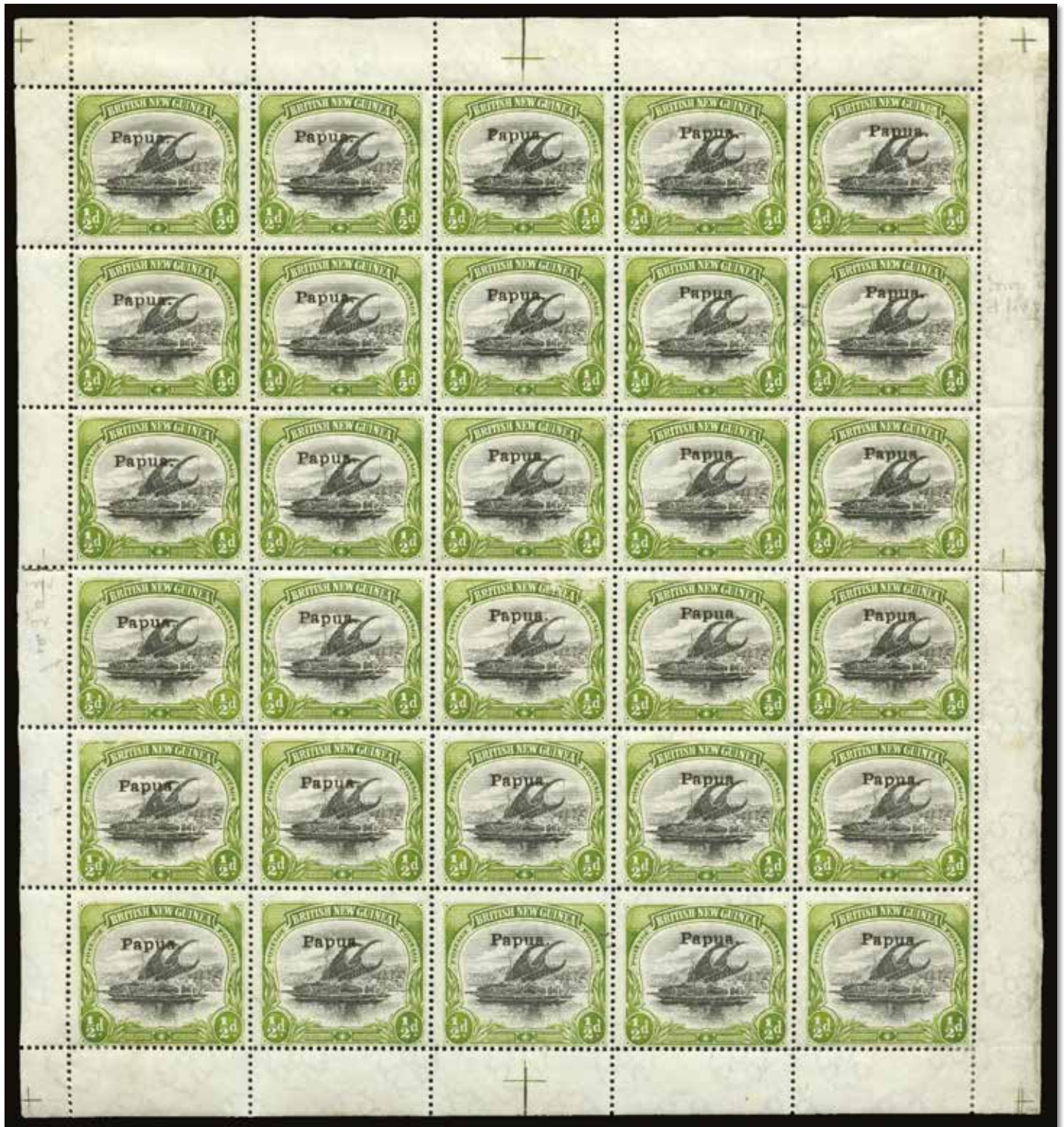
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SG 36 (Mint) 1907 1s black and orange, wmk horizontal (thick paper), type 4 (Brisbane) opt, o.g. Tiny corner bend and gum crease, but very fine fresh appearance. (cat £325) P190007871 £250



284

SG 37c (Used) 1907 (May-June) 2s6d black and brown, type 4 small "Papua." opt (Brisbane), thick paper wmk horizontal, ERROR OVERPRINT DOUBLE with the second impression (slightly above and to left) perfect but lightly inked, superb used with central Port Moresby cds, dated "24 JUL 09". Very rare, with few examples recorded. Holcombe cert (1989). P178004617 £6,000



285

SG 38 (Mint) 1907 1/2d black and yellow-green, type 4 "Papua." opt of Brisbane, wmk vertical, thin paper, complete sheet of 30 (5x6) from vignette plate "2" showing the complete setting including all the recognised constant varieties (inverted "d" for "p" on pos 10, 16, 21, dropped "pua" on pos 17, raised "a" on pos 19) as well as the constant frame plate variety "white leaves" on pos 20, fresh o.g. (stamps mostly unmounted). Slight imperfections (minor surface scuffs) but an attractive and fascinating item, and a rare survival in this intact form. (cat £690++) P178012387 £375 Shown at 95%



286

SG 40a (Mint) 1907 2d black and violet, thin paper wmk vertical, type 4 "Papua." opt of Brisbane, ERROR OPT DOUBLE, lower marginal block of 4 with guide cross, unmounted o.g. Pos. 22-23/27-28 from the one sheet of 30 that existed, showing plate variety "Unshaded leaves" on lower left stamp (pos. 27). Left pair with trivial traces of gum toning mentioned for accuracy, otherwise very fine, and a unique positional multiple. [This error remained unknown to the wider philatelic world until 2003 (first listed in Part 1 2004).] P178007573 £15,000



287

SG 42a (Mint) 1907 4d black and sepia, wmk vertical, thin paper, type 4 (Brisbane) small "Papua" opt, vertical pair, the lower stamp showing R4/3 pantograph variety Deformed "d" at left, very fine o.g. Attractive and very scarce in this se-tenant form. Only 171 possible. P189014826 £795



288

SG 42a (Used) 1907 4d black and sepia, wmk vertical, thin paper, type 4 (Brisbane) small "Papua" opt, showing R4/3 pantograph variety Deformed "d" at left, very fine used with large part PORT MORESBY cds, dated "28 MAY 08". Only 171 possible, and very scarce in this choice quality. P189014827 £850



289

SG 59/64, 71 (Mint) 1907-10 Small "Papua" set of 7 to 1s, wmk sideways, perf 11 (except 1s perf 12½), matching lower marginal, brilliant large part o.g. 4d and 6d each with minor bend, still a fine set with lovely fresh colours. (cat £76) P189014208 £65



290

SG 85 (Cancel) 1911-15 1d rose-pink with fine "SOERABAJA" (Java) arrival cds, dated "11.1.15", overstruck on legible "(VAN LI)NSCHOTEN" violet Dutch KPM ship H/S. Scarce maritime usage. P189015830 £50



291

SG 85, 93a, 94b (Cancel) 1911-16 1d pale scarlet, perf 14, with violet S/L "S.S. MORINDA" ship's cancel (Lee type S8) and Brisbane machine cancel, dated "23 AUG 15", and 1916-31 1/2d myrtle & pale olive-green and 1d grey-black & red, used together on piece with very fine violet S/L "S.S. Morinda" ship's cancel (Lee type S9, italic letters). The first with tiny traces of toning, but very scarce. P178012402 £95



292

SG 85w (Cancel) 1911-15 1d rose-carmine, wmk 8 (sideways), variety wmk Crown to RIGHT of A, with very fine unframed "LOOSE / SHIP / LETTER" cancel of Brisbane (Lee type S2, Hosking #1359 - rated "DD"). Unobtrusive corner perf crease, still very fine appearance. A very rare usage of the wmk variety. P178012391 £125



293

SG 93/105 (Mint) 1916-31 'Lakatoi' set of 13 to 10s, large part o.g. 2d and 2 1/2d with yellowish gum, still a very fine set with lovely fresh colours. P190007874 £225



294

SG 94bw, 96/b, 133 (Cancel) 1916-31 1d with very fine "QUEENSLAND" machine cancel (of Brisbane), and 2d x2 (Harrison and Ash) and 1932 2d pair on piece, each with very fine "BRISBANE" cds. A good group. P189015839 £55



295

SG 109w (Used) 1917 (Oct) 1d on 4d pale olive-green, variety Wmk Crown to right of A (from back), a lower marginal strip of three with "CA" and "JBC" monograms (R8/2-4), neatly cancelled by individual strikes of Port Moresby cds, dated "15 JAN 21" (the "1" in "21" inverted). Slight separation between first and second units (sensibly reinforced), and centre stamp with trivial marks on reverse, still very fine and rare in this positional form and condition. P178006971 £450



296

SG 113 (Mint) 1929-30 Air 3d sepia-black and bright blue-green, Harrison printing, type 10 opt, lower marginal block of 6 (3x2) with full imprint, o.g. (lower row unmounted). Odd insignificant specks on gum, still much fresher than usually found with lovely colour and appearance. Very scarce in this proving positional form. Only 150 sheets printed. P167004746 £325



297

SG 117a (Mint) 1930 Air 1s sepia and olive, Harrison printing, type 11 opt, ERROR OVERPRINT INVERTED, very fine o.g. An exceptional example of this dramatic error, with the plane 'looping the loop'. Only one sheet of 40 existed, and seldom on the market. Sanabria H/S on reverse as usual. P07800334 £15,000



298

SG 122, 133, 147 (Cancel) 1931 2d on 1½d and 1932 2d with very fine large part strikes of Dutch KPM oval ship cancels in violet, respectively "S.S. LE MAIRE" and "(S.)S. van REES", and 1934 50th Anniv 2d scarlet tied to piece by complete violet circular "SHIP / LETTER" (attributed to "S.S. Papuan Chief"). Last a little stained, nevertheless an attractive trio. Scarce maritime usages. P189015831 £95



299

SG 133 (Cancel) 1932-40 2d red, two examples respectively with complete "SHIP LETTER" circular ship's cancel in violet (Lee S10 - attributed to the Steamship Trading Company vessels "Papuan Chief" or "Veimaurai"), the second with part "(PAQU)EBOT" machine cancel of Brisbane (Hosking #1361). Small imperfections (first with slight thin), but a very useful pair, the first particularly attractive and scarce. P178012389 £65



300

SG 143 (Mint) 1932-40 5s black and olive-brown 'Policeman', brilliant o.g. Scarce so fine. P190007875 £70



301

SG 144 (Mint) 1932-40 10s violet, brilliant large part o.g. Very scarce so fine. P190007876 £150



302

SG 145 (Mint) 1932-40 £1 black and olive-grey, fine o.g. Very scarce. P190007877 £275



303

SG 150a/53a (Mint) 1935 Silver Jubilee 1d, 3d, and 5d, in lower marginal imprint pairs, each showing the "Accent" flaw on left stamp (R5/4), unmounted o.g. P189007905 £195



304

SG 150/a/53a (Mint) 1935 Silver Jubilee set of 4 to 5d, imprint blocks of 4, 1d, 3d and 5d each showing the 'Accent' flaw on lower left stamp (R5/4), brilliant unmounted o.g. Scarce and desirable in this form and condition. P178010351 £325



305

SG O23, 26 vars (Official) Official. 1908-10 "Small PAPUA" Wmk sideways perf $12\frac{1}{2}$ 2d black and purple, 1s black and orange, perf "O S", in matching lower left corner blocks of six (3x2) showing variety "Rift in clouds" on upper right stamp (pos. 23), c.t.o. at Port Moresby "11 OCT 10". Attractive positional multiples, the 1s scarce. P189014127 £250



306

SG O29, 31/5 (Official) Official. 1910-11 "Large PAPUA" 1/2d black and green (perf 12 1/2) and 2d to 1s, six values, perf "O S", in matching lower left corner blocks of six (3x2), c.t.o. at Port Moresby "11 OCT 10". Attractive positional multiples, the 1/2d and 2d uncommon even as singles. (cat £516+). P189014129 £450 Shown at 85%



307

SG O33/a (Official) Official. 1910-11 "Large PAPUA" 4d black and sepia, perf "O S", left marginal block of six (3x2) with centre guide, showing variety "Deformed d at left" on lower right stamp (R4/3), c.t.o. with individual strikes of Port Moresby "28 AUG 11" cds. A scarce positional multiple. P189014130 £195



308

SG O34 (Official) Official. 1910-11 "Large PAPUA" 6d black and myrtle-green, perf "O S", very fine and fresh o.g. Scarce. P189014144 £90



309

SG O34 (Official) Official. 1910-11 "Large PAPUA" 6d black and myrtle-green, perf "O S", lower marginal vertical pair with centre guide, unmounted o.g. Upper stamp with a toned perf, otherwise very fine and fresh. A very scarce unused multiple of this issue. (cat £180+). P189014139 £140



310

SG O34 (Official) Official. 1910-11 "Large PAPUA" 6d black and myrtle-green, perf "O S", lower left corner block of four, unmounted o.g. One stamp with a minor gum tone, otherwise very fine and fresh. An attractive and extremely scarce unused multiple of this issue. (cat £360++). P189014138 £325



311

SG O34/5 (Official) Official. 1910-11 "Large PAPUA" 6d black and myrtle-green and 1s black and deep orange, perf "O S", respectively in left and right marginal blocks of four, each with centre guide, c.t.o. with individual strikes of Port Moresby "28 AUG 11" cds. The 1s block with a couple of trivial tones, still a most attractive balanced pair, the 6d including the R4/1 "break in sail". (cat £68+). P189014131 £50



312

SG O39 (Cancel) Official. 1911-12 1d rose-pink, perf "OS", eight examples from a single document (of which seven were clearly used together, inclg probable horizontal and vertical pairs), cancelled by part to nearly complete strikes of a double-framed violet boxed ds (48x33mm) reading "MONEY ORDER SECTION / ACCOUNTANTS BRANCH / 19 JUN 1919 / GPO / PORT MORESBY, PAPUA" in five lines. A remarkable usage of perfin Official stamps, previously unknown to us. P189015843 £150 Shown at 85%



313

SG O49, var (Official) Official. 1930 2d deep brown-purple and lake, perf "O S", block of four, showing variety "Retouched rift in sky" on upper right stamp (R1/2), fresh and fine unmounted o.g. A very scarce multiple in this condition. P189014136 £225



314

SG O55/66 (Official) Official. 1931-32 'Lakatoi' set of 12 to 2s6d, type O1 'O S' opt, very fine large part o.g. P190007878 £130



315

SG O55/66a (Official) Official. 1931-32 set of 12 to 2s6d (Ash ptg), opt "OS", used. The 9d (faintly toned) and 1s3d with odd short perfs as often, otherwise fine with part to full Port Moresby cds. A difficult set to assemble. (cat £325). P189015527 £225



316

SG F1 Postal Fiscal Postal Fiscal. 1912 1d rose-pink, type F1 "Stamp Duty," opt, fresh large part o.g. Minor gum bends, but very fine appearance. Scarce. (cat £50) P178009026 £40



317

SG F1 Postal Fiscal Postal Fiscal. 1912 1d rose-pink, type F1 "Stamp Duty." opt, block of 25 being the upper five rows of a sheet with full margins, showing the complete opt setting on R1-4/1-5, from a late printing showing variety "Minute stop" on R3/3, fresh o.g. (stamps mostly unmounted). Lightly folded with a little separation and reinforcement between second and third rows, still very fine. A rare and most interesting multiple. Very scarce thus. (cat £1250+) P178009027 £950 *Shown at 85%*



