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THE NEW ZEALAND STRAIGHT LINE "PAID ALL" MARKINGS

by J. EDGAR WILLIAMS

The purpose of this article is to provide an analysis and some conclusions about the postal markings "PAID ALL" in a straight line, which appear on New Zealand covers of the 1870's - 1890's. I hope it will stimulate further research on some questions which remain unanswered. Little appears to have been written about these markings. The only mention of "Paid All" in *The Postage Stamps of New Zealand*, Vol. III (Postal History) is a reference on p. 419 to a postal regulation issued on 1 June 1893. This regulation called for the use of a "Paid" stamp on circular mail. It says that, until special stamps for this purpose could be provided, "in the meantime, the stamp 'Paid All' or 'Prepaid' may be used." The clear implication is that there were already in existence stamps saying "Paid All" and "Prepaid". None of these stamps is illustrated, and it was said that, at that time, no covers were known bearing those stamps. However PSNZ Vol. IV p. 492 refers to Vol. III and states: "Impressions have since been seen so that this problem is solved." Illustrations are given of two circular date stamps containing the words "Paid All" and "Prepaid", which are clearly the special ones which the 1893 circular said were to be prepared. Also illustrated are two straight-line "Paid All" stamps which appear to be the ones I have labelled types 1 and 5 (below). Prior to 1986, then, it was generally believed: (a) that the two types of "Paid All" stamps were related, since they appeared together in Vol. IV; (b) that there were two formats of straight-line "Paid All" stamps; and (c) that one of these was "an early marking found in red on 'Full Faces'", while the other, in blue, was used in Invercargill.

Gerald Elliott's comprehensive work, New Zealand Postal Routes and Rates Pre -1874, (1986) mentioned the marking "Paid All" as a requirement of the U.S. - N.Z. Postal Convention of 1870, which is quoted in full. Elliott also illustrates one such marking and shows two early covers to the U.S. carrying the marking: June 1872 and Jan. 1873. Also shown are two covers to the U.S., May 1871 and Feb. 1872, which do not show the marking, though they were sent after the treaty date. No covers are shown with this marking to any country except the U.S., although other "Paid" markings abound.

A short section in PSNZ Vol. VII, relying heavily on Elliott, notes the existence of two unframed "Paid All" markings, one slightly larger than the other. These would probably be my types 1 and 3. The illustrations appear to be hand-drawn and are not exact. Vol. VII adds "It is likely that similar markings were used at other Chief Post Offices on direct mail for the United States carried on the San Francisco services from 1871".

In recent discussions with a number of New Zealand specialists, both collectors and dealers, I have found some uncertainty about whether this was a N.Z. or a U.S. marking, despite the remark in Vol. VII quoted above. I have analyzed 25 covers in my collection showing straight-line "Paid All" markings, and have concluded that they were indeed applied in New Zealand on mail to the United States. I have found seven different formats, three of which are correlated with a specific city or province of N.Z. Lack of correlation of others may be for lack of sufficient specimens. However, there are some ambiguities and inconsistencies which provide an ample field for further research.

A full illustration sheet will appear in April's Newsletter showing the different types identified by Ed. Williams of the "Paid All" handstamp.

The Postal Convention between the U.S. and N.Z., which came into effect December 1, 1870, required (Art. IX) that: "Every fully prepaid letter dispatched from one country to the other shall be plainly stamped and with the words 'Paid All' in red ink, on the upper right hand corner of the address..." The purpose of the marking was to inform the postal officials of the country to which the letter was addressed that the letter was fully prepaid and no additional postage was to be collected. The postal authorities could not be expected to know the correct postal rates of all other countries, involving different currencies. The marking was, in theory, no longer necessary after the signing of the General Postal Union Treaty at Berne in October, 1874, and especially after the Universal Postal Union Convention was adopted in June, 1878. However, New Zealand did not adhere to the UPU Convention until October, 1891. Until then, postal relations between N.Z. and the U.S. continued to be on a bilateral rather than a multilateral basis.

