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THE DR. ADAM HUNTER COLLECTION OF EARLY NEW ZEALAND POSTAL HISTORY

In this supplement to the CP Newsletter we present the first listing of this comprehensive collection - the largest and most important of this type that we have handled. Clients should note that further listings over the next few months will be incorporated in our regular monthly Newsletter. All the items in the collection have been expertised by Dr. K.J. McNaught, one of the leading world authorities on NZ Postal History. We are grateful to Dr. McNaught for his invaluable assistance.

The Hunter collection gained the top award (Grand Award) at the Whakatane NZ National Stamp Exhibition in 1967 and contains many items of rare and unique importance.

Clients Note Please:

References: *Clients ordering from this and future catalogues who have not dealt with us previously, are requested to supply references. Your cooperation will be appreciated.*

Alternative Lots: *As is to be expected in a collection of this magnitude, certain lots are able to be repeated in similar form. As we have listed the best examples of the markings, some of these alternatives will be considerably cheaper. Clients who miss their preferred lot or require a cheaper example of a given postmark or usage, are invited to indicate this preference and consider our alternatives on approval. All lots submitted are entirely on approval (ten days please).*

Note: "L/S" indicates "Letter Sheet" or folded entire without contents.

"Entire Letter": Letter Sheet as above with complete contents.

"h/s" indicates hand stamp; "d/s", date stamp; "C.D.S.", circular date stamp; "M/S", manuscript. "Red M/S" indicated postage paid by sender on early covers.

"Black M/S", postage to pay on receipt.

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Lot No.

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REQUEST |
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| 100 (a) | (1) 1829 L/S from NZ to London No NZ postal endorsements, although endorsed "pc. favour of Capt. Swain". 9d to pay in black M/S and lower ship letter and India letter markings. Condition superb..... | |
| 100 (b) | (4) 1839 (May 24) Early L/S NZ to London. Amt. Paid illegible, 8d M/S Black (to Pay). Hobart Town mark where letter posted and London and "India letter Falmouth" receiving marks in Red. Endorsements indicate from Charles Creed, Wesleyan missionary, Mangungu. Excellent condition | P.O.R. |
| 101 (a) | (2) 1840 (Dec. 21st) Entire letter to NZ from England. London and Sydney ship letter markings. 8d paid in Red and 3d to pay in Black. Fair/good strike of KORORARIKA Crown Oval with day and month absent. 1840 date (fixed). The letter must have been received in May-June 1841 and is of an interesting personal character - " <i>Does the Frenchman give you any annoyance. As to the natives, I understand they can now dine without human flesh.</i> " Addressed "c/o Messrs. Anderson and Scott" early forwarding agents | \$550 |