318

(Revenue) Revenue. 1907-10 Small Papua 6d black and myrtle-green, wmk Crown over A (upright), perf 11, opt "Stamp Duty." (as type F1), left marginal with part centre guide (R4/1), very fine large part o.g. Attractive and scarce in this positional form. P189014281 £50



319

SG . (Cover) 1891 (28 AU) Cover from Port Moresby to Brisbane, franked by Queensland 1890-94 2d pale blue (SG 189), tied by very fine large part strike of 'B.N.G.' 8-bar obliterator, with very fine 'PORT MORESBY/BRITISH NEW GUINEA' despatch cds at left. COOKTOWN (SP 7) and BRISBANE (SE 16) backstamps. Minor marks, still fine and very scarce. P08914697 £850



320

SG 93w (Cover) 1925 (27 JUL) "Lakatoi" 4d orange on grey-blue registered P/S envelope (size H2), used to Port Moresby and uprated with 1916-31 ½d myrtle and apple green, wmk Crown to right of A (from back), cancelled by violet DARU.W.D./PAPUA cds (Lee type 44) with further strike below. Face with red M/S registration marking, backstamped at Port Moresby (27 JL). Light vertical fold in no way detracts from this attractive and very rare commercial usage. P178011315 £2,250 Shown at 80%

PAPUA NEW GUINEA



321

SG 736 (Mint) 1994 Provisional surcharge 50t on 35t mask, unmounted o.g. The key value of the set. P178011757 £90



322

SG 751a (Mint) 1995 Tourism 65t on 60t, lower left corner block of 9 with imprint, third stamp of top row (R8/3) showing variety "65t" omitted, unmounted o.g. P189016823 £32



323

SG D1 (Postage Due) Postage Due. 1960 6d on 7½d blue, type D1 surcharge, right marginal, neatly cancelled by part "4 MR 60" cds. Fine. P189014825 £450



324

SG D4a (Postage Due) Postage Due. 1960 6d on 7½d blue, type D2 surcharge, ERROR SURCHARGE DOUBLE, fine unmounted o.g. Rare. Only one sheet of 36 existed. "B & K" handstamp on reverse. P189003790 £1,200



325

SG D1 (Postage Due) 1960 (4 MR) cover from Port Moresby to Konedobu, underfranked by 1952-58 2d blue, tied by PORT MORESBY cds, with violet "T" tax mark, completed for 6d in M/S at left. The deficiency paid by 1960 (1 Mar) 6d on 7½d blue, type D1 surcharge, tied by KONEDOBU cds (without time code). Attractive and rare. P189015084 £650

PITCAIRN ISLAND



326

SG 1s/8s (Specimen) 1940 (-51) set of 8 to 2s6d, perf 'SPECIMEN' (type B9 - 1d, 3d, 2s6d or W8), large part o.g. (1d, 1½d, 3d, 2s6d) to unmounted o.g. Odd minor bends but a fine set with fresh colours. Extremely scarce and sought after. (cat £1400) P178002504 £1,200



327

SG 10a (Mint) 1946 Victory 3d blue, left marginal horizontal pair, the right stamp showing "Flagstaff flaw" (R8/2), unmounted o.g. P189007594 £60



328

SG 11/12 (Mint) 1949 RSW 1½d and 10s, unmounted o.g. P12309149 £40



329

SG 18/28 (Mint) 1957 set of twelve, unmounted o.g. P189016176 £50



330

SG 51a (Mint) 1965 1d ICY reddish purple and turquoise-green, variety 'TRISTAN DA CUNHA' offset on reverse in reddish purple, unmounted o.g. A rare and remarkable item. P14515831 £750



331

SG 69a (Mint) 1967 Decimal currency 1/2c on 1/4d, ERROR deep brown omitted, unmounted o.g. Rare and sought after. Normal for comparison. P12305737 £1,400



332

SG 208w (Mint) 1980 Handicrafts 20c 'Wheelbarrow', variety wmk Crown to right of CA (from back), left marginal block of 4, unmounted o.g. A very scarce multiple. P15610236 £475



333

SG 210w (Mint) 1980 Handicrafts 40c, upper marginal, variety wmk inverted, unmounted o.g. P178014107 £150



334

SG 215w (Mint) 1981 Landscapes 10c 'Tatrimoa', wmk variety Crown to right of CA (from back), unmounted o.g. Very scarce. P13409758 £325



335

SG 221w (Mint) 1981 Royal Wedding \$1.20, variety wmk inverted, lower marginal, unmounted o.g. P12304594 £60



336

SG 267var (Mint) 1985 Paintings \$2, showing the '1835' for '1825' error of inscription, unmounted o.g. (See footnote after SG 267 in Eastern Pacific sectional catalogue). P15610313 £45



337

SG 389/94 (Mint) 1991 Bicentenary (4th issue) sheetlet of 80c x6, unmounted o.g. P12304596 £18



338

SG MS795 . 2009 Royal Navy Visitors miniature sheet, fine used with '9 DEC 2009' cds. P12305646 £16



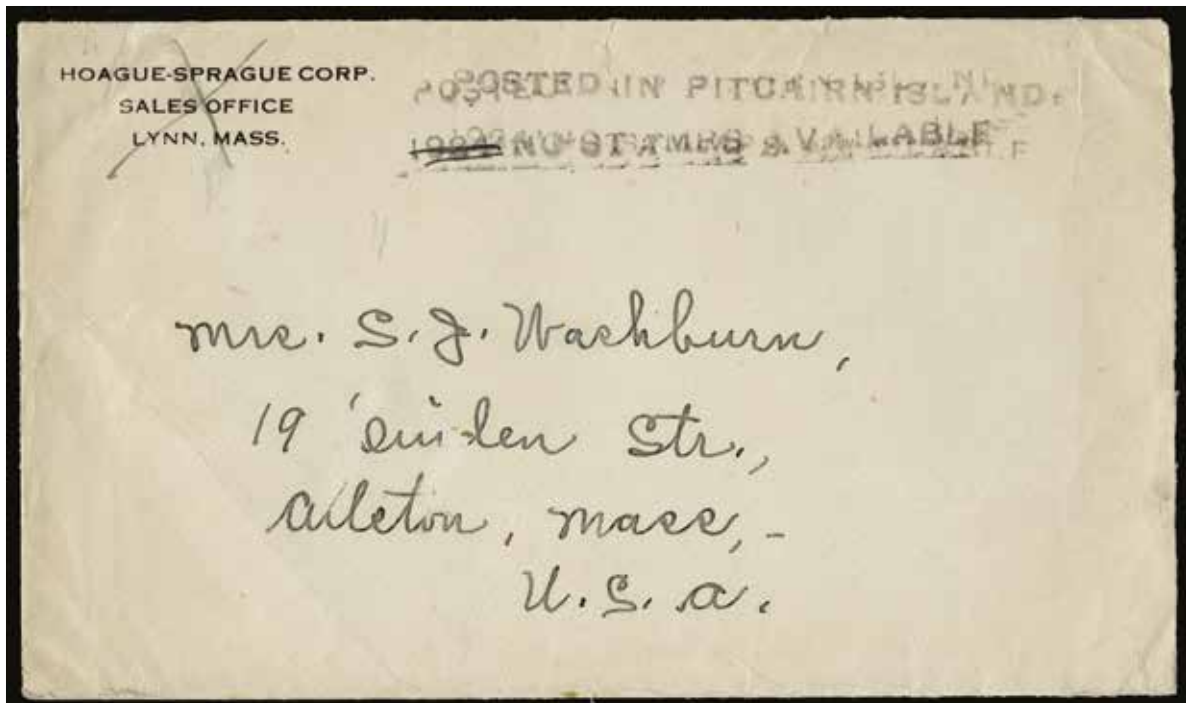
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SG C3 (Cover) 1925 (Feb 7) stampless cover (White Star Line embossed flag logo on flap) with letter on matching notepaper datelined "S.S. IONIC Feb 7", addressed to Harry Ingham, Octave Club, Elland, England, with very fine strike of type III cachet "POSTED AT PITCAIRN ISLAND/NO STAMPS AVAILABLE." in violet, partly overstruck by "LONDON/F.S.43" transit cds, dated "18 MR 25" with "1½D F.B" due mark below. The deficit paid by GB 1914-22 ½d emerald and 1d carmine postage due stamps, tied by individual strikes of "ELLAND" cds, dated "19 MR 25". Typical minor cover faults but a rare and attractive usage. (cat £2000) P178001361 £1,600



340

SG C3 (Cover) 1926(c.) stampless cover to 'General Post Office, Auckland or Wellington, N.Z.', addressed in the hand of R. E. Christian (and with red 'flag' logo on flap), with fine strike of type III 'POSTED AT PITCAIRN ISLAND/NO STAMPS AVAILABLE' cachet in violet, partly overstruck by 'TO PAY/2d' circular due mark. Typical slight cover faults but a rare and interesting usage from the final period (after March 1926) after the cancellation of the free postage concession. (cat £2000). P09009237 £1,250



341

SG C9 (Cover) 1925 stampless cover to Alleton, Mass., U.S.A., Washburn correspondence, with fine (slightly doubled) 'POSTED IN PITCAIRN ISLAND/1924 NO STAMPS AVAILABLE' large cachet in black (as type IV), with the year deleted in black M/S. Very fine 'CRISTOBAL CANAL ZONE' machine transit ds on reverse. Typical slight cover faults but a rare and highly unusual 'late' use of this cachet (clearly after 1/1/25!). (cat £2500+) P09009236 £1,700



342

(Cover) 1936 (JA) registered cover from Pitcairn to Birmingham, franked by Great Britain 1935 Silver Jubilee set of 4, tied by individual very fine strikes of Southampton Paquebot cds, dated "6 FE 36", with Southampton registration label at lower left. Backstamped with part "PITCAIRN ISLAND / N.Z. POSTAL AGENCY" type Z1 despatch cds. Minor marks, still a fine and striking cover. Most unusual. P189016976 £125

SAMOA



343

SG 6 (Used) 1877-80 'EXPRESS' 6d bright violet, 2nd state, perf 12½, lower marginal (pos. 7), centrally cancelled by light APIA cds, dated 'MAY 19 1879'. Typical perfs and minor creasing, still a pleasing example of this very scarce stamp. (cat £700) P190004040 £425



344

SG 7 (Mint) 1877-80 'EXPRESS' 1s dull yellow, 2nd state, perf 12½, block of 4 from R1-2/2-3 on the sheet, large part o.g. Shows part papermaker's wmk. The gum rather dry (with slight tones on reverse of left pair) but fine fresh appearance. A rare block, with 'H.G. & Co' (= Hugo Griebert) guarantee mark on reverse. P13407652 £1,100



345

SG 8 (Mint) 1877-80 "EXPRESS" 2s red-brown, 2nd state, perf 12½, horizontal pair from pos. 2-3 on the sheet, large part o.g. Typical perfs and centring, and right stamp with a couple of lightly toned perfs, otherwise fine and fresh. A very scarce multiple, with clear BPA cert (1990). (cat £750+). P189004640 £495



346

SG 15 (Mint) 1877-80 'EXPRESS' 1d blue, 3rd state, perf 12, complete sheet of 20 (5x4) showing part '(WH)ATMAN / (18)81' papermaker's watermark, large part o.g. (four unmounted). Odd minor perf tones, still fine fresh appearance. Attractive and very scarce in this intact form. Signed Holcombe. (cat £800++) P190004046 £650



347

SG 16 (Mint) 1877-80 'EXPRESS' 3d vermilion, 3rd state, perf 12, complete sheet of 10 (5x2), o.g. Faintly toned, and pos. 2 with a couple of minor thins, still fine appearance. Attractive and very scarce in this intact form. Clear RPS cert (2013). (cat £700+) P190004048 £450



348

SG 18 (Mint) 1877-80 "EXPRESS" 2s deep brown, 3rd state, perf 12, block of 4 from R1-2/3-4, large part o.g. A fine and very scarce multiple. P167010687 £1,000



349

SG 20 (Mint) 1877-80 "EXPRESS" 9d orange-brown, 4th state, perf 12, complete sheet of 10 (5x2), with fresh colour, large part o.g. Usual minor marks from gum but really fine condition. Scarce as a sheet. P167010689 £750



350

SG 20 (Used) 1877-80 Express 9d orange-brown, state IV, pos. 8 on sheet, used with very light but discernible strike of APIA cds which appears to be in violet ink rather than the usual black. Minor creasing and small perf faults but an interesting stamp. Pale shade. (cat £375+) P11207621 £95



351

SG 64ba (Mint) 1886-1900 2d6d deep purple/toned, perf 11, wmk 4b (reversed), vertical pair, error imperforate between, large part o.g. Very fine appearance and rare. P13401925 £450



352

SG 71 (Proof) 1894 5d "Flag", trial colour die proofs in lilac, olive-yellow and dull red (near issued colour) on medium wove. A fine and scarce trio. P167010690 £250



353

SG 79a (Mint) 1895-1900 3d on 2d orange-yellow, type 10 handstamped surcharge in black, perf 11, vertical pair, ERROR IMPERFORATE BETWEEN, fresh large part o.g. Typical centring but really fine for this rarity, and the actual example illustrated on p.155 of Odenweller's book. P167010691 £600



354

SG 84a (Used) 1898-99 2½d on 1d bluish green, type 11 surcharge in red, error surcharge inverted, neatly cancelled by 'APIA' cds, dated 'OC 6 99'. Odd short perfs as often otherwise fine and rare. RPSL cert (1965) as former SG79a. (cat £425) P13412782 £325



355

SG 101c (Mint) 1914 (3 Sep) ½d on 3pf brown, variety 'Comma after I', fresh part o.g. Tiny surface blemish but fine appearance and rare. Only 40 existed, from pos. 10 of the setting in the small initial printing. [See Gibbs, 'G.R.I.', p.261, para 7]. Clear BPA cert (1998). Ex Gilbert. (cat £700) P16704738 £350



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SG 101/c (Mint) 1914 (3 Sep) ½d on 3pf brown, vertical pair from foot of sheet, the lower stamp showing variety Comma after "I", very fine o.g. (variety unmounted). Only 40 existed, from pos. 10 of the setting in the small initial printing. [See Gibbs, "G.R.I.", p.261, para 7]. BPA cert (1978). P189012315 £750



357

SG 104d (Mint) 1914 (3 Sep) 2½d on 20pf ultramarine, variety 'Comma after I', lower marginal with 'Samoa' imprint, very fine large part o.g. A very rare positional example, as the variety occurred only on the first four sheets of the second printing, on pos. 10 in the vertical setting of 10, yielding just 40 examples. [See Gibbs, 'G.R.I.', p.261, para 7]. BPA cert (1998). Ex Gilbert. P16704739 £550



358

SG 112 (Used) 1914 2s on 2m blue, neatly tied to piece by large part Apia "30.10.14" cds. A very fine example of this rarity of which only 126 were issued. BPA cert (2017). P178006212 £3,000



359

SG . (Essay) 1920 (2 Sept) proposed pictorial issue, composite group of four Bradbury Wilkinson unadopted 'bromide' essays (1d x2, 6d, 1s) on photographic paper (65x90mm), neatly affixed to piece of the printer's daily record book, with M/S date '2/9/20' at top. Some deterioration of two images, nevertheless a unique and important item. P16705406 £125