Another factor supports the hypotheses that these "Paid All" markings were applied in New Zealand. The U.S. had similar bilateral postal agreements with other countries and colonies, including Victoria and New South Wales. Covers from those colonies to the U.S. during this time also bore a "Paid All" marking, but in quite a different format: the words appear inside an oval or circle. None that I have seen from the Australian colonies are similar to the straight-line markings found on N.Z. covers. Such covers also show the same circular U.S. "Paid All" date stamps as are seen on the N.Z. covers. Three examples of the N.S.W. markings are: (1) a May 5, 1876 cover from Sydney to San Francisco showing on the front the red, circular "San Francisco - Paid All" stamp dated JUN 16, and also on the front, a circular orange stamp with "PAID ALL" in large letters across the centre; (2) a post card from Newcastle NSW to Ypsilanti, Mich. dated OC 21 85, showing the circular purple "Chicago" receiving/transit stamp dated NO -6 and also an oval stamp in mauve with "PAID ALL" in large letters; (3) a SP 7 87 cover from Sydney to Columbus, Ohio, showing the same Chicago stamp dated OCT 6 and the same oval "PAID ALL" in mauve. It seems most unlikely that two different kinds of "Paid All" stamps would have been applied in the U.S., one being a circular date-stamp type and the other bearing only the words "Paid All" in different formats. It seems even more unlikely that mail coming from different British colonies in the South Pacific, often on the same ship, would have received different markings at the U.S. port or mail distribution centre: several different straight line formats for N.Z. and an oval for N.S.W.

I have assigned numbers to the different type for convenience of reference. Breakdown of my covers by type, and descriptions of the various types are as follows:

- TYPE 1 - Words in plain capital letters, in mauve, orange, or red-orange, 24-25 mm long and 4-5 mm high. 10 covers.
- TYPE 2 - Words in large, plain capital letters, in orange or black, between parallel bars; 45 mm long and 11 mm high. 4 covers.
- TYPE 3 - Words in plain capital letters, in red-orange, similar to Format 1, but larger: 32 mm long, 6 mm high. One cover.

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TYPE 4 - Words in plain capital letters, in purple, in double-lined box (double line not always clear), 40 mm long, 12 mm high. 4 covers.

TYPE 5 - Words in letters with serifs, in mauve or orange, in single-lined box, 57 mm long, 13 mm high. 2 covers.

TYPE 6 - Words in plain capital letters, first letters of each word larger, in mauve, 35 mm long, 8 mm high, one cover.

TYPE 7 - Words in letters with serifs, unboxed, in orange, 40 mm long, 7 mm high, two covers.

The dates of usage of my ten examples of Type 1 range from July, 1875, to June, 1891. Most are in orange, but a few are in indeterminate color, possibly due to aging. All are from Auckland city or province. All but two covers (both to the East Coast of the U.S.) show San Francisco circular "Paid All" date stamps, the earlier ones being in red and the later in black. The two Full Face covers illustrated in Elliott show Type 1, and both were sent on ships from Auckland, in 1872 and 1873. Type 2 presents a problem in that not all examples are correlated with the same geographic area. There are two examples from 1876 and 1877, both being in orange and both from the Christchurch postal area. The two in black are 1889 and 1890. One is from the Christchurch area, but the other is from the Wellington area, from Hawera via Wanganui and the Railway Post Office. (There are, of course, many instances of postal marking devices being transferred from one office to another). Three of these covers have San Francisco "Paid All" date stamps, and the other a similar stamp from New York. I have only one example of Type 3, in orange, on a cover from Auckland to San Diego which has the San Francisco circular marking in red.

Type 4 is clearly correlated with Dunedin. Four of my five covers showed Dunedin date stamps and the other shows Ettrick, near Dunedin. The dates are from 1885 to 1891. Three of these have either N.Y. or San Francisco "Paid All" marks; one (1887) has a postage due mark (1 cent, although the cover has what appears to be the correct rate, 6d); and the other, which arrived in Chicago in Dec. 1891, after N.Z. had joined the UPU, showed no U.S. "Paid All" mark. All have the straight-line "Paid All" in purple.