| | <i>Note: Kororarika was New Zealand's first official Post Office in 1840.</i> | |
| 102 (a) | (5) 1841 (March 3rd) L/S and part letter from Rev. I.F. Churton Quite good KORORARIKA Crown Oval with day, month and year - JA.15.1840. Rare thus. 7d M/S Red and 8d M/S Black (to pay). Black English "ship letter" in single line | \$1200 |
| 103 (a) | (53) 1842 (Aug. 12th) Large envelope in fair to good condition - Sydney to Blind Bay (Nelson). "Paid ship letter Sydney", d/s and Red 3 M/S. Black hand-struck 6 in Sydney. Ship endorsement "Per Jane Goudie via Port Nicholson". Backstamped Wellington crown-in-oval "SE 4 1842". This is one of the earliest known examples of the latter in its original state - (date 1842 and multipointed star - later the star was altered and the years made changeable). A most important cover | \$2000 |
| 104 (a) | (6) 1843 Envelope (fair only) from London to Bay of Islands, via Wellington. Good Wellington Crown-within-oval (JN 1 1843) and poor (worn) KORORARIKA Crown Oval (1840 - year only). 8d M/S Red and 4d M/S Black. The Wellington oval is in later state with crude 4-pointed star and year figures changed to "44" (although here the year is not clear). The Kororarika oval is late and worn | \$750 |
| 104 (b) | (8) 1843 (9 Nov.) L/S Good, with ragged fold on face. M/S Red 4d (paid) and Black 8d (to pay). Endorsed on front "paid" and "Ship Letter" in black on back. Exceptional strike in Red of the rectangular "Paid at Kororarika NZ" hand stamp, used without the oval date stamp | \$925 |
| 105 (a) | (3) 1844 (July 1) Envelope Superb. Early Colenso corresp. from Hobart to Waimate via Sydney (alternative Sydney address erased), 3d M/S black and 4d M/S black - latter apparently for re-addressing. G.P.O. Hobart and "Paid Sydney ship letter". Outwards markings. Poor strike of KORORARIKA Crown Oval 1844 (date unchanged 1840)..... | P.O.R. |
| 105 (b) | (52) 1844 (Oct. 10) Superb L/S from London to Wellington, addressed to Col. Wakefield, M/S Red 8 (paid) and Black 4 (to pay) Fair - Nelson (Transit) Crown-in-Oval JA. 27 1845 and good Wellington Crown-in-Oval FE. 17 1845. London ship letter and Maltese Cross "paid" in Red. Ship endorsement per "Slains Castle" Superb and rare item | \$675 |
| 106 (a) | (10) 1845 Front and part letter in fair if soiled condition. London to Wellington. London "ship letter" M/S endorsement and date stamp etc. M/S Red "P8" and Black "4". Poor strike of the Nelson (Transit) Crown-in-Oval, DE. 6 1845 and fair strike of Wellington ditto, DE. 27 1845. The Nelson oval is very rare and was the first d/s in use there | \$500 |