360

SG 122 (Mint) 1914-24 2s blue, De La Rue paper, perf 14, fresh and fine, large part o.g. Only 1400 printed. P190009319 £100



361

SG 123/25 (Mint) 1914-24 2s6d grey-brown, 5s yellow-green, 10s maroon, De La Rue paper, perf 14, fresh large part o.g. A fine trio, the 5s with notable plate wear under the Queen's chin. P190009322 £75



362

SG 126 (Mint) 1914-24 £1 rose-carmine, De la Rue paper, perf 14, fresh large part o.g. Typical centring, still fine. Only 5700 printed. P190009316 £75



363

SG 149/64 (Used) 1921 "Huts" complete set of 16 to 1s, with both perfs of 1/2d to 2d values, fine used, the 3d and 5d to 1s with part strikes of Palauli cds. P167002226 £150



364

SG 149/52/64 (Cancel) 1921 "Huts" basic set of 12 to 1s, the 1/2d to 2d perf 14x14 1/2, 2 1/2d to 1s perf 14x13 1/2, selected for part strikes of the scarcer PALAULI cds. Attractive. P167002229 £130



365

SG 150, 152 (Mint) 1921 "Huts" Perf 14x14½ 1d upper marginal block of 4 and 2d upper left corner single, respectively with plate numbers "44" and "46", o.g. (stamps unmounted). The 1d block with minor toning and marginal crease (just affecting one stamp) and the 2d with tear in margin just clear of the number, but scarce items. P167002248 £85



366

SG 151, 4, 9/60 (Mint) 1921 "Huts" Perf 14x14½ 1½d and perf 14x13½ 1d, 4d, 5d, in matching lower marginal blocks of 4, each preserving the full "Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ld. Engravers London" imprint, unmounted o.g. [The 1d apparently from late printing on "Esparto" paper]. Some folded perfs and the 1½d and 5d blocks with lightly toned gum as often, but most attractive and scarce in this form. Total sales of the 4d and 5d values were equivalent to 376 and 336 sheets respectively. P167002246 £85



367

SG 153/64 (Used) 1921 "Huts" perf 14 x 13½ set of 12 to 1s, fine used, each with clear part cds. P167002233 £110



368

SG 153/64 (Proof) 1921 'Hut' set of 12 to 1s, imperforate plate proof horizontal pairs in indigo on wove (the 2½d and 9d values affixed to card). Printed by Bradbury Wilkinson before the plates were despatched to New Zealand. Odd imperfections (2d pair and one 1s with light creases) but an unusual set. P10113874 £495



369

SG 157/8 (Used) 1921 "Huts" 2½d grey-blue and 3d sepia, each in a fine used block of 4, the former with central "APIA" cds dated "7 JA 25". Uncommon multiples. P167002251 £60



370

SG 166a (Mint) 1925-28 3s mauve, Cowan paper, brilliant large part o.g. Only 2040 sold. P190009310 £70



371

SG 171/4 (Mint) 1932 'Arms' set of 4 to £1, Cowan paper, type 15 opt, brilliant large part o.g. Only 4720 sets sold. P190009325 £150



372

SG 183 (Proof) 1935 2½d, essay die proof of vignette ('Chief and wife'), slightly smaller than issued, by the Czech engraver Bohumil Heinz, in grey-black on glazed wove (31x35mm). P08908126 £250



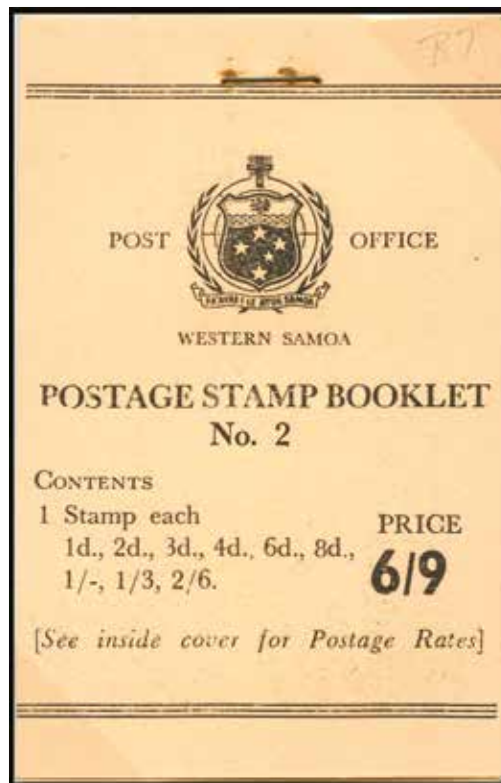
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SG 199var (Mint) 1940 1½d brown, WITHOUT SURCHARGE, block of 4, fresh without gum. Fractionally trimmed perfs at foot but very scarce. Never issued in this form, and unknown until the dispersal of the Bradbury Wilkinson archive. P15607962 £800



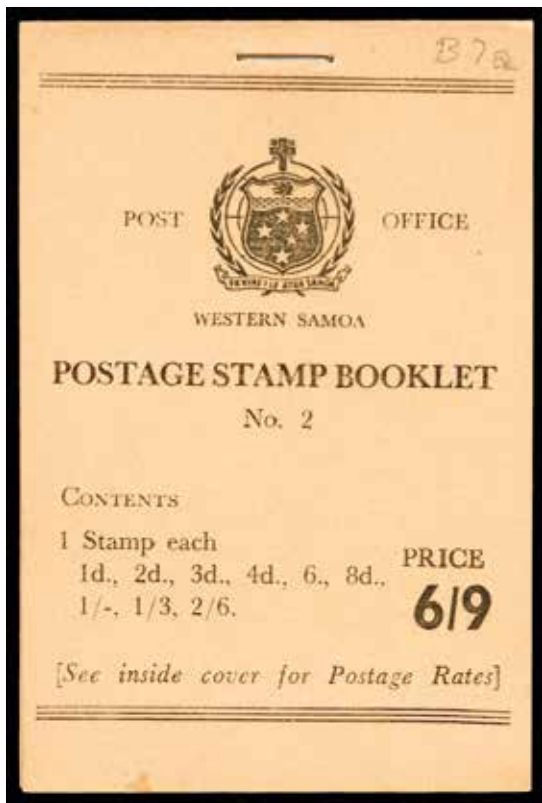
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SG 213 (Mint) 1945-53 'Arms' £3 green, wmk 98 of NZ, fine unmounted o.g. P190013236 £300



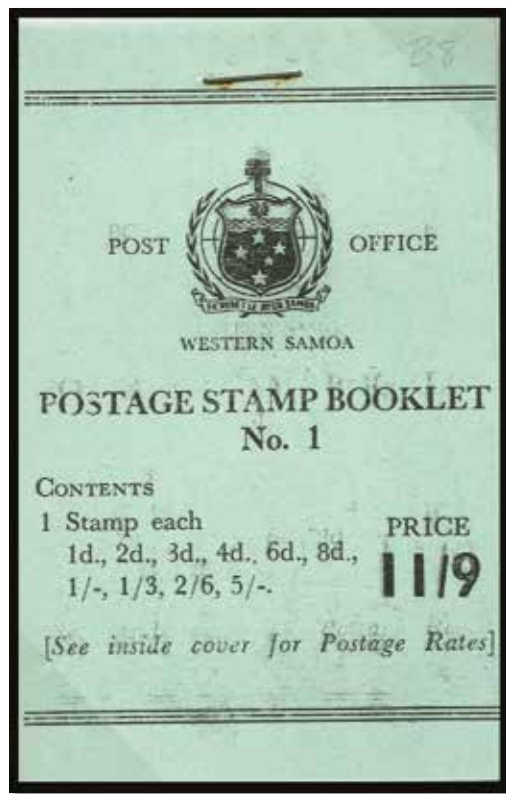
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SG SB7 Booklet 1962 (1 Sept) 6s9d booklet, black/buff cover, containing 1962 short set of 9 to 2s6d (SG 239/47) loose in cellophane bag, with imprint '300/9/62'. Only 300 produced of this first printing. Minor staple rust as often. P11207667 £40



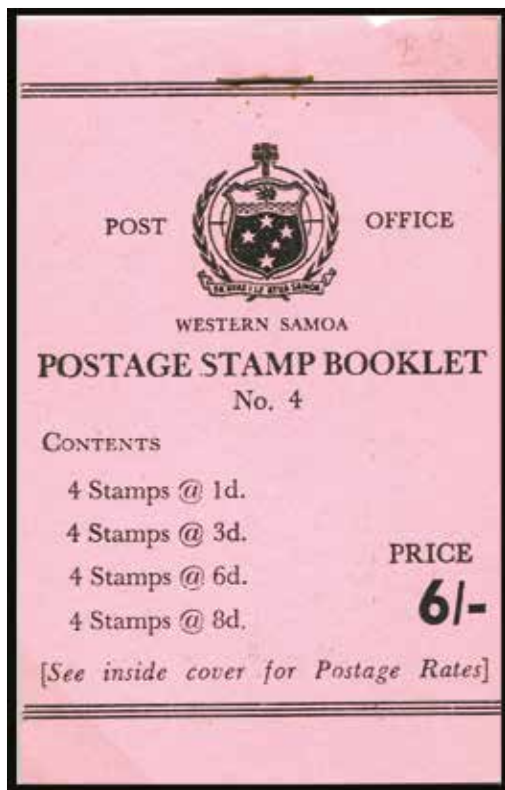
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SG SB7 Booklet 1962 6s9d booklet, black/buff cover, containing 1962 short set of 9 to 2s6d (SG 239/47), loose in cellophane bag, second printing (Sept 1964) with '300/9/64' imprint. Only 300 produced. P11207700 £48



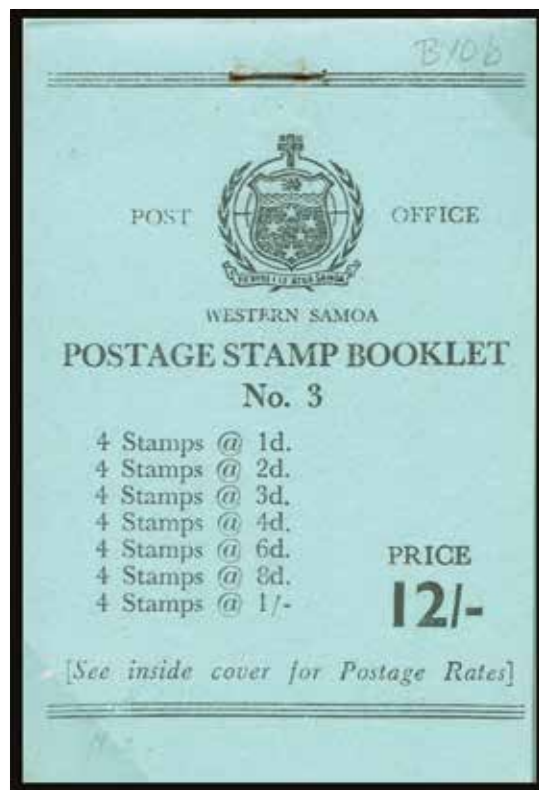
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SG SB8 Booklet 1962 (1 Sept) 11s9d booklet black/green cover, containing 1962 set of 10 to 5s (SG 239/48) loose in cellophane bag, with imprint '300/9/62'. Only 300 produced of this first printing. Minor staple rust as often. P11207672 £40



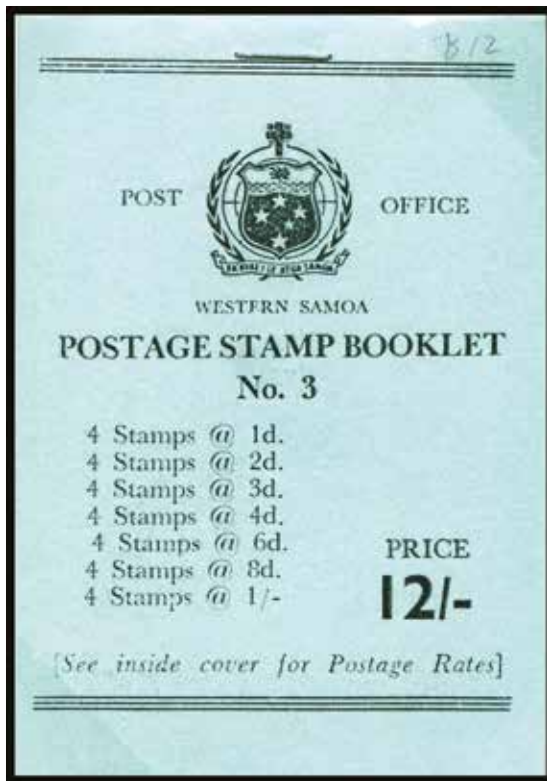
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SG SB9 Booklet 1962-64 6s booklet, black/pink cover, containing panes of 1962 issue (wmk NZ & star, SG 239/44), second printing (May 1964) with '300/5/64' imprint. Only 300 produced. P11207681 £42



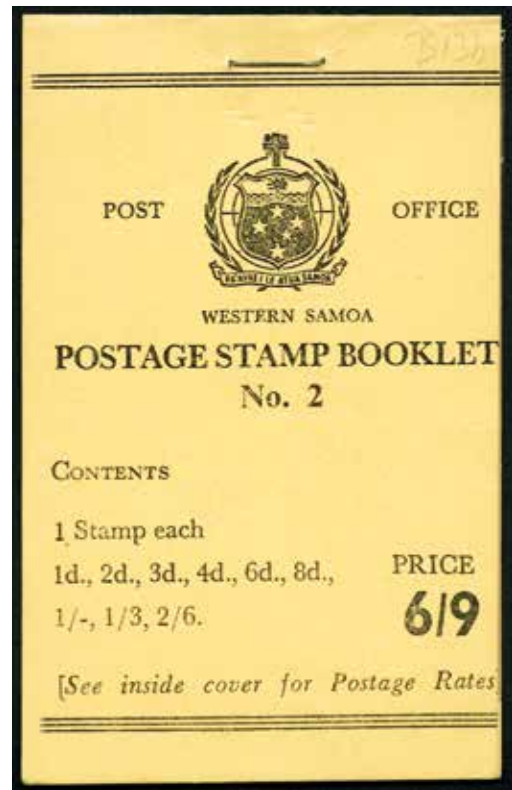
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SG SB10 Booklet 1962-64 12s booklet, black/blue cover, with panes of 1962 issue (wmk NZ & star, SG 239/45), third printing (Sept 1964) with '300/9/64' imprint. Only 300 produced. P11207704 £42



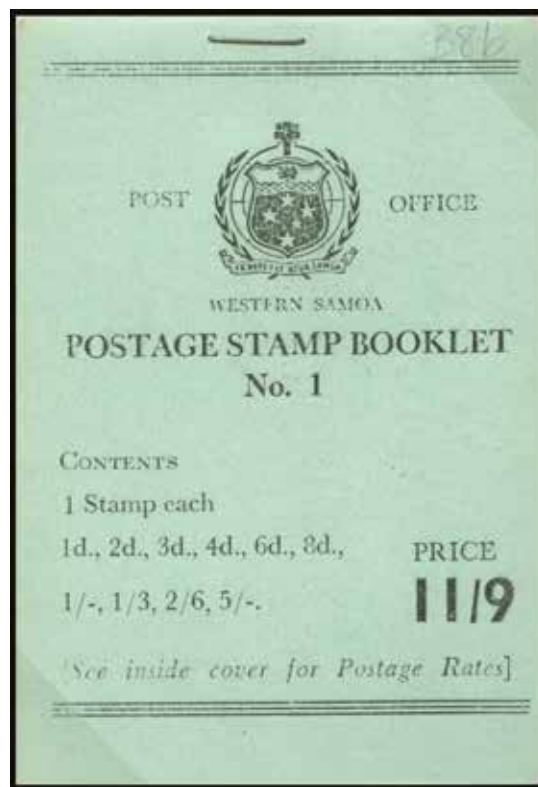
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SG SB12a Booklet 1964-67 12s booklet, black/blue cover, with MIXED WMK panes of 1962 (2d, 6d, 8d, 1s, wmk NZ & star) and 1965-66 issue (1d, 3d, 4d, wmk Kava bowl), with '500/2/65' imprint. A very scarce make-up. P11207692 £125