I have two covers showing Type 5: (1) an 1884 cover from Auckland to Santa Cruz, CA, with the "Paid All" in orange, showing the San Francisco red circular "Paid All" date stamp; and (2) an 1897 cover from Nelson (per "Alameda") to San Francisco with the marking in mauve, showing the black circular San Francisco "Paid All" date stamp. This is the type which Collins in Vol. IV mentioned as being used in Invercargill.

Type 6 is represented by only one cover, from Wellington to Rhode Island in 1883, with the marking in mauve. It is "via Frisco" but has the New York duplex "Paid All" date stamp. Type 7 presents a fascinating problem, since my only two examples appear, in orange, on covers from the U.S. to N.Z. One is an 1889 cover from Allegheny PA to Onehunga (Auckland). The other is an 1888 cover from Rochester N.Y. to Blenheim, in the South Island. This one was sent via New York, from whence it was returned to Rochester for additional postage.

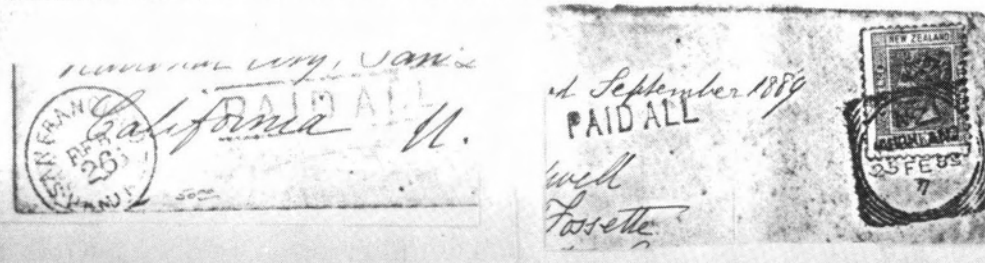
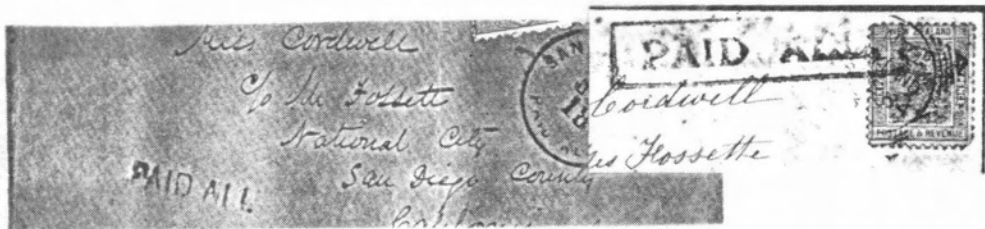
Could this stamp have been applied in the U.S.? Unlikely. The 1889 cover shows a San Francisco transit mark. The other, as mentioned, went via New York, and if it transited San Francisco, probably did so in a sealed mail bag.

I have two covers, both 1885, which should have the "Paid All" marking but do not. They probably just slipped through. Both show correct 6d postage. One is from Geraldine, near Christchurch, and the other from Auckland. It is probably only a coincidence that they both transited Chicago.

The evidence seems compelling that the straight line "Paid All" markings were applied at different Chief Post Offices in New Zealand. Of the seven different types, there are enough specimens of three to be able to draw a correlation which a specific Chief Post Office. These are Type 1, all ten of which are from Auckland or the surrounding area; type 2, where 3 of the 4 specimens are on covers sent via Christchurch; and Type 4, all five of the specimens being from Dunedin and vicinity. (A dealer at NZ 1990 showed me a cover from the Dunedin gold fields with this type.) Though by now it seems obvious, it should perhaps be stated that there is no apparent connection between the N.Z. circular "Paid All" date stamps and the straight line "Paid All" markings, which were meant for a use unrelated to the circular ones, except that the straight line ones might have been called out of retirement and used temporarily at some post offices for a short time in 1893 while the circular ones were being prepared for use with (appropriately enough) circular letters. (What a pity that no one had yet thought of circular postage stamps.)