R. Tabor

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AUCKLAND

Robert Tabor Esq
Merchant: Sydney

Wm. M.

106(f)

Per Private ship "Victory" -

account of debts
on board
French Revolution

Wm. Stafford Esq
Hobart
Tasmania
New Zealand



109(d)

R. Stephenson



Mr. P. J. Harkin
New Plymouth

112(c)

- 106 (b) (15) 1845 (3 Jan.) L/S in good condition, Auckland to London. M/S in Red "3" and Black "8" and Red "Paid ship letter, Sydney" date stamp. The L/S was posted in Sydney. No N.Z. markings, but recipient's endorsement supplies details of origin \$250
- 106 (c) (47) 1845 (Sept. 12) A most interesting entire letter from England to N.Z. M/S "Via India per packet" endorsement and Broadford d/s DE. 16 1845 in Black Tombstone and "PAID SEPT. 17 1845". London markings. M/S 1/2 (paid) and "8" in black. Two Calcutta transit markings on back (a) in Red - "Calcutta G.P.O. ship letter 9 NO. 1845" and (b) Calcutta in squared oval (black) 9 November 9 with M/S 2. Auckland transit mark - large unframed "New Zealand JU. 19 1846" on front in black and Wellington receiving mark Crown-in-oval July 2 1846 (poor strike). A most fascinating entire of this India route with markings and date stamps on the whole clean, legible and complete. The letter is personal and informative as between brothers..... \$375
- 106 (d) (48) 1845 (October) L/S and part letter, Auckland to Wellington. "T + P Ealing" h/s in Blue and Red tombstone "paid" d/s. M/S endorsed "paid" and 1/- with 8 in black. Auckland transit large unframed C.D.S. MR. 30 1846 and Wellington Crown-in-Oval Ap. 22 1846. Superb L/S in excellent condition and all markings good \$500
- 106 (e) (51) 1845 (Sept. 4) FIRST MAORI WAR (NORTH AUCKLAND) A most important L/S and part letter, strengthened around edges, but intact if soiled. "From No. 1466 Corporal John Mitchell, 58 Regt., Auckland, New Zealand" to Stamford, Lincs. Signed by Commander of 96th Regt. M/S "1" in Red (1d paid Soldiers Rate). "New Zealand" large C.D.S. (Auckland). Rectangular h/s "Paid at Auckland" in Red. English "Soldiers and Seamen's Letter by Ship" circular h/s with "4d" (to pay) and Stamford C.D.S. The letter is part of a fascinating account of an engagement with the Maoris - "I drank 1 gill of rum and away we went" and "Oh, Father, what a moment of suspense - to see so many brave fellows about to be cast into eternity ..." \$2500
- 106 (f) (56) 1845 (Sept. 1) Entire letter of superb merit. Auckland to Sydney. Auckland large unframed C.D.S. SP. 1 1845 on back and "Ship letter Sydney SE. 18 1845". Ship endorsement per "Terror" on front with M/S "4" Red and "3" Black. Rectangular "Paid at Auckland" h/s - one of the finest strikes we have seen. The letter is from a whaler on the N.Z. coast and gives important notes on early N.Z. whaling and trading in gum, coal and cattle. Superb! P.O.R.
- 106 (g) (58) 1845 (Dec. 20th) A superb entire letter, Nelson to Tewkesbury with document and seal intact. 8d M/S Red and 8d M/S Black. "Paid" M/S endorsement and superb strikes of "Paid Nelson" rectangular h/s in Red and the Nelson Crown-in-Oval. "Ship letter" h/s in Red and Tewkesbury C.D.S. DE. 21 1845. A superb cover in every way \$1250
- 107 (a) (7) 1846 (March 30) Envelope (Fair only). Leamington to Wellington. Leamington and Tombstone post marks and M/S Red "P4" and Black "8". Auckland transit mark (large unframed, New Zealand Handbook, Vol. VI, type 14), SP. 5 1846. Fair Wellington Crown-in-Oval SE. 25 1846, (details as previous lot). Envelope strengthened \$200
- 107 (b) (9) 1846 (19 December) Entire letter to London in absolutely superb condition. Ship endorsement "Per Ralph Bernal" 19 December 46" and M/S 4 (Red) 8d (Black). Lovely clear strike on front of the rectangular "Paid at Wellington" h/s and Wellington Crown-in-Oval d/s on the back (a superb strike). A wonderful item P.O.R.
- 108 (a) (11) 1847 (April 6th) L/S in fair condition with many endorsements. Wellington to Glasgow. Wellington Crown-in-Oval Ap. 6 1847 (note year changed) - a fair legible strike on back. "Paid at Wellington" h/s in red on front (fair to good strike). Re-addressed in Glasgow twice, with resultant M/S markings (to pay) "8", "9" and "10" in black (1d added for each re-addressing) \$500
- 108 (b) (20) 1847 (Sept. 9) L/S in fine condition. Early strikes of the two Auckland markings unframed C.D.S. and Auckland Crowned Circle. M/S 4 in Red 8 in Black. London "Ship letter" in Black. Superb item and fine strikes of the two significant markings (see item 12 for later usage) P.O.R.