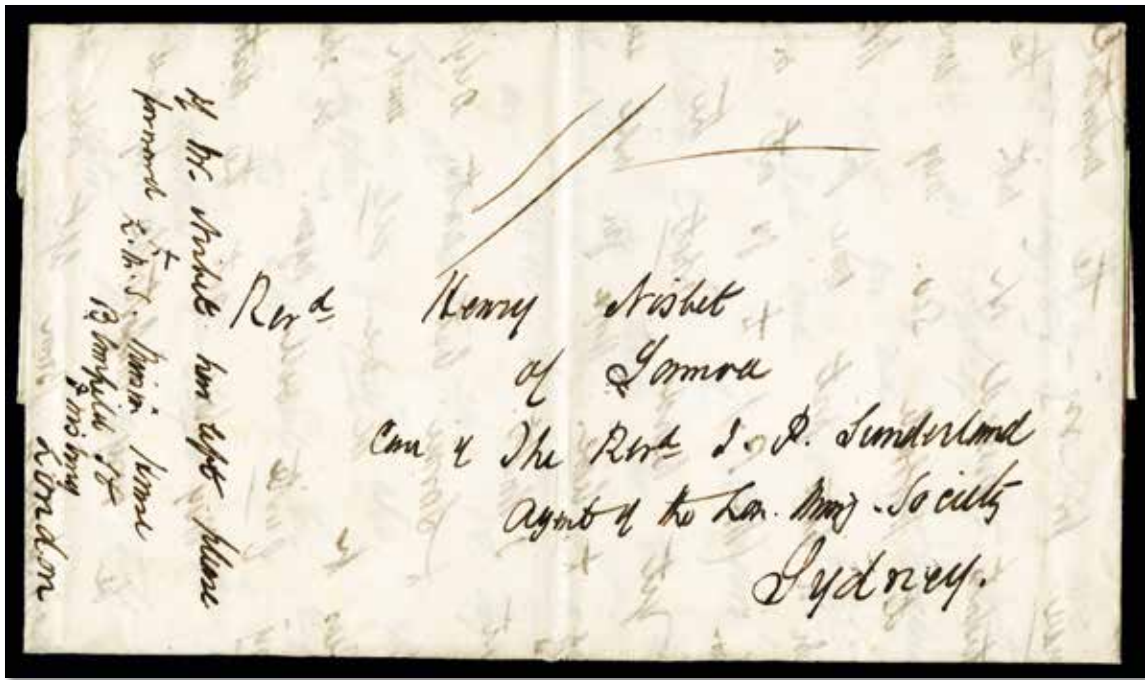
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SG SB13 Booklet 1965-67 6s9d booklet, black/yellow (rather than buff) cover, containing 1962 and 1965-66 MIXED WMK basic short set of 8 to 2s6d, loose in cellophane bag, with '250/4/67' imprint. Unopened, with precise contents unknown ! Final printing. P11207690 £42



382

SG SB14 Booklet 1965-67 11s9d booklet, black/green cover, containing 1962 and 1965-66 MIXED WMK basic set of 9 to 5s, loose in cellophane bag, with '500/2/65' imprint. Unopened, with precise contents unknown ! P11207693 £50



383

(Cover) 1847 (31 Dec) entire letter from Rev. George Turner at Malua to 'Revd Henry Nisbet of Samoa, care of the Revd J. P. Sunderland, Agent of the Lon. Miss. Society, Sydney', with 'SHIP-LETTER/SYDNEY' arrival cds (MR 9 18(4)8) on upper flap, which would open for display. Rated '1/-', with interesting sender's endorsement on face panel 'If Mr Nisbet has left please forward to L.M.S. Mission House London', which clearly proved an unnecessary precaution. The fascinating contents make reference to the difficulties of communications (with the charming comment 'The Post Office folks are out best friends after all') and describe recent missionary activity in Samoa. A desirable early letter between two important figures in the development of Samoa. P11207647 £750

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384

SG 2b (Mint) 1886-88 2d pale violet, pef 12 x 11½, brilliant large part o.g. Far above average. P167003670 £45



385

SG 2b, 3ab (Mint) 1886-88 2d pale violet, 6d dull blue, perf 12 x 11½. fresh large part o.g. Typical centring but fine for this issue. (cat £80) P167003721 £60



386

SG 3 (Mint) 1886-88 6d blue, perf 12½, fresh and fine o.g. Choice quality for this issue. P167003660 £60



387

SG 4 (Proof) 1886(-88) King George I 1s, die proof in green on buff card (50x63mm), showing slight doubling of outer frameline. Very fine and rare. P178013246 £450



388

SG 6/a (Mint) 1891 (10 Nov) 8d on 2d violet, type 4 surcharge, horizontal pair, the right stamp variety "Short T in EIGHT", fresh large part o.g. Fine and very scarce. Only 50 sheets surcharged. P167003718 £200



389

SG 7 (Mint) 1891 (23 Nov) 1d carmine, perf 12½, "stars" opt, horizontal pair from foot of sheet with plate marking, part o.g. Some faults (slight toning, separation between, right stamp with unobtrusive surface defect), still fine appearance. An extremely scarce positional multiple. Less than 50 sheets were overprinted. (cat £100++) P167003719 £50



390

SG 7/8 (Mint) 1891 (23 Nov) 1d carmine and 2d violet, perf 12½, "stars" opt, part o.g. Minor gum blemishes but fine appearance. (cat £130) P167003720 £80



391

SG 8 (Mint) 1891 (23 Nov) 2d violet, perf 12½, optd with two stars, brilliant large part o.g. Far above average. P190010201 £80



392

SG 10/14 (Mint) 1892 (10 Nov) set of 5 to 1s, part to large part o.g. with very fresh colours. The 1s value off-centre, but far above average for this difficult set. (cat £225) P190010202 £175



393

SG 10 (Proof) 1892 1d pale rose, imperforate plate proof horizontal pair with good to large margins, on horizontally laid paper. Small hinge thin but fine appearance and rare. P167002940 £140



394

SG 10 (Proof) 1892 "Arms of Tonga" 1d, two die proofs in black and blue (latter with horizontal bend), each on yellowish wove (c. 25x29mm). A couple of minor tone specks, still attractive and rare. P167010637 £140



395

SG 10,12 (Proof) 1892 "Arms of Tonga", three die proofs in unissued colours comprising 1d black, 1d blue and 4d pale red-brown, each on yellowish wove (c. 24-25x27-29mm). A rare and attractive trio, in very fine condition. P167009686 £325



396

SG 11 (Proof) 1892 2d plate proof in black on vertically laid paper, imperforate horizontal strip of 3 with large to mostly very large margins (reduced sheet margin at foot). Right stamp with vertical crease, not affecting fine appearance. Rare. P167002943 £175



397

SG 11 (Proof) 1892 "King George I" 2d, two die proofs in black and rose-carmine, on yellowish wove (c. 23x28mm). A rare and attractive pair in very fine condition. P167010365 £225



398

SG 12 (Proof) 1892 "Arms of Tonga" 4d, two die proofs in black and red-brown, each on yellowish wove (c. 25x29mm). A rare and attractive pair, in very fine condition. P167010638 £195



399

SG 13 (Proof) 1892 "King George I" 8d, five die proofs in grey-blue, violet-blue, grey-lilac, black and chestnut, on yellowish wove (c. 25x27-30mm). A rare and attractive group in very fine condition. P167010367 £495



400

SG 13 (Proof) 1892 8d bright mauve, imperforate plate proof horizontal pair with large margins except close at right, on unwmkd wove. Fine and rare. P167002941 £150



401

SG 13 (Proof) 1892 "King George I" 8d, three die proofs in red-brown, violet-blue and grey-blue, each on yellowish wove (c. 25x28-30mm). A rare and attractive trio, in very fine condition. P167002939 £395



402

SG 14 (Proof) 1892 "King George I" 1s, two die proofs in black and chestnut, on yellowish wove (c. 22x26mm). A rare and attractive pair in very fine condition. P167010366 £225



403

SG 14 (Proof) 1892 "King George I" 1s die proof in chestnut on yellowish wove (22x27mm). Tiny surface mark still fine and rare. P189016307 £95



404

SG 22c (Mint) 1894 1/2d on 1s brown, type 11 surcharge, ERROR SURCHARGE DOUBLE, part o.g. Offsetting on reverse but fine for this rarity. Only one pane of 60 existed. Ex Howard-White, with RPS cert (1958) as former SG 22b. (cat £275) P167003654 £195



405

SG 23a (Mint) 1894 2 1/2d on 8d mauve, type 12 surcharge, fine part o.g. (cat £48) P167003871 £35



406

SG 24b/ba (Mint) 1894 2 1/2d on 1s deep green, type 12 surcharge, perf 12 x 11 1/2, horizontal pair, the left stamp variety "No stop after SURCHARGE", fine large part o.g. P167003869 £65



407

SG 24ba (Mint) 1894 2 1/2d on 1s deep green, type 12 surcharge, perf 12 x 11 1/2, variety No stop after "SURCHARGE", fresh large part o.g. Small corner wrinkle but fine appearance. (cat £55) P167003870 £38



408

SG 29 (Mint) 1895 (20 June) ½d on 2½d vermilion (type 12a), lower left corner block of 4 from left pane (pos. 13-14/19-20), fine unused with typical backing adhesion. (cat £200+) P167003685 £70



409

SG 29/31 (Mint) 1895 (20 June) set of 3 surcharges on unissued 2½d vermilion, unused (½d and 1d with small part o.g.) Minor blemishes but fine appearance. (cat £210) P167003875 £60



410

SG 29/c/d (Mint) 1895 (20 June) ½d on 2½d vermilion (type 12a), block of 4 (pos. 4-5/10-11), showing varieties "Missing eyebrow" and "Stop after POSTAGE" se-tenant on lower pair, unused with backing adhesion. Upper pair with slight faults on reverse (respectively thin and toning), still fine appearance. A scarce block. (cat £300+) P167003688 £110



411

SG 30 (Mint) 1895 (20 June) 1d on 2½d vermilion (type 12a), block of 6 (3x2) from pos. 16-18/22-24 left pane with interpane margin at right, part to large part o.g. with comparatively little backing adhesion. Faint perf tones at foot do not detract from fine fresh appearance. A very scarce block. (cat £600+) P167003689 £375



412

SG 31 (Mint) 1895 (20 June) 7½d on 2½d vermilion (type 12a), block of 6 (3x2) from pos. 13-15/19-21, unused with typical backing adhesion. Some minor perf toning, still fine fresh appearance. A scarce block. (cat £360+) P167003690 £125



413

SG 31/c/d (Mint) 1895 (20 June) 7½d on 2½d vermilion (type 12a), upper right corner block of 9 from right pane (pos. 4-6/16-18), showing varieties "Missing eyebrow" and "Stop after POSTAGE" se-tenant on left pair of middle row, part o.g. (disturbed by removal of backing adhesion). Odd very minor tones, and the right margin re-inforced, still a very scarce and desirable positional piece, in above average condition for this issue. (cat £640+) P167003692 £325



414

SG 34c (Mint) 1895 5d blue "King George", perf 11 all round, fresh o.g. (minor gum disturbance from backing adhesion). Wayward centring but really fine for this rarity. Ex Howard-White, with RPS cert (1958) as former SG 31b. (cat £400) P167003655 £325



415

SG 37Ad (Mint) 1896 (May) 'Half Penny' on 7½d on 2d pale blue, perf 12x11, typewritten surcharge in violet with black Tongan surcharge reading downwards, showing variety 'Stops instead of hyphens', fresh part o.g. Trivial thin spot but very fine appearance and rare. Brandon cert (2003). (cat £1100) P15610744 £850



416

SG 37Ap (Mint) 1896 (May) ½d on 7½d on 2d pale blue, typewritten provisional surcharge with type 14 Tongan surcharge reading downwards, perf 12, brilliant part o.g. (usual gum disturbance). Exceptional condition for this rare stamp. BPA cert (2007). P09005661 £800



417

SG 37Bd (Mint) 1896 (May) 'Half Penny' on 7½d on 2d pale blue, perf 12x11, typewritten surcharge in violet with black Tongan surcharge reading upwards, showing variety 'Stops instead of hyphens', part o.g. with fresh colour. Trivial thin spot but fine appearance and rare. Clear Brandon cert (2003). (cat £1100) P15610745 £850



418

SG 37Bp (Mint) 1896 (May) 'Half-/Penny-' on 7½d on 2d pale blue, typewritten surcharge in violet with Tongan surcharge reading upwards, perf 12, and exceptionally showing the variety 'Deformed E in PENI' (R2/2), part o.g. Minor traces of gum toning but fine appearance and very rare with this combination of perforation and plate variety. Few can have existed. (cat £800+) P15604537 £650



419

SG 38, 47, 52 (Proof) 1922 (c.) ½d orange, 6d chocolate, 2s6d grey-purple (1897 designs), imperforate printer's samples on thick surfaced wove, each with type DS3 "SPECIMEN" H/S diagonally at upper left (½d, 2s6d) or vertically at right. A rare and attractive trio, not recorded by Samuel with this opt. P178011996 £325



420

SG 38, 47, 52/3 (Proof) 1922(c.) De La Rue imperforate printer's samples on thick wove, the 'set' of 4 comprising the 1897 ½d in orange, 6d in brown, 2s6d in purple and 5s in blue-green and sepia, the 2s6d without opt, the other values with "SPECIMEN" (type DS2). Fine and attractive. P167002970 £375



421

SG 38a/53a (Mint) 1897 set of 14 to 5s, wmk w24, fresh large part o.g. Odd minor imperfections (gum wrinkles) still far above average for this attractive set. (cat £225) P190010203 £175



422

SG 38a/43b (Proof) 1897 ½d indigo, 1d black and scarlet, 2d sepia and bistre (type II) and 2½d black and blue, imperforate plate proofs on un gummed wmkd paper, each in a horizontal pair, from the half-sheets of 30 from 1901-02 printings preserved in the De La Rue archives. The 1d (wmk inverted) from R7/4-5, the others wmk sideways and matching from R4/9-10. ½d a little toned as always, and 2d with slight crease, but most attractive. Only 15 pairs of each value possible. P178011993 £550



423

SG 41, 42a (Mint) 1897 2d (type II), two contrasting examples, respectively "sepia and bistre" with wmk upright and "grey and bistre" with wmk sideways, fresh o.g. The former with slight gum crease but a fine pair. (cat £80) P167003887 £60



424

SG 41a (Proof) 1897 2d sepia and bistre (type II), wmk sideways, right marginal imperforate horizontal pair on un gummed paper. Very fine and rare, from the half-sheet of 30 (= 15 pairs) retained in the De La Rue archives, dated "19 Dec 1901". P167002963 £195