What we now need are more specimens, especially of the scarcer formats. Also, any examples of "Paid All" on 1871 covers would be of special interest. I would greatly appreciate readers sending me photocopies and/or descriptions of any covers showing these markings, and any information which would corroborate or contradict any of the above analysis and conclusions. Please write me c/- Campbell Paterson Ltd., P.O.Box 5555, Auckland, New Zealand.

The above article also appears in "The Informer" journal of the U.S.A. based Society of Australasian Specialists - Oceania, and is published with their kind permission.



NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

1991 SHEEP ISSUE

The most recent New Zealand new issue features sheep and the set was released on the 23rd January 1991. The set of six stamps was designed by Lindy Fisher of Auckland and portrays (40c) Coopworth, (60c) Perindale, (80c) Corriedale, (\$1.00) Drysdale, (\$1.50) South Suffolk, (\$1.80) Romney. First Day Covers and Presentation Packs were offered by New Zealand Post. The set is pleasing and while it probably will be more significant to farmers, does highlight the importance of the sheep industry to New Zealand's export drive. The colours in the low values are remarkably similar and this may cause some problem in Post Offices.

The stamps were printed by Leigh-Mardon Pty. Ltd. Australia by lithography on paper provided by Harrison and Sons Ltd., U.K. Perforation gauges are 14x14½.

VARIETY:

We are advised that several values in the set are appearing with both perforated and unperforated left-hand selvages. So far we have only seen the 40c in both states.

ANTARCTIC BIRDS:

In the 50c Wilson Storm Petrel three major shade variations have been noted. All three shades affect the whole appearance of the stamp and range between scarce extremes of Reddish and Dark (cold) Blue with a common intermediate shade. The shade extreme appeared early in the issue and now appear to be almost unavailable. A number of small plate faults were noted, largely of a transient nature.

25c HAURAKI GULF (1970 PICTORIALS P17a)

Elsewhere in this issue appears a report of one of the major finds in this issue in the past few years.

1977 HEALTH ISSUE 7c + 2c GIRL AND DOVE

Val Palenski of Palmerston North Stamp Centre has pointed out that the major perforation shift announced by Angela in our Christmas number has been reported previously and there may have been a total of two or three sheets, of which our recently reported supply is a part.

25c HAURAKI GULF NATIONAL PARK (P17a)**A MAJOR NEW DISCOVERY**

from Colin Hamilton

Nearly 20 years after this stamp was issued, I have found two mint blocks - a total of 18 stamps - with the design printed on the gum. To be absolutely certain of my 'diagnosis', I sacrificed one copy (actually it was slightly damaged) by floating it face downwards on water for a couple of minutes. Result - a completely blank bit of paper! The design came cleanly away with the gum. So I can give an absolute cast-iron guarantee that the 17 stamps remaining (all perfect, incidentally) are the real thing. There is no watermark in this issue, of course. Had there been one, it would have been reversed, since the gum was on the correct (unsurfaced) side of the paper. There are, however, two peculiarities which make the variety

stamps immediately recognisable. First, the brown colour, printing three of the moored yachts - normally a deep and bright shade - is notably pale and dull. Second, the orange colour, printing the remaining two yachts and their mooring buoys, has almost totally failed to 'take', leaving only shadowy traces of this colour. Both of these abnormalities, I am certain, can be attributed to the abnormal printing surface (i.e. the gum).

This is only the fifth recorded instance of a 'printed on the gum' variety in modern N.Z. issues. The others are the Q.E. 4d Official, 1962 Health 2½d + 1d, 1965 Parliamentary Conference 4d, and the 1969 18c Wool Industry.

The new find will, of course, be listed in the C.P. Catalogue. For the record, the stamps were from plate 1a x 5. In theory, at least 82 further copies from the '1a' sheet, and 100 in a 'plate 1' sheet would have been issued (since printing was from double-pane plates), but I very much doubt if any of these will turn up now. Still, one never knows - every copy is now worth a second (and third!) look.