- 108 (c) (57) 1847 (Jan. 9th) L/S and part letter, Wellington to Devonport, England. Wellington Crown-in-Oval JA. 16 1847 (superb) and rectangular "Paid at Wellington" in Red (very late use) - fair strike. M/S 1/4 in Red (paid) and 2/8 in black (to pay). The letter is business and legal correspondence. Superb L/S \$800
- 108 (d) (60) 1847 (Sept 2) Entire business letter in outstanding condition. Wellington to Sydney. Endorsement within per "Comet". An unusual combination of Wellington Crown-in-Oval and Crowned Circle, both quite superb strikes. Also Sydney ship letter OC. 15 1847. The oval marking equates the latest date known for this d/s and must have been nearing withdrawal. M/S Red "4" Black "3". Superb! \$750
- 109 (a) (35) 1848 (27 Sept.) Envelope in fair only condition from Port Chalmers to Dublin. Endorsed "pd. 4" by postmark Port Chalmers, where there was no date stamp. The letter appears to be genuine. M/S "4" in Red and 7 (?) in Black. Wellington transit marks. Unframed C.D.S. OC. 19 1848 (fine) and superb Wellington Crowned Circle. Most interesting P.O.R.
- 109 (b) (36) 1848 (Dec. 5) Entire letter Port Chalmers to Dublin of the period before Dunedin letters were inscribed "Otago" (see No. 35). M/S Red 4 and Black 7. An erased "Paid 8" endorsement may originate from the Port Chalmers Post Office. Wellington transit unframed C.D.S. DE. 19 1848 and fine strike Crowned Circle. The letter is fascinating - from Rev. Thomas Burns - "*A careful, hard working man with £500 will earn his independence in 4 or 5 years*" and many details all about arrival of immigrants, etc., etc. Superb entire and letter..... \$600
- 109 (c) (37) 1848 (Dec. 5) L/S only, in poor condition - all details as above. The "Paid 8d" may come from the Port Chalmers Post Office. Superb Wellington Crowned Circle P.O.R.
- 109 (d) (79) 1848 (Mar 1) Envelope, Edinburgh to Nelson. "Paid 8d" in M/S Red and Edinburgh C.D.S. with Red tombstone 2 MR 1848. Nelson C.D.S. AUG. 1848 and handstruck "4" (to pay) in black. OTAKOU Crown-within-Oval on flap dated July 8 1848 (transit mark). The letter is believed to be unique on full envelope and with the following lot make the only two copies known in private hands. (illustrated) The OTAKOU Crown-in-Oval is believed to have been in use for a short time only during 1848 \$3500
- 109 (e) (109) 1848 (Apr. 28) Part of envelope Edinburgh to Nelson. "Paid 8d" M/S and "Paid Edin." C.D.S. with tombstone in Red - Paid 29 April 1848. "Castle Street" in black square. Nelson C.D.S. "OC 27 1848" and 8 M/S in black (to pay). OTAKOU Crown-in-Oval d/s (transit) SE. 18 1848. The only other example in private hands (see previous lot) \$2000
- 110 (a) (34) 1849 (July 28) Superb L/S from Sydney to Wellington. "Paid ship letter, Sydney" date stamp and handstruck "4" (to pay in Wellington). Ship endorsement per "Sir Charles Forbes" is good. Red "3" M/S for post paid, Sydney. Wellington unframed C.D.S. AU. 12 1849. Fairly good strike \$300
- 110 (b) (185) 1849 (Oct. 20) L/S in good condition. EARLY REGISTRATION COVER. Endorsed "Registered" "via Sydney". Auckland C.D.S. and Crowned Circle. M/S Red 4 and 1/2 M/S Black to pay. A most rare and important item \$425
- 110 (c) (376) 1849 (16 Nov.) Entire letter in superb condition of vast historical importance. Written by Bishop G.A. Selwyn, first Anglican Bishop of N.Z. The letter is written to Rev. I.F. Lloyd. in Wellington welcoming his forthcoming assistance. Bishop Selwyn goes into great detail of the hardships he faces in his extended diocese (which included huge areas of the South Pacific). Auckland Crowned Circle, C.D.S. and Wellington C.D.S. Early registered cover. P.O.R.
- 111 (a) (13) 1850 (June 15) L/S in fair condition. Unframed C.D.S. of Auckland and New Plymouth. The latter is the first New Plymouth C.D.S. and is scarce (later replaced by the resurrected Crown-in-Oval). Incomplete strike, but important. This is an "unpaid" L/S of the pre-1862 period when postage prepayment became obligatory. M/S "8" in Black. Ship endorsement "per May James" \$100