425

SG 43b/ba (Mint) 1897 2½d black and blue, wmk sideways, upper right corner block of 4, R2/10 showing variety No fraction bar in '½', fresh large part o.g. Odd minor wrinkles, but very scarce and desirable in this positional form. P15614381 £150



426

SG 43b (Proof) 1897 2½d black and blue, wmk sideways, imperforate horizontal pair on un gummed paper. Very fine and rare, from the half-sheet of 30 (= 15 pairs) retained in the De La Rue archives, dated "1.1.1901". P167002965 £195



427

SG 44a/5a, 47, 51a (Specimen) 1897 Pictorial 3d black and yellow-green, 4d green and purple, 6d red, 2s black and ultramarine, wmk sideways except 6d (upright), each with type D4a finely impressed "CANCELLED" opt, very fresh colours with some o.g. A lovely and very rare group, used as printer's samples. P178011997 £375



428

SG 47 (Proof) 1922 (c.) 6d chocolate "Coral" (Type 20 design), imperforate printer's sample on thick surfaced wove, opt "SPECIMEN" (type DS1), a fine horizontal pair affixed to piece of brown card from a sample book. Rare in a multiple. P178011994 £195



429

SG 50/a (Mint) 1897 1s black and red-brown, block of 4, the upper right stamp variety 'No hyphen before TAHA' (R3/5), brilliant large part o.g. Scarce and desirable in this se-tenant form, and much fresher than usually found. P15614382 £195



430

SG 51a (Mint) 1897 2s black and ultramarine (wmk sideways), two examples of this beautiful stamp with exceptional fresh colour, each with vignette slightly misplaced upwards, large part o.g. One stamp accordingly shows a white line at base, whereas on the other this effect has been disguised by printer's HANDPAINTING with a grey wash. The former with minor gum blemishes, but a fascinating pair, demonstrating the care De La Rue took in the production of their first venture into bicoloured recess-printed pictorials. P167003892 £50



431

SG 52 (Proof) 1922 (c.) 2s6d grey-purple "Parrot" (type 22 design), imperforate printer's sample on thick surfaced wove. Without the usual "SPECIMEN" opt, and very scarce thus. P178011995 £110



432

SG 54a (Mint) 1899 (1 June) Royal Wedding 1d black and scarlet, type 25 opt, wmk sideways, showing error "1889" for "1899", from R8/1 of the 3 x 10 setting, part o.g. Small faults (gum thin affecting a few perfs at foot, slight oxidation of colour as often), still a good example of this scarce error. Only 300 possible (both wmk positions). (cat £250) P167004048 £75



433

SG 55s/63s (Specimen) 1920-35 set of 9 to 1s, opt or perf 'SPECIMEN', fresh large part o.g. A scarce set complete (distributed in at least five parts over 15 years) and very interesting because of the use of four different types of protection, variously D12 (2½d black and blue, 5d to 1s), D9 (2d), D19 (½d, 2½d ultramarine) or D20 (1½d). Couple of minor bends, still far above average. P16703633 £250



434

SG 55s/63s (Specimen) 1920 (-35) ½d to 1s, eight values (less 1935 1½d grey-black) opt (type D9 - 2d; D12a - 2½d black & blue, 5d, 7½d, 10d, 1s) or perf (½d, 2½d bright ultramarine) "SPECIMEN", neatly mounted on ledger page (209x279mm), stated to be from the Tunisia archive, with M/S endorsements and dated "31 DEC 1919" at upper left. A fine item, rare in this form. [N.B. Only one other stamp (Jamaica 1919 1½d SG80) received general distribution with the type D9 opt.] P189003882 £250 *Shown at 85%*



435

SG 57b (Mint) 1920-35 2d agate and aniline violet, die I, wmk sideways, variety "Smaller 2", fine o.g. Occurs seven times on the sheet of 60. P167003695 £65



436

SG 57s/63s (Specimen) 1920-21 pair of pieces from the Madagascar UPU archive, Queen Salote portrait issue opt "SPECIMEN", the first with three single examples of the 2d agate and aniline violet (abnormal type D9 opt as always), second with 2½d to 1s, the five 1921 values opt type D12, in matching vertical strips of 3 (the largest possible multiples, as distributed by the UPU), the 10d exceptionally from R1-3/7 and showing both listed "Small O" pantograph varieties (as SG 62a/b), all tied by the large circular "POSTES ET TELEGRAPHES / COLLECTION DE BERNE / MADAGASCAR" receiving handstamps in red. Unique and highly attractive items, in lovely fresh condition. [Only seven examples each of the 10d varieties ever existed with "SPECIMEN"] P178011992 £950 Shown at 95%



437

SG 59 (Mint) 1920-35 Queen Salote 2½d bright ultramarine, wmk tortoises, block of 4, fresh unmounted o.g. P167003714 £35



438

SG 59 (Proof) 1933 (28 Mar) composite proof for the proposed Queen Salote monocolour 2½d value, comprising the (1897) 2½d duty die, stamp size in bright ultramarine on Script wmk paper, with cut-down portrait in a similar shade inserted as the central vignette, affixed to piece (88x49mm) from an Appendix sheet marked "App'd for colour" with M/S initials "H.W" and date at lower right. Very fine and unique in this form. Ex De La Rue archives (see "The De La Rue Collection" p.6343). P189003895 £650



439

SG 63 (Proof) 1922(c.) De La Rue printer's sample of the 1920-35 1s Queen Salote, imperforate on thick wove in black and yellow-green, with "SPECIMEN" opt (type DS1). Scarce and attractive. P167002972 £125



440

SG 63 (Proof) 1922(c.) printer's sample of 1920-35 1s "Queen Salote" in black and yellow-green on thick wove, opt "SPECIMEN" (type DS1), a very fine imperforate horizontal pair, affixed to piece of brown card from a sample book. Scarce in a multiple, and most attractive. P167003099 £250



441

SG 64/70a (Mint) 1923-24 "TWO PENCE" surcharges set of 7 to 2d on 5s, large part o.g. to o.g. Odd minor blemishes (gum wrinkles, 10d with a few toned perf tips) but far above average for this difficult set. (cat £160) P167003709 £130



442

SG 66 (Mint) 1923-24 2d on 10d black and lake, type 27 surcharge in blue, wmk upright, lower right corner block of 4, pos. 49-50/59-60 on the sheet, showing frame plate retouch (at NW corner) on pos. 59 and characteristic retaining pinhole (part of the surcharging process) between 59 and 60, fresh large part o.g. Crease in lower margin but an attractive positional piece. Only 155 sheets surcharged. (cat £92+) P167003091 £75



443

SG 66/b/c (Mint) 1923-24 2d on 10d black and lake, type 27 surcharge in blue, wmk upright (inverted), block of 4, pos. 6-7/16-17 on the sheet, showing the two pantograph varieties "Both O's small" (pos. 7) and "Small second O" (pos. 17) se-tenant, large part o.g. Characteristic trivial blemishes but fresh and really fine for this issue. Only 155 sheets surcharged, and very scarce in this form. P167003090 £250



444

SG 67 (Mint) 1923-24 2d on 1s black and red-brown, type 27 surcharge, fresh large part o.g. Some gum wrinkles but really fine for this. (cat £75) P167003710 £60



445

SG 67 (Mint) 1923-24 2d on 1d black and red-brown, type 27 surcharge in blue, wmk upright, lower right corner block of 12 (4x3 - the bottom row severed and rejoined), showing the very prominent frame-plate retouch on the second stamp in the top row (pos. 38), large part o.g. Odd minor gum tones and traces of back adhesion, but very fine fresh appearance. An impressive positional multiple of this scarce stamp. Only 103 sheets surcharged. (cat £900+) P167003095 £550



446

SG 67var (Mint) 1923-34 2d on 1s black and red-brown, type 27 surcharge in blue, wmk upright, showing the very prominent frame-plate retouch to the background at top (pos. 38), fresh large part o.g. With a fine used normal for comparison. Very scarce, with only 103 sheets surcharged. P167003097 £75



447

SG 67/a (Mint) 1923-34 2d on 1s black and red-brown, type 27 surcharge, wmk upright, horizontal pair showing variety 'No hyphen before TAHA' on right stamp (R3/5), unused. Very scarce. Only 103 possible (both wmk) and most were used. (cat £450+) P12310978 £175



448

SG 74s/82s (Specimen) 1942-49 Script wmk set of 9 to 5s, perf "SPECIMEN" (type D21), fresh large part o.g. to o.g. (five values unmounted). P178010840 £250



449

SG 74s/82s (Specimen) 1942-49 Script wmk set of 9 to 5s, perf "SPECIMEN" (type D21), exceptionally in horizontal (1/2d, 6d, 2s6d) or vertical pairs, very fine o.g. (lower stamps in vertical pairs unmounted). Very scarce multiples, the 5s left marginal with centre guide and showing marked rightward misplacement of perfin on upper stamp. P167003677 £500



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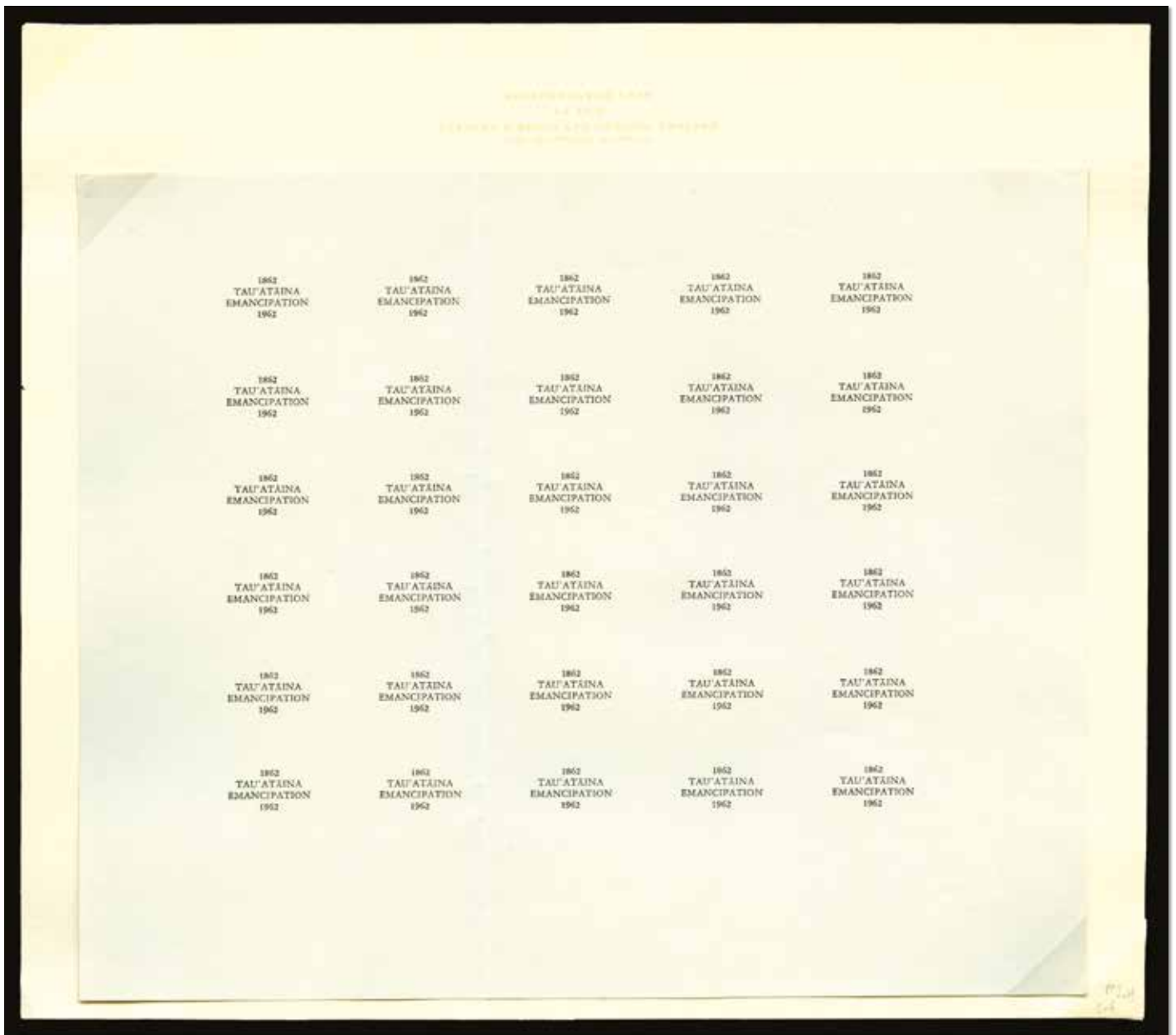
SG 83s/7s (Specimen) 1944 Silver Jubilee set of 5 to 1s, perf "SPECIMEN" (type D21), fine unmounted o.g. Very scarce thus. P178002470 £160



451

SG 120/7 (Mint) 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" set of 8 to 5s, in folded sheets of 60 (5x12) or upper and lower half sheets of 30 (6x5) of the vertical format 1s and 2s on 3d as originally overprinted and issued, unmounted o.g. The sheets of 60 with "overprint imprint" at foot only (the upper halves having been overprinted separately with an adjusted setting), whereas the half-sheets of 30 each have imprint at top/bottom as appropriate. Minor blemishes (wrinkles, separation) and the 5s sheet sadly with slight faults (separated in two, lacking left margin and several stamps with gum toning), otherwise fine, with examples of the 2s on 3d "no fraction bar" at R3/3 on both half-sheets. A fascinating lot, involving a total of eight sub-settings, with four in horizontal 5x6 format (the two 4d settings different from those used for the other values) and four 6 x 5 (two each for the 1s and 2s on 3d). Accompanied by an original copy of the "TONGAN GOVERNMENT GAZETTE" announcing the issue (with m/s note at top announcing that the Official Airmail stamps were no longer available). (cat £443+).

P189016911 £125 Shown at 70%



452

SG 120, 2/4, 7 (Proof) 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" type 59 opt, PROOF in BLACK on grey vertically laid paper of the complete 5x6 setting used to overprint the upper halves of sheet of the 1d, 5d to 8d and 5s values. Fold between columns 2 and 3, otherwise very fine. A remarkable item which may be unique. [For the 4d value, of slightly wider format, the spacing between impressions had to be increased]. P167004034 £175 Shown at 65%



453

SG 125a (Mint) 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" 1s blue and black, type 59 opt, ERROR OPT INVERTED, unmounted o.g. A great rarity in unused condition, being the finer of just TWO examples recorded, with the remainder of the half-sheet of 30 issued at Vavau being used on FDC's. P167002934 £450



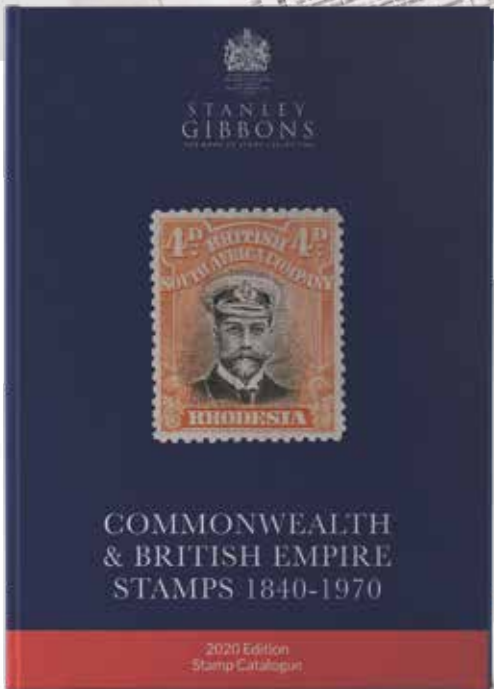
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SG 125a (Used) 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" 1s blue and black, type 59 opt, ERROR OPT INVERTED, fine used with part cds (trivial surface mark). Rare, being one of 28 examples used on FDC's at Vavau (from a half-sheet of 30 issued). P167002936 £175



455

SG 127a (Mint) 1962 Emancipation 5s orange-yellow and slate-lilac, error opt inverted, unmounted o.g. Very scarce. P14512886 £225



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One complete sheet of 120 stamps of the 8d value had the smaller 6 seniti airmail overprint applied in error. This block of four is from the lower right-hand corner of the left-hand pane and has part of the central vertical gutter as the right-hand margin.