POSTAL IMPRESSIONS

Treasures from N.Z.P.O. Collections

The travelling exhibition of the above name, recently found its way to Auckland and we had the pleasure of looking over what is one of the most remarkable assemblages of Post Office memorabilia and archival material likely to be displayed in New Zealand or anywhere. From original dandy rollers and plates - the hardware - to proof material, essays, sketches, and anything else related to the production of stamps, this was a veritable feast of fascination and interest.

Full marks to N.Z. Post for mounting and exposing the public to such an interesting surfeit of stamps from concept to realisation.

Not least in the Exhibition was the ringbound or looseleaf booklet put out to illustrate the display. Of forty pages and packed full of beautiful colour illustrations and reproductions, this is a booklet that no serious New Zealand collector should be without. The owner of this booklet can answer any question from the uninitiated including "why on earth collect stamps anyway?".

Above all, it is probably the most exhaustive overview of the development of stamp design yet attempted in New Zealand - even if it is hardly the critical analysis the absence of which editors deplore in other publications.

We have managed to secure a small supply for Newsletter readers

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PRE-STAMP

ESTIMATE

- A1 1843 (April 12th) Ngamotu to Wellington; extra-ordinarily rare item carrying Paid New Plymouth boxed handstamp in Red, and New Plymouth Crown in oval, dated April 12th. Flap is torn around seal and New Plymouth Crown in oval is split impression which can be reunited when the item is mounted. Also Wellington Crown in oval. Very early Missionary letter, giving information surrounding the trial of Rev. Creed. Letter written by James Wallis. Glorious item of early New Zealand history and Postal History..... \$2750
- A2 1843 (June 22nd) Waimate to Wellington. Another letter written regarding the trial of Mr. Creed, giving precise details of the circumstances. Letter sheet bears Petre straight line h.s. with fullstop in Black and Wellington Crown in oval dated Aug. 2 1843. M/S Paid 6. Another item of massive importance and great rarity..... \$7250

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Sample Post

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PRESTAMP (Cont.)

ESTIMATE

- A3 1855 (May 28) Port Victoria (Lyttelton to London). Clean item with good strike of Port Victoria Crowned Circle. Cover contained enclosures - 6d paid for 1½oz at 2d rate. Cover shows recipient's charge of 4/- (1/- per half ounce charge applied from 1846 to 1855 - cover may have been re-rated). Superb item.. \$ 650
- A4 1860 (May 15) Nelson to Beaverton (Marlborough). Local letter (no receiving marks) handstruck 2 in black. Attractive..... \$ 125

FULL FACE QUEENS

- B1 1861 (Oct. 9) Auckland to London. Superb cover bearing 6d Richardson white paper (Tan Brown) shade. Four marginal stamp which would stand out off cover. Well tied by Auckland obliterator. London receiving back stamp. Rarity shade of superb quality and exhibition status..... \$1750
- B2 1867 (June 18th) Auckland to Onehunga. 2d plate 2 perf. 12½ A2n(5) with double perfs. Scarce on cover. Another lovely item..... \$ 275
- B3 1871 (April 4) New Plymouth to Auckland. Beautiful example of A2n(6) on fine clean cover. Auckland c.d.s. well tied by '9' obliterator. Exquisite..... \$ 175
- B4 1871 (April 13) New Plymouth to Auckland 2d Blue A2n(7) on similar cover to above (B3). Fine clean item..... \$ 125