- 111 (b) (26) 1850 (June 21) Entire letter in fair (soiled) condition. Auckland Crowned Circle (poor) and unframed C.D.S. (good). M/S Red "4" and Black "8". The letter gives a description of life in N.S.W. and N.Z., written by a religious father to his daughter in South Wales. Historical interest with types of fruit, current prices for foodstuffs, wage rates ("6/- and 7/- a day for carpenters") in N.S.W. Of historical interest \$125
- 111 (c) (38) 1850 (11 May) Envelope to Dublin in superb condition with somewhat creased flap. Flap bears the important "Post Office Otago 11th May 1850" M/S endorsement and is most rare. M/S 4d Red, 8d Black. An important envelope (from Rev. Burns) if endorsement scuffed \$500
- 111 (d) (70) 1850 (Dec. 2) Envelope, Wellington to Whanganui (sic). Superb little item of small size. Item unpaid with h/s 4, Petre C.D.S., DE. 5 1850 P.O.R.
- 112 (a) (22) 1851 (May 21) Entire letter (account). Poor example Auckland unpaid letter to New Plymouth ("Taranki"). The first New Plymouth C.D.S., 29 May 1851, was showing signs of advanced wear and this 1851 L/S confirms the fact - latest date known: Black h/s "2" \$75
- 112 (b) (61) 1851 (Oct. 29) Envelope and letter enclosed. Nelson to Cheltenham. Nelson C.D.S. and Crowned Circle (good). M/S Red "2" and Black 1/2. Superb in all respects. The letter is a discussion of land investment and legal considerations in Nelson. A fine item P.O.R.
- 112 (c) (375) 1851 (Nov. 15) Unpaid item Wellington to New Plymouth. Endorsement (ship), but no Wellington markings. Handstruck "2" in Black and New Plymouth Crown-in-Oval d/s in the second period of its use (1851), this an early example. This is an excellent strike of a scarce item. Letter spiked (illustrated) \$1150
- 113 (a) (12) 1852 (October 20th) Envelope in superb condition. Auckland to York. M/S Red "2" and "8" in Green. York and "Liverpool ship" markings on back. Also unframed Auckland d/s and Auckland Crowned Circle on front - a superb strike and a fairly late use. A lovely item! Spectacular \$225
- 113 (b) (71) 1852 (DEC. 28) Fine (if torn) L/S Petre to Wellington. (Both C.D.S.) with Petre D/S.2 to pay (unpaid item) \$80
- 114 (a) (39) 1853 (March) Entire letter to London in excellent condition from early Hawkes Bay settler, E.S. Curling. Ship endorsement per "Stately". M/S Red "4" and Black 1/4 (?). Wellington unframed C.D.S., Ap. 23 1853 and superb Crowned Circle. Letter includes interesting political commentary of the day and other details. "Free trade - republicanism is the cry here." \$225
- 114 (b) (49) 1853 (Jan 1) Envelope in tatty condition, but representing several important features. From London to New Plymouth, it bears the forwarding agents' mark on back, "Henry H. Willis and Co., General Commission Agents, Crosby Square, London". Ship endorsement is per "Simlah". Auckland unframed C.D.S., JU. 10 1853 and significantly second period of use New Plymouth Crown-in-Oval, d/s (poor) with year 1851 unchanged "JU 18". Also M/S 2 in Black \$400
- 114 (c) (64) 1853 (Aug. 18) Wanganui to Wellington. Superb L/S of great rarity. M/S 2 in Red (paid) and Wellington and Petre unframed C.D.S. "PETRE" Crowned Circle - one of the finest examples extant with bright colour (red) and legibility (most are faint). A most impressive item \$1100
- 114 (d) (65) 1853 (Feb. 28) Entire L/S and letter Lyttelton to London. Back-stamped Port Victoria (good) FE. 28 1853 and front Port Victoria in Crowned Circle. Most rare and a superb strike. Written from Springs Station, Canterbury (illustrated) \$625
- 114 (e) (74) 1853 (Feb. 25) Postal stationery envelope (1d embossed pink oval) London to Lyttelton. London ship letter and paid markings with M/S 8 in Red. Handstruck 2 in Black with Nelson (JU 10 1853) and Port Victoria (JY 23 1853) C.D.S. A spectacular and interesting item \$200