The normal 6 seniti and 8 seniti overprints are shown for comparison with the error.

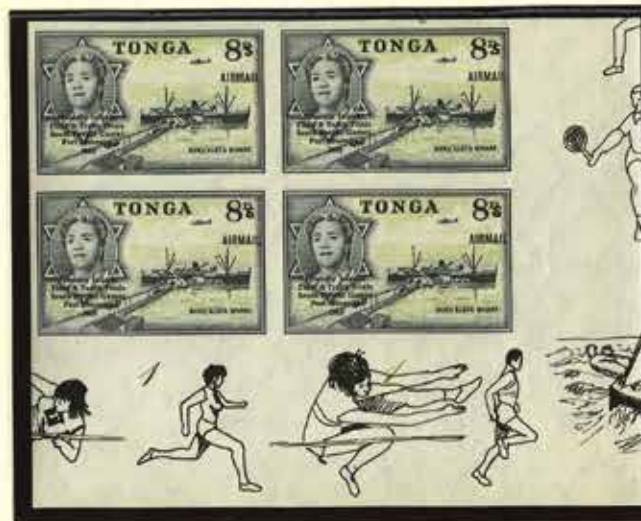
Most of the sheet with the error is believed to have been used on mail from the Philatelic Bureau in Nuku'alofa.



SG 263



SG 265



SG 265a



457

SG 969/a (Mint) 1987 57s canoe race, horizontal strip of 4 with gutter and side margins, the second stamp error value omitted, unmounted o.g. R3/2 from the withdrawn first printing, of which just 50 sheets are stated to have been issued. A remarkable item. P09000047 £350



458

SG O1/5 (Official) Official. 1893 (13 Feb) set of 5 to 1s, part o.g. Typical perfs and centring, with some gum disturbance, still well above average for this difficult set, with fresh colours. (cat £275) P167003699 £175



459

SG O1/5 (Proof) Official. 1893 (13 Feb) set of 5 to 1s, uniformly in ultramarine with type O1 opt in carmine, IMPERFORATE VERTICAL PAIRS on unwmkd wove, the 1d value with opt inverted. A spectacular and rare set of plate proofs. P167002937 £750



460

SG O2 (Official) Official. 1893 (13 Feb) 2d ultramarine, type O1 opt in carmine, typical centring, still very fine used for this issue with large part "HAAPAI" cds dated "3 OC 93". Scarce thus. P167002947 £50



461

SG O6 (Official) Official. 1893 (Dec) ½d on 1d ultramarine, block of 8 (4x2) from upper right corner of left pane showing four applications of the vertical two-unit handstamp, o.g. Small imperfections (slight gum creasing, second stamp in lower row with small thin at foot) but a rare positional multiple of fine appearance. Less than 20 sheets were surcharged. P167002956 £225



462

SG O6/10 (Official) Official. 1893 (Dec) surcharges set of 5 to 10d on 1s, unused (5d, 7½d) or part to large part o.g. with fresh colours. Typical mixed centring but fine and attractive appearance. Much above average for this difficult set. (cat £150) P167002950 £95



463

SG O10 (Official) Official. 1893 (Dec) 10d on 1s ultramarine, neatly cancelled by part "TONGA" barred oval. Typical perfs and centring, still fine and scarce. P167002954 £75



464

SG O11/13 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" Air 2d ultramarine, 5d violet, 1s red-brown, type O3 opt, in right marginal blocks of 4, the 2d and 1s both from R5-6/4-5 of the 5x6 setting, with the 1s lower right corner, with plate number "1A" and part red "overprint imprint", the 5d from R3-4/4-5, fresh unmounted o.g. Each block includes constant variety "Short lower bar to L of MAIL" (2d and 1s R6/4, 5d R3/5). Very scarce multiples, with only 2400 issued of the 2d and 5d and 2100 of the 1s, and the great majority used. P167003879 £225



465

SG O11/16 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" set of 6 to £1, o.g. (unmounted, but sadly with grease marks on top perfs, as a result of inappropriate storage). Nevertheless a rare set in unused condition, with only 900 sets issued, and the vast majority used. (cat £500) P167003204 £85



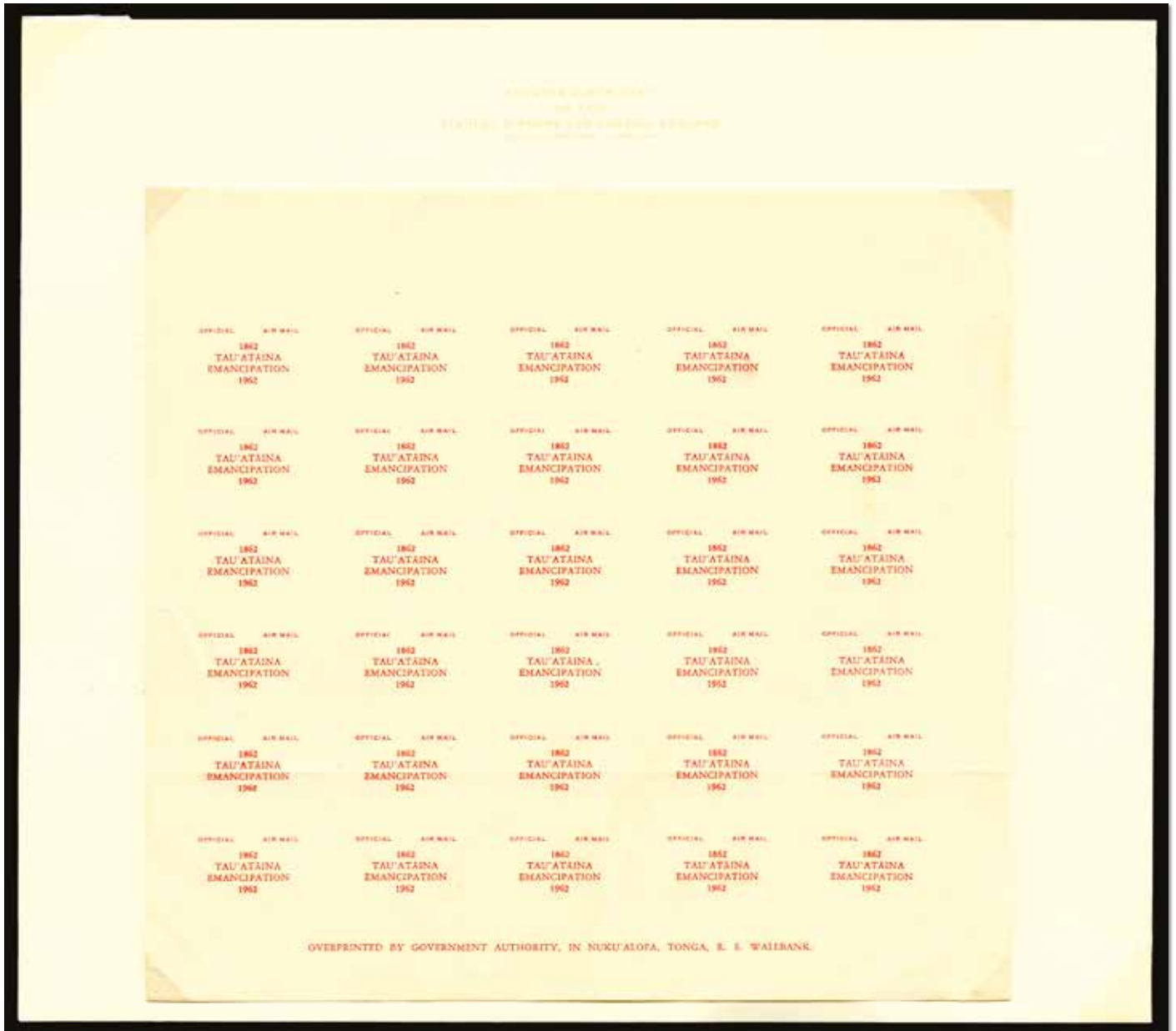
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SG O11/16 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" Air set of 6 to £1, blocks of 4, all marginal (£1 with imprint) except 10s, unmounted o.g. Typical faint traces of gum toning, still very fine for these. Rare multiples, with only between 15 (£1) and 40 sheets of each overprinted. P178010356 £1,100



467

SG O11/16 (Official) Official. 1962 "Emancipation" set of 6 to £1, type O3 opt, each neatly cancelled by part Nukualofa cds. The 5s sadly with small scissor cut, otherwise a fine and attractive set, the 1s and £1 exceptionally lower marginal (£1 from lower left corner) with part imprint, and the 2d showing constant variety Short foot to "L" of "OFFICIAL". A very difficult set to assemble, with only 2400 (2d, 5d), 2100 (1s, 5s), 1200 (10s), and 900 (= 15 sheets, £1) issued. (cat £160) P189017877 £95



468

SG O11/13 (Proof) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" type O3 opt, PROOF (x2) in RED of the complete 5x6 setting used to overprint respectively the lower halves (this with "WALLBANK" imprint at foot, on yellowish horizontally laid pair) and upper halves (without imprint, on yellowish wove paper) of sheets of the 2d, 5d and 1s values. Each shows "OFFICIAL" at R4/2 (and several other repeated flaws), but only the upper half proof has "MAIL" at R2/5. Some creasing but a fascinating and important pair. Probably unique. P167004035 £375

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469

SG O11/a/13/a (Official) Official. 1962 "Emancipation" 2d ultramarine, 5d violet, 1s red-brown, type O3 opt, matching left marginal blocks of 9 from R9-11/1-3, the centre stamp (R10/2) in each block showing variety "OFFICIAL" for "OFFICIAL" (R4/2 of the 5x6 setting, upper and lower halves of the sheet), very fine unmounted o.g. A very rare and splendid set of positional multiples. Only 2400 (= 40 sheets) issued of the 2d and 5d and 2100 (= 35 sheets) of the 1s, and the great majority used. [N.B. The first stamp in the third row of each block shows the constant variety Deformed "2" in "1962", which only occurs on R11/1 of the sheet.] P189017834 £750 Shown at 95%



470

SG O11/b (Official) Official. 1962 "Emancipation" 2d ultramarine, type O3 opt, vertical pair, the lower stamp showing variety "MAIL" for "MAIL" (R2/5 from the 5x6 setting, upper half of sheet only), fine used with central "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" cds, dated "14 FE 62". Only 2400 (=40 sheets) issued. P189017816 £45



471

SG O12/13 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" 5d violet and 1s red-brown, type O3 opt, in lightly used blocks of 4, the 5d right marginal, while the 1s shows the constant flaw "Blob in 2 of 1962" on the upper left stamp (R5/1 of the 5 x 6 setting). Uncommon multiples, with only 2400 and 2100 respectively issued. P167003197 £45



472

SG O12/b (Official) Official. 1962 "Emancipation" 5d violet, type O3 opt, upper right corner block of 6 (2x3), showing variety "MAIL" for "MAIL" (R2/6 of the 5x6 setting, upper half of sheet only), o.g. (actually unmounted but tiny adhesion on reverse). Attractive and very scarce in this positional form. Only 2400 (= 40 sheets) issued. P189017777 £150



473

SG O12/b, 13 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" 5d violet and 1s red-brown, type O3 opt, matching right marginal blocks of 4, each with two neat strikes of Nukualofa "12 FE 62" cds, showing the diagnostic flaws of R1-2/4-5 of the basic 5x6 setting, with the 1s from a lower half-sheet (R2/5 normal) while the 5d block shows variety "MAIL" on R2/5, which only occurred on the upper half-sheets. A very scarce and interesting pair of blocks, with only 40 possible of the 5d "MAIL" variety. P167003195 £55



474

SG O13/a/b (Official) Official. 1962 "Emancipation" 1s red-brown, block of 10 being the top two rows of sheet with full margins, showing constant varieties "MAIL" for "MAIL" (R2/5 of the 5x6 setting, upper half of the sheet only) and "Short lower bar to "L" of "OFFICIAL" (R2/2-3), tied to large piece by ten strikes of "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" cds, dated "8 FE 62" (second day of issue). Minor wrinkles, still an impressive large used multiple with R2/5 fine. Only 2100 (= 35 sheets) issued. (cat £65++) P189017820 £50 Shown at 75%



475

SG O14 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" Air 5s orange-yellow and slate-lilac, type O3 opt, upper left corner block of 4, fine unmounted o.g. A rare positional multiple of this key value. Only 2100 issued (= 35 sheets) and most were used. P167003880 £500



476

SG O14/a (Mint) OFFICIAL. 1962 Air 5s orange-yellow and slate-lilac, horizontal right marginal pair, variety "MAIL" for "MAIL" on right hand stamp (R2/5), unmounted o.g. Rare. Only 35 possible, most of which were used. P189016552 £550