NEWSPAPER STAMPS

SIDEFACES

- C1 1900 (February 3) Queenstown to New Jersey - Registered. Brilliant and rare item with "homemade" Queenstown oval registered cachet. Not recorded previously to our knowledge. U.S. registry division receiving d.s. Exceptional. Fine 2½d, 3d. 2nd Sidefaces (5½d rate)..... \$ 575
- C2 1881 (June 8th) Nelson to Blenheim. Superb cover bearing two singles and one pair (4 copies) of B2b ½d Newspaper stamp perforation "near 12", wmk. small star. Really lovely rarity item and most unusual. Essential for specialist collection..... \$ 375
- C3 1887 (September 22) Wellington to Switzerland pair ½d Newspaper stamp (B2a) perf. 12½ wmk. small star 3d, 4d 2nd Sidefaces perf. 12x11½. Zurich receiving c.d.s. Superb..... \$ 350
- C4 1896 (February 4th) Austin Walsh Cards. Nice little set of mint and v. fine used of this early N.Z. private postal stationery..... \$ 250
- C5 1898 (November 25th) Havelock to Blenheim registered item in fair condition. Flap torn. 5d 2nd sideface perf. 11. All markings..... \$ 30
- C6 1899 (May 11th) Picton to Blenheim 1d and 2d Side-faces on loose letter item. Cachet and receiving d.s. Beautiful item..... \$ 85
- C7 1900 (February 22) Auckland to Blenheim. Auckland 3 ring c.d.s., R.P.O. Wn c.d.s. Blenheim rec. c.d.s. on "Ancient Order of Foresters" envelope. Some soiling..... \$ 25

	1898 PICTORIALS	ESTIMATE
D1	<u>1898 (Oct. 24th) London prints on cover used at Whakarewarewa.</u> ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 8d, 9d, 1/- . A few tone spots but an excellent item and rare. Spectacular.....	\$ 150
D2	<u>1899 (April 27th) Thames to Auckland 1d Purple</u> Mt. Cook block of four on commercial cover. Few tears and toning: unusual item.....	\$ 50
D3	<u>1899 (January 27th) Blenheim local letter.</u> Strip of four ½d Purple Mt. Cook. Flap slightly torn. Lovely item.....	\$ 70
D4	<u>1899 (April 21st) Blenheim local letter.</u> Strip of three and pair ½d Purple Mt. Cook (one stamp removed). Four strikes of M1 obliterator and "loose letter" boxed handstamp. Gen. good condition.....	\$ 20
D5	<u>1899 (February 16th) Blenheim local letter.</u> ½d Purple Mt. Cook block of four on superb commercial cover. Glorious item.....	\$ 105
D6	<u>1899 (January 26th) Deep Creek to Blenheim -</u> registered. 1d Taupo strip of three, fine and 2d Pembroke Peak, Brown Lake. Rare commercial registered item.....	\$ 185
D7	<u>1899 dates</u> useful set of four 1d Taupo (pairs) covers all addr. Blenheim: Renwicktown, Tuamarina, Picton, Wellington. Cond. good, all rec. d.s.....	\$ 125
D8	<u>1900 (May 15) Nelson to Blenheim</u> pair 1d Terraces (fine) Nelson sq. circle, Blenheim d.s.....	\$ 30
D9	<u>1900 (May 4) Dunedin to Blenheim.</u> Similar lot to above. Good cond. if flap torn.....	\$ 25
D10	<u>1900 (July 16) Auckland local letter</u> 1d Terraces on cover. Canc. Auckland, three conc. ring c.d.s. Fine.....	\$ 45
D11	<u>1907 (December 3rd) Christchurch to British Antarctic Expedition.</u> Spoof letter to imaginary addressee M/S "per s.s. Maori". Loose letter cachet and Brit. Antarc. Exped. c.d.s. 2.30 p.m. FE 3 1908. 1½d Boer War and 1d Universal.....	\$ 50
D12	<u>1904 (July 9th) Dunedin to Hobart.</u> Registered with two copies 2d Purple perf. 14 (E6b). Boxed Reg. h.s. and Reg. c.d.s. Hobart backstamp (spiked).....	\$ 55
D13	<u>1898 (July 11) Nelson to Blenheim on Nelson College stationery.</u> 2d Lake-brown. Nelson sq. circle, Blenheim backstamp. Lovely item.....	\$ 95
D14	<u>1899 (February 21) Wellington to Blenheim.</u> Parcels label of Nelson Moate and Co. Ltd. M/S "Sample Post" Two copies 2d Brown Lake (4d paid) and Wgtn c.d.s. with Blenheim receiving c.d.s. Superb example of usage and very unusual. Important.....	\$ 195
D15	<u>1906 (May 9th) Wellington local letter.</u> 2½d Wakatipu error (E7a). Discol. but scarce.....	\$ 20
D16	<u>1906 (March 26) Auckland to Sumatra.</u> 2½d Wakatipu wmk. p11 (E8c) franks this extraordinary Cook's tour of the Far East. The item ends up in the N.Z. Dead Letter Office on 20th Feb. 1907 but in the meantime traverses a dozen offices including Jesselton, Medan, Singapore etc. Superb specialist Postal History....	\$ 150