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- 114 (f) (75) 1853 (April 23) Entire letter Wellington to New Plymouth in superb condition (spike-hole through face). New Plymouth C.D.S. with rev. 2 and Wgtn. C.D.S. Handstruck "2" in Black (unpaid article).... \$75
- 114 (g) (128) 1853 (Jan. 16) L/S and part letter, Otago to Derby. Red M/S "2" and Black 8 (to pay). Endorsed "Paid". Back-stamped (illustrated) Otago C.D.S. and on front a superb strike of the "OTAGO" Crowned Circle - most rare P.O.R.
- 115 (a) (28) 1854 (May 10) Good envelope with later uses of Auckland unframed C.D.S. (good) and Crowned Circle (poor). Auckland to Lincolnshire; the front shows handstruck "4" in Red and Black M/S 2/- \$125
- 115 (b) (29) 1854 (July 3) Good L/S shows unframed Auck. C.D.S. and superb strike of Auck. Crowned Circle. Handstruck "2" in Red with M/S 8 in Black (to pay) \$250
- 115 (c) (32) 1854 (October 17) Entire letter in good condition Ahuriri (Napier) to London. Ahuriri was part of Wellington province. M/S Red "2" and Black "2" to pay (local) also M/S Black "6" to pay by recipient in London for onward transmission from Wellington. Wellington Crowned Circle - fair strike and unframed C.D.S. NO. 6 1854. Endorsed "per first ship", "via Wellington". Interesting combination of rates. The letter, from Capt. Curling, is good, discussing the effects of the Crimean War on N.Z., shortage of labour, labour relations. "You would hardly credit what one has to submit to from the labouring class." "I still think the blood-thirsty Turks are hardly worth this expense." Historical and interesting \$400
- 115 (d) (135) 1854 (Nov. 25) Envelope in fairly good condition. Dunedin to Dublin. Red M/S "4" paid and Black 6 (to pay). OTAGO Crowned Circle (fair) and backstamped "Dunedin" unframed C.D.S. "NO. 25 1854". Believed to be the earliest use of this C.D.S. recorded. Superb and important Cover \$750
- 116 (a) (46) 1855 (Mar. 19) Unpaid pre-stamp entire letter Wellington (C.D.S.) to New Plymouth (2nd type C.D.S. with reversed 2, MR. 29 1855). Handstruck "2" in Black (to pay) \$85
- 116 (b) (62) 1855 (May 14) Envelope with back damage. Local letter with 2d paid local rate (M/S in Red) and superb strike of Nelson Crowned Circle P.O.R.
- 116 (c) (76) 1855 (June 2) Late pre-stamp local L/S (unpaid) "O.H.M.S." endorsement. Unframed Nelson C.D.S. Recipient, T.L. Miller, Provincial Secty., notes state "Mr. David Jennings stating is (sic) opinion that the jetty at Motueka is useless". Black handstruck "2" (unpaid) \$80
- 117 (a) (19) 1856 (March 10) unpaid L/S in good condition, Auckland to New Plymouth. It falls into the "stampless" period before pre-payment of postage became obligatory (1862). Handstruck "2" in Black for postage to pay and Auckland unframed C.D.S. New Plymouth unframed C.D.S. of the second type (with reversed "Z" of "Zealand"). The latter a superb strike. Ship letter endorsement per "Zillah". Lovely item and unusual \$125
- 117 (b) (31) 1856 (Nov. 3rd) Entire letter in fair condition. Good strikes of Auckland unframed C.D.S., Auckland Crowned Circle, superb red handstruck 2 and 2nd New Plymouth unframed C.D.S. with reversed Z. This is a stampless L/S with 2d postage prepaid. The Crowned Circle is unusual in this context, possibly indicating a lack of stamps and the New Plymouth marking scarce in our opinion \$300
- 120 (c) (217) 1860 (Jan. 17) Envelope (superb) Mahurangi (40 miles north of Auckland) to Salisbury. Superb M/S endorsement in mauve ink, "6d Paid at Mahurangi". Auckland confirmation of payment using "PAID Auckland" C.D.S. "JA. 23 1860". A superb and rare example of post-master's M/S cancellation (stampless)..... (illustrated) \$475