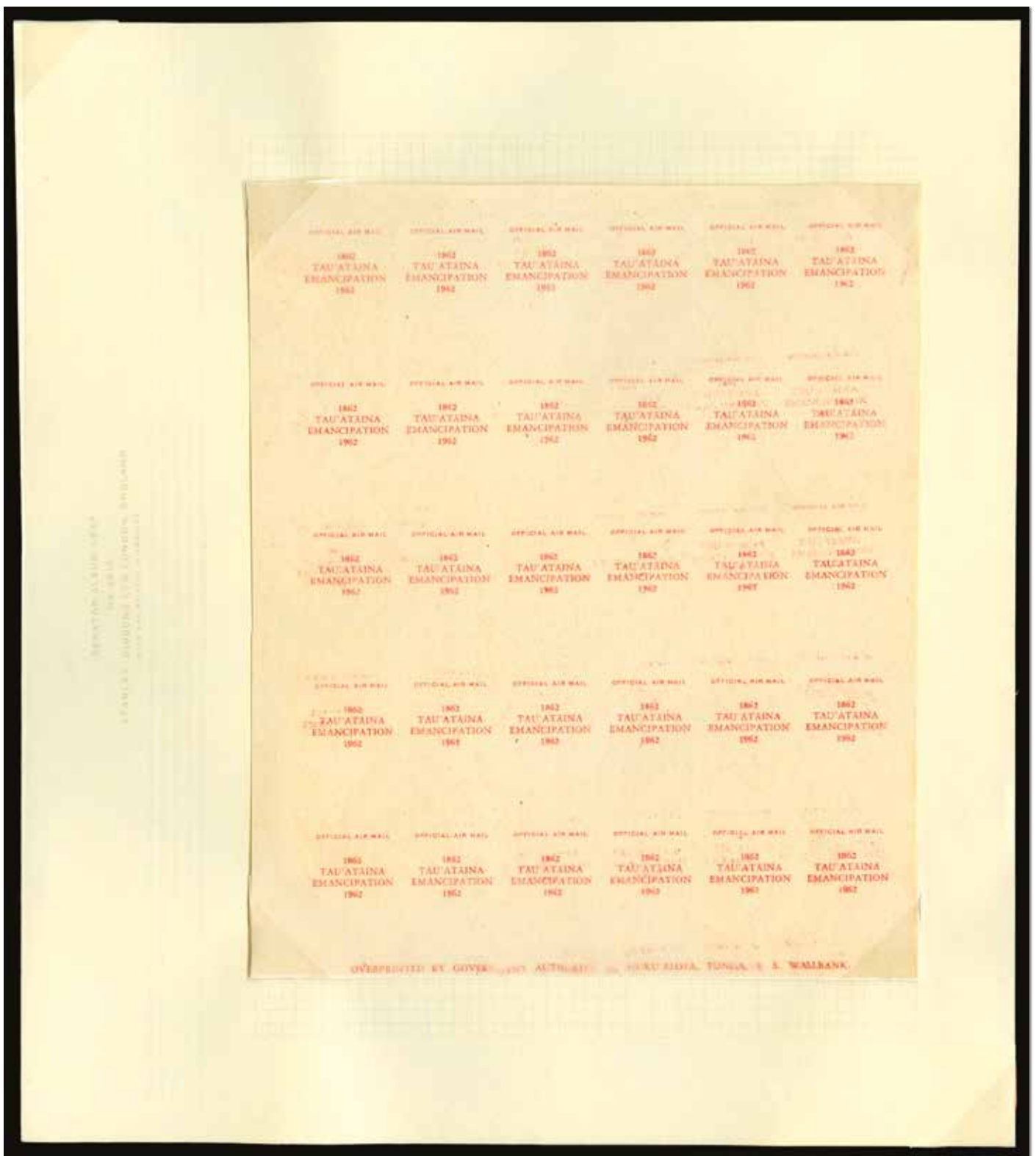
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SG O15 (Official) Official. 1962 "Emancipation" 10s yellow and black, type O3 opt, very fine used. Only 1200 issued. P189017896 £30



478

SG O15 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" 10s yellow and black, type O3 opt, left marginal block of 8 (4x2) from R3-4/1-4 of the 6x5 setting, showing constant flaw "Blob in 2 of 1962" on R4/2, fine used with part strikes of Nukualofa cds, dated "12 FE 62". An impressive multiple, with only 20 sheets overprinted. P167003203 £225



479

SG O15/16 (Proof) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" opt as type O3, PROOF in RED on transparent paper of the complete 6x5 setting used to overprint the lower halves of sheets of the 10s and £1 values, with "WALLBANK" imprint at foot. Some light creasing and offsetting but a fascinating and important item which is probably unique. It demonstrates the position of the "MAH" variety as R2/5, while R2/1 is a probable early state of "OFFICIAL". P167004039 £195 Shown at 70%



480

SG O16 (Official) Official. 1962 (7 Feb) "Emancipation" £1, type O3 opt, lightly tied to small piece. Odd shortish perfs but only 900 issued. (cat £50) P167003201 £40



481

SG O19a (Official) OFFICIAL. 1966 'OFFICIAL AIRMAIL' 10s on 4d blue-green, error surcharge INVERTED, fine c.t.o. with 'NUKUALOFA' cds dated '16 DEC 66'. Scarce. P06703612 £120



482

SG O236/42 (Official) Official. 1986 provisional surcharge set of 7 to 2p50 on 2p, complete sheets of 20 (4x5) with decorative central vertical gutter showing 'PROGRESSIVE' impressions of the design, self-adhesive, unused. Very scarce in this intact form. (cat £420+) P11207902 £350 Shown at 74%



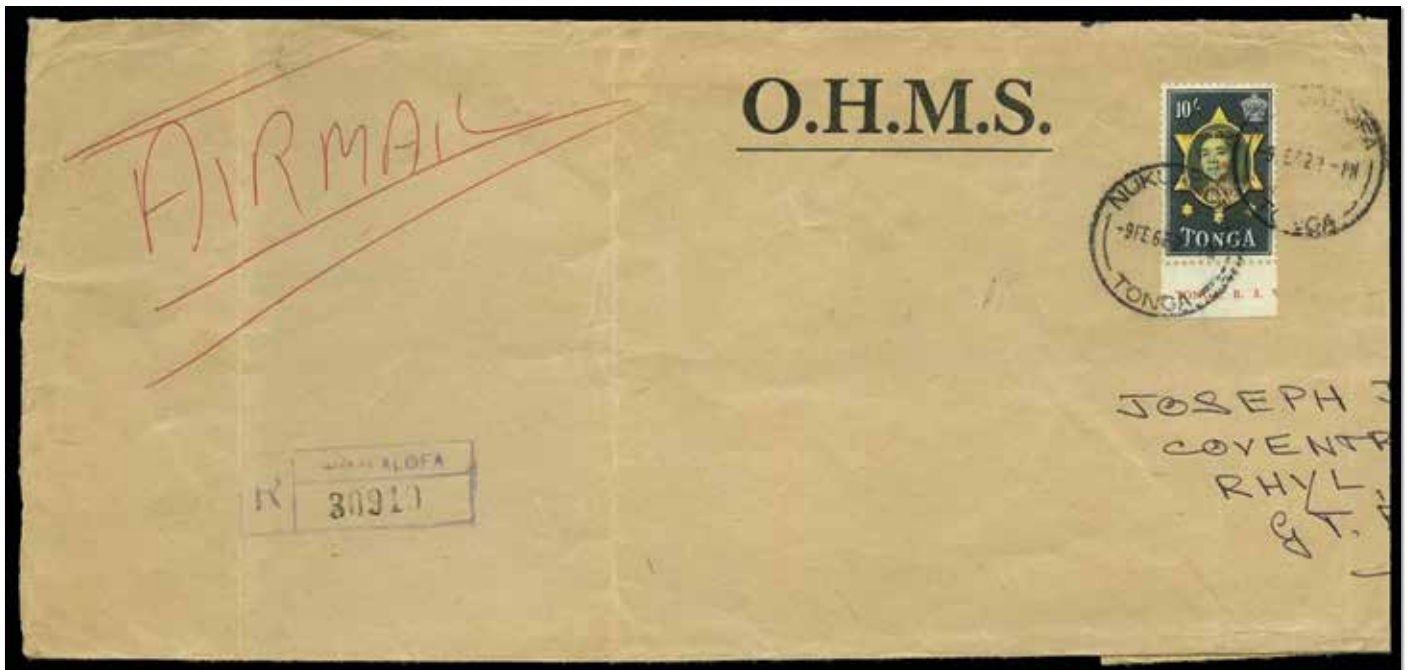
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SG 44 (Cover) 1912 (3 AU) registered 1d red pictorial postcard (black and white view #10 "Three Headed Coconut") from Nukualofa to Germany, uprated with 1897 3d black and yellow-green, tied by fine NUKUALOFA / TONGA cds, with oval "REGISTERED AT / No 456 / NUKUALOFA TONGA" registration H/S, Auckland transit cds (8 AU), Hannover arrival cds (15.9) and red and black "Vom Auslande / über Bahnpost / Kufstein-München" registration label on face. A rare and exceptional usage. P189006776 £250



484

SG 125a (Mint) 1962 (9 Feb) cover to Scotland with "Emancipation" short set of 6 to 1s, tied by two light strikes of "VAVAU" cds, the 1s value exceptionally ERROR OPT INVERTED. Intended as a first day cover, the reverse with m/s endorsement "Supplies of these stamps only reached Vavau / on 8.2.62 on M.V. Aoni. / (signed) D. MacCullum / Master, D.V. Hifofua". Very fine and interesting. [N.B. The "D.V. Hifofua" was the Tongan Government yacht.] P189016905 £200 Shown at 80%



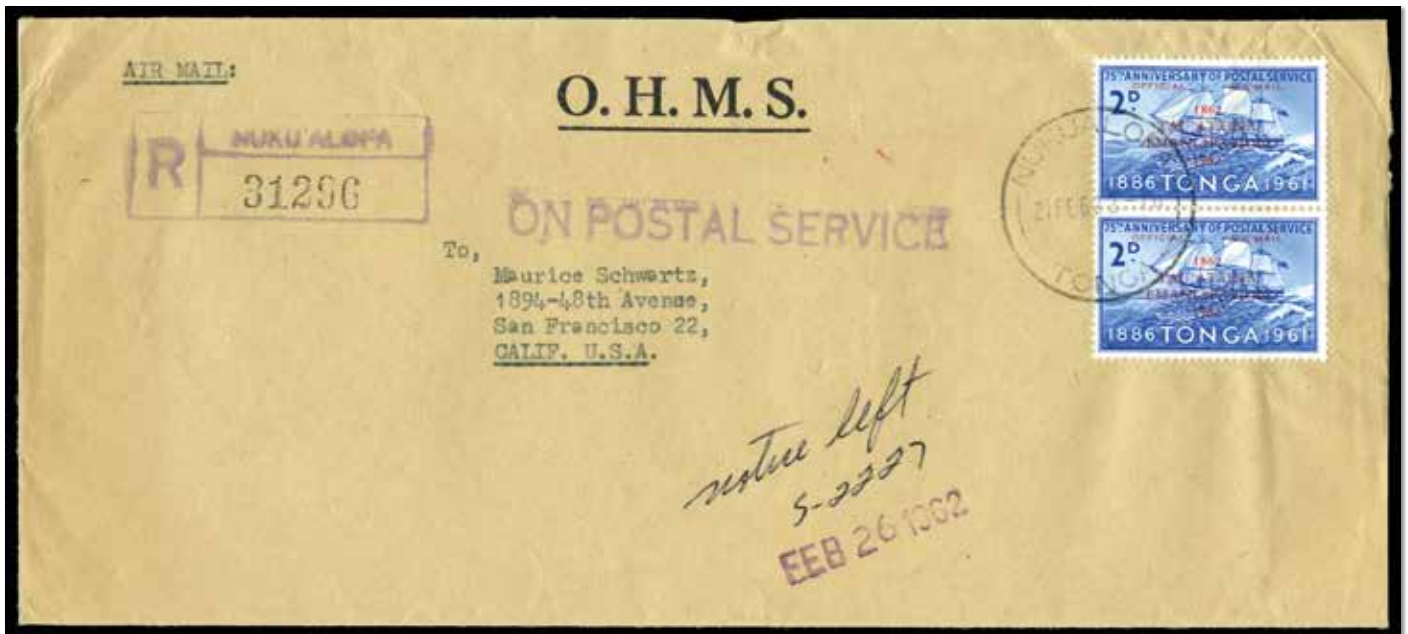
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SG O15 (Cover) 1962 (9 FE) printed O.H.M.S. registered airmail cover to England, franked by 1962 "Emancipation" 10s yellow and black, type O3 opt, lower marginal with "TONGA, R.S. W" imprint, tied by two strikes of "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" despatch cds, with violet registration H/S at lower left. The envelope with large piece excised from reverse and folded for display (well away from stamp), nevertheless a rare and spectacular survival. Only 1200 (= 20 sheets) issued. P189017856 £125 *Shown at 65%*



486

SG O11, 12/b (Cover) 1962 (12 FE) printed O.H.M.S. airmail cover to England, franked at 2s4d by 1962 "Emancipation" 2d ultramarine (2x vertical pairs) and 5d violet (block of 4), type O3 opt, cancelled by four strikes of "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" despatch cds. The 5d block showing variety "MAIL" for "MAIL" on lower right stamp (R2/5 of the 5x6 setting, upper half of sheet only). The envelope with vertical fold (away from stamps) still a fine and very scarce usage. Only 2400 (= 40 sheets) of each value issued. P189017862 £150 *Shown at 80%*



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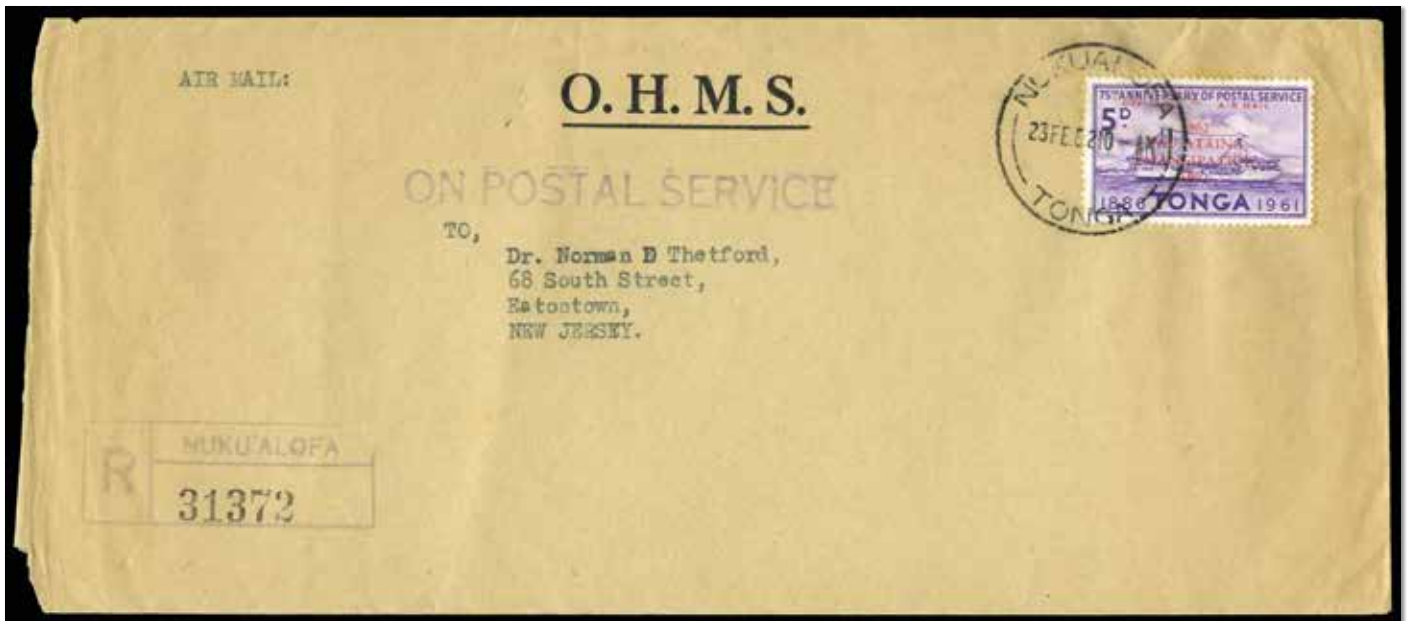
SG O11/a (Cover) 1962 (21 FE) printed O.H.M.S. registered airmail cover from Nuku'alofa to USA, franked by 1962 "Emancipation" 2d ultramarine, type O3 opt, vertical pair, tied by fine strike of despatch cds, with violet registration and "ON POSTAL SERVICE" handstamps at left. Backstamped at San Francisco (25/26 FEB). Plated as R3-4/2 of the 5x6 setting, with the lower stamp showing variety "OFFICIAL" for "OFFICIAL". Typical minor envelope blemishes, still a fine and very scarce usage. Only 2400 (=40 sheets) issued. P189017821 £125

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488

SG O11, 13 (Cover) 1962 (20 FE) printed O.H.M.S. airmail cover to England, franked at 2s4d by vertical pairs of 1962 "Emancipation" 2d ultramarine (lower marginal, with part imprint at foot) and 1s red-brown, each with type O3 opt, tied by two very fine strikes of "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" despatch cds. The envelope folded at left for display (well away from stamps), still a fine and very scarce usage, with only 2400 of each value issued. P189017850 £110 Shown at 80%



489

SG O12 (Cover) 1962 (23 FE) printed O.H.M.S. registered airmail cover to USA, franked by 1962 "Emancipation" 5d violet, type O3 opt, cancelled by fine "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" despatch cds, with violet registration and "ON POSTAL SERVICE" handstamps at left. Backstamped with "EATONTOWN / N.J." cds, dated "FEB 26 1962". Minor perf toning, still a fine and scarce solo usage. P189017867 £45

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490

SG O12 (Cover) 1962 (5 MR) printed O.H.M.S. registered airmail cover to England, franked by 1962 "Emancipation" 5d violet, type O3 opt, tied by light "NUKUALOFA / TONGA" despatch cds, with violet registration H/S at lower left. Backstamped with very fine "SUVA - FIJI / REGISTERED" cds, dated "7 MR 62". The envelope folded for display (well away from stamp), still a fine and scarce solo usage.