1898 PICTORIALS (Cont.)

ESTIMATE

D17	1913 (December 11) <u>Cambridge to Wellington</u> 3d Huias E8d with Cambridge machine cancel. Nice, nice item..	\$ 30
D18	1905 (February 5) <u>Feilding to Hobart</u> , spiked item 3d Huias (E9c and 1d Universal). Registered.....	\$ 15
D19	1904 (August 19th) <u>Invercargill to Hobart</u> . Registered spiked - 3d Huias, 1d universal.....	\$ 15
D20	1904 (August 17) <u>Masterton to Hobart</u> , 3d Huias, 1d universal, ½d Green Mt. Cook on spiked Tattersalls item.....	\$ 10
D21	1901 (December 18th) <u>Dunedin to Christchurch</u> . Registered. 4d Taupo (E12a no wmk. p11) Christchurch receiving d.s. Superb.....	\$ 150
D22	1907 (May 31) <u>Wellington to Tasmania</u> . Registered, spiked item 4d Taupo (E12c), good.....	\$ 15
D23	1899 (May 11) <u>Waiuku to New York</u> 5d Otira (E13a), Red-chocolate, neatly cancelled on spotted cover. All rec.b.s. Scarce.....	\$ 50
D24	1905 (February 10th) <u>Wellington to Hobart</u> 5d Otira <u>Gorge</u> (E13c) on Reg. cover (spiked). 5d is Sepia shade and scarce	\$ 75
D25	1901 (March 11th) <u>Hokitika to Hobart</u> . Reg. spiked 5d Otira (E13b) Red Brown. Attractive.....	\$ 20
D26	1905 (January 25th) <u>Auckland to Hobart</u> 6d Kiwi, p.11 wmk. on Reg. cover, spiked and opened out.....	\$ 5
D27	1907 (August 9th) <u>Wellington to Hobart</u> , Registered, spiked. E15a 6d Kiwi (redrawn p14), attractive.....	\$ 125

POSTAGE DUE

E1	1907 (December 10th) <u>Auckland to Blenheim</u> unstamped item with "2d to pay" cachet and 2d 2nd Type Due p.14 sideways wmk (Y17b). Fine piece.....	\$ 75
E2	1909 (October 1st) <u>Chicago to Blenheim</u> . US advert. cover ("The Horse Review") with 3d "to pay" h.s. in Red. Strip of three Y16b (perf. 14), another superb item (all rec. d.s. etc).....	\$ 75

METER MARK

F1	1910 (May 11) <u>Auckland to London</u> , 1d meter mark (PSNZ page 431 Type 5) Auckland F.M.B. c.d.s. and Auckland "Paid" c.d.s. in red. End "via Vancouver". London rec. d.s. Very fine item.....	\$ 325
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1d UNIVERSAL

G1	1901 (December 5th) <u>Oamaru local letter</u> . 1d London print: advertising envelope of "Stella Cycle Works" (C.T.Jessup).....	\$ 20
G2	1903 (May 26th) <u>Christchurch to Hoboken, New Jersey</u> . All rec. d.s. etc. Pair of G7a Booklet issue with imperf. side selvages; also ½d Green. Lovely item - scarce thus.....	\$ 125