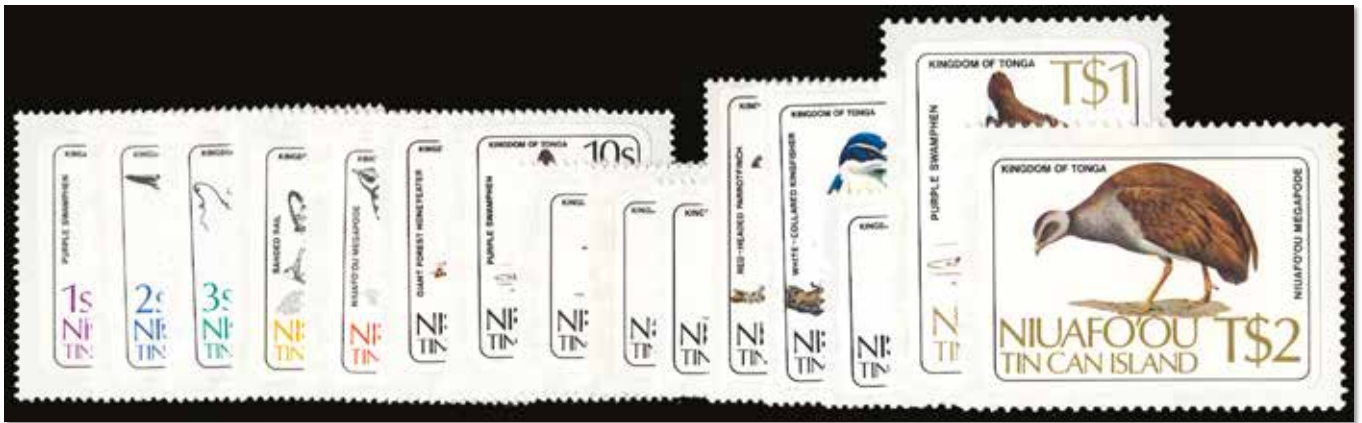
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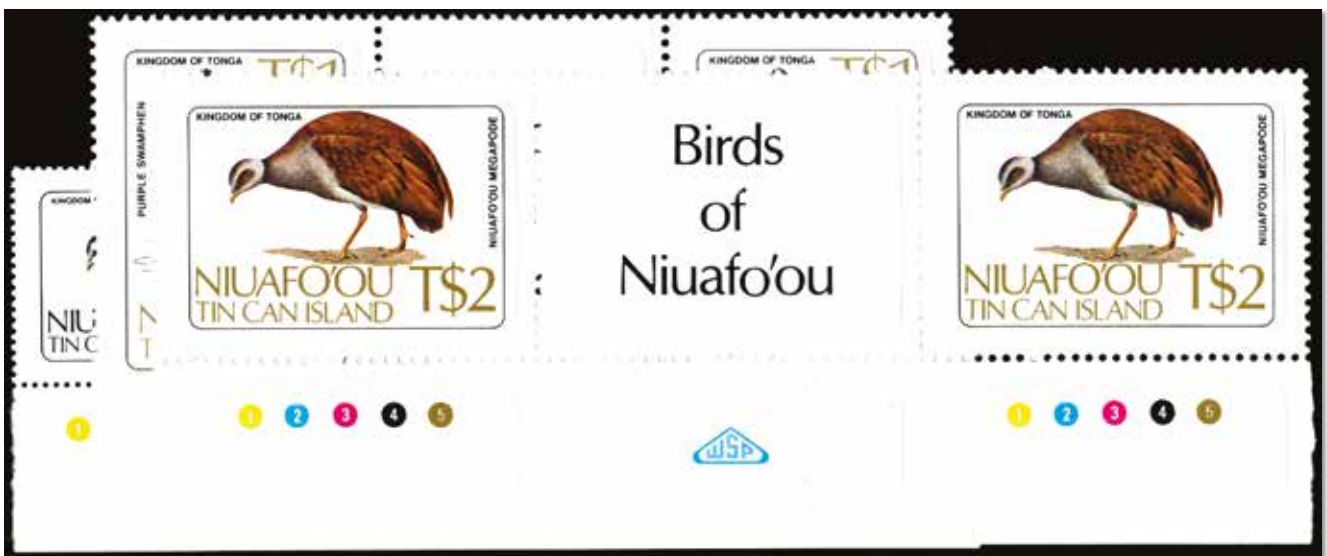
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SG 19/22 (Mint) 1983 Map set of 4 to 2p, type 3 surcharge on undenominated design, complete sheets of 20 (4x5) with decorative central vertical gutter, self-adhesive, unused. Scarce in this intact form. (cat £195+) P11207901 £150 Shown at 95%



492

SG 27/41 (Mint) 1983 Birds set of 15 to 2p, self-adhesive, fine unused. P11207872 £38



493

SG 27/41 (Mint) 1983 Birds set of 15 to 2p, matching lower marginal interpane pairs with inscription in gutter, self-adhesive, fine unused. P11207870 £75



494

SG 64/73 (Mint) 1986 Halley's Comet 42s (x5) and 57s (x5), two se-tenant horizontal strips of 5, unmounted o.g. P11207875 £45
Shown at 95%



495

SG 74/81 (Mint) 1986 Birds provisional surcharge set of 8 to 2p50 on 47s, self-adhesive, fine unused. P11207884 £32

VANUATU



496

SG 477w (Mint) 1987 Fish 300v Undulate Triggerfish, variety wmk Crown to right of CA (from back), unmounted o.g. P178011843 £55



497

SG 789/97 (Mint) 1998-2000 Provisional surcharges set of 10 to 73v on 80v, unmounted o.g. P11207138 £25



498

SG 973/82 (Mint) 2006 Flowers Domestic mail set of 10 to 1000v, self-adhesive, fine unused. P11207153 £30



499

SG 982a/h (Mint) 2006 Flowers International post set of 8 to 1000v, self-adhesive, fine unused. P11207154 £26

STOP PRESS

FIJI



SG 31b Mint 1876-77 1d blue on laid paper, lithographed 'VR', variety 'Void corner' (R2/1), large part o.g. Very minor traces of gum toning still a really fine example with fresh colour. Very scarce in unused condition. (cat £400) P16705414 £325

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SG D1/8 Postage Due Postage Due. 1940 set of 8 to 1s6d, brilliant unmounted o.g. Seldom seen in this superb condition. P190014705 £180

NEW GUINEA



SG 25e Mint 1914-15 New Guinea 5d on 50pf black and purple/buff, 5mm space from setting II, pos. 5, showing variety Thin '5', fresh large part o.g. Trivial hinge bend barely detracts. A very rare variety, with only 10 examples recorded by Gibbs (inclg three in the Australian War Memorial Museum). Clear BPA cert (2002). P190015001 £1,250

NEW HEBRIDES



SG 233/41 Mint 1977 new currency set of 9 to 500f on 10f, local (Port Vila) surcharges, unmounted o.g. The 30f on 30c very scarce. P190014715 £300



SG 233/41 var Mint 1977-78 New currency local (Port Vila) surcharges, the unissued 50f on 1f and 100f on 3f, unmounted o.g. Mentioned in the footnote below SG 233/41. P190014707 £50



SG F247/55 var Mint 1977-78 French issue new currency local (Port Vila) surcharges, the unissued 50f on 1f, 70f on 2f and 100f on 3f, unmounted o.g. Mentioned in the footnote below SG F247/55. P190014712 £200



SG F250 Mint 1977-78 French issue 25f on 25c Cowrie shell, Port Vila local surcharge, unmounted o.g. P190014708 £120



SG F251 Mint 1977-78 French issue 30f on 30c Red-lip Olive shell, Port Vila local surcharge, unmounted o.g. P190014709 £250



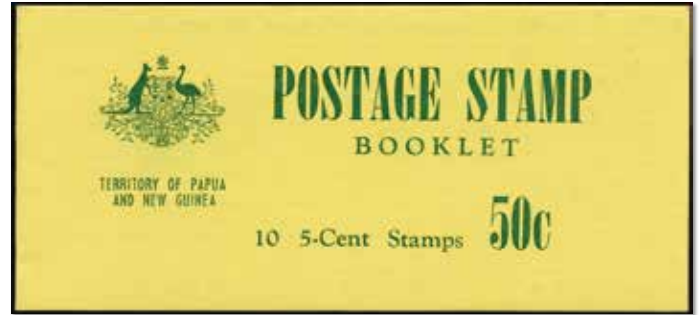
SG F252b, 254a Mint 1977-78 French issue new currency local (Port Vila) surcharges, 35f on 35c Kingfisher and 200f on 5f Great Green Turban shell, matching upper right corner examples from Setting II (2.1mm space between figures and 'FNH'), unmounted o.g. A scarce pair. P190014732 £80

NORFOLK ISLAND



SG 113a Mint 1970-71 Birds 25c Parrots, error GLAZED PAPER, unmounted o.g. Very rare. Only one sheet believed to have been issued. With normal for comparison. Ex Langan (Murray Payne 28 Nov 2017, lot 728). P190014701 £475

PAPUA NEW GUINEA



SG SB1 Booklet 1970 (28 Jan) 50c booklet, green on olive-yellow cover with 'POSTAGE STAMP' in seriffed type. Very fine and scarce, the pane with sheet number '037045'. P190014734 £375

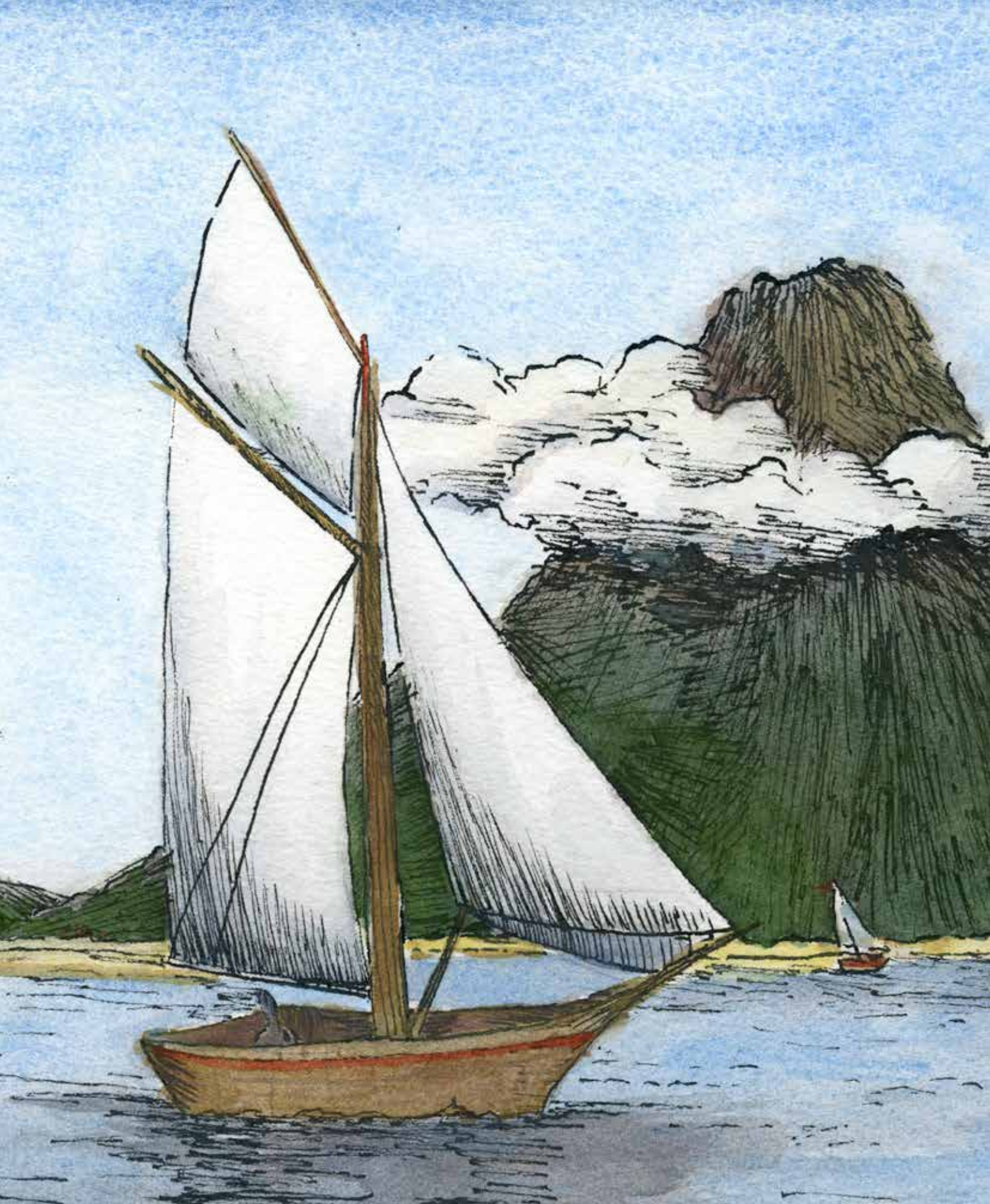
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SG 4a Mint 1886-88 1s deep green, perf 12½, part o.g. Minor blemishes on reverse (wrinkles, traces of perf toning) but well-centred and of fine fresh appearance. (cat £100) P167003668 £60



SG 38 Cover 1918 (5 SP) registered cover (reused envelope) from Vavau to Fiji, franked by 1897 ½d indigo block of 4 in combination with Samoa 1914-15 2½d deep blue 'Lake Wakatipu', tied by individual strikes of 'VAVAU / TONGA' cds (Proud type D6) with violet oval 'REGISTERED AT / VAVAU, TONGA' handstamp (type R2) at lower left. Backstamped at Nuku'alofa (7 SP) and Suva (9 SP). The Samoa 2½d recognised as invalid by the postal authorities in Fiji, with boxed 'SUVA, FIJI' registration handstamp (type R13) and red manuscript tax markings ('Reg - /1 Postage - /2 Fine - /2 } - /5d') applied to face, but with no indication that the charge of 5d was collected. Minor cover imperfections, but a fascinating and highly unusual mixed usage, presumably prepared in the hope of obtaining examples of the newly issued Fijian postage due stamps (= SG D6/10). P190015099 £150



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