CLOSING DATE OF SALE
12th APRIL 1991

	BOER WAR	ESTIMATE
H1	<u>1900 (September 5th) British Army F.P.O. to Blenheim.</u> O.A.S. M/S "Stamp not procurable" and 2d "to pay" H.S. with "½" added: 2d and ½d 1899 Dues. (Y1a, Y13a) Endorsed by Lieut. Simson 13 Squadron "5 NZ" all receiving d.s. incl. Wgton. flag cancel. Really glorious O.A.S. item.....	\$ 175
H2	<u>1901 (February 22nd) Blenheim to South Africa.</u> Letter passes through Johannesburg, Klerksdorp, Potchefstroom, Worcester (i.e. all civil markings), and eventually to Dead Letter Office NZ on 7th April 1901. Boxed "Returned to Defence Office, New Zealand, from South Africa" in purple on front. This possibly unique marking is unrecorded. A very important cover in this sought after group of military markings. Cover soiled and tears. UNIQUE.....	\$1200
H3	<u>1901 (April 1) BFPO to Blenheim.</u> Pair GB 1d Lilac. Inland Rev. on this O.A.S. cover. B.S. Auckland 13th May - no other markings, no flap.....	\$ 50
	LIFE INSURANCE	
I1	<u>1897 (July 3rd) Blenheim Agency to local addressee.</u> Scarce ½d Purple, perf. 11x10 (X1c) on spotted cover. Blenheim sq. circle, otherwise superb cond. Specialists cover.....	\$ 350
I2	<u>1901 (February 26th) Wellington local item, ½d</u> perf. 11 (X1g) and Wellington Flag cancel on Govt. Life mourning envelope. Cover folded lightly.....	\$ 375
I3	<u>1901 (March 29th) Auckland to Whangamata 1d Blue,</u> perf. 11 (X2f). Nice looking, clean item. Tiny frontal tear does not deface.....	\$ 375

PIGEON POST

J1	<u>1898 Barrier to Auckland on flimsey.</u> One of the three post-marked copies known of the rare first issue 1/- Deep Blue (V.P.1) original design. One strike only. Condition excellent. This is a newly discovered item. Commercial order. Important.....	\$12500
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MARINE POST OFFICES

K1	<u>1896 (November 28th) Samoa to Germany.</u> Samoa postcard in good condition (additional stamp removed). London and German receiving d.s. N.Z. Marine P.O. c.d.s. - fine strike. Rare.....	\$ 150
K2	<u>1897 (December 25th) Almeda to Hamburg (posted on</u> board) Almeda c.d.s. Apia and Hamburg c.d.s. 1d Samoa p.c. and ½d stamp added. Magnificent strike of Almeda. (Card has corner crease). Superb.....	\$ 625
K3	<u>1904 (December 10th) "Sonoma" to Apia.</u> U.S.A. embossed envelope 5c. Superb strike Sonoma c.d.s. in Green and packet boat boxed cancel. Beautiful item.....	\$ 575

CLOSING DATE OF SALE
12th APRIL 1991

WRECK COVERS

- L1 1894 (October 20th) Sydney to Blenheim. "Wairarapa"
wreck. Cachet and all markings. Good for this
wreck, commercial mail. Document intact (Photographic
info)..... \$ 425
- L2 1899 (February 17th) Auckland to Leeds, wreck
unknown. Cachet in purple (boxed) in sanserif
caps "Damaged by immersion in sea water".
Beautiful item and hardly water stained.
B.s. "Leeds 22nd March 1899" (Second we have seen
lately - will bear research..... \$ 100

PARCEL POST LABELS

- M1 1900 (December 22nd) Wellington to Blenheim. "N.Z.
Inland Parcel Post" label and stamp (3 x 1d Terraces
1 x 6d Red Kiwi (perf. 11). 9d postage prepaid.
Some tears to label. Fine example of usage..... \$ 75
- M2 1901 (February 12th) Wellington to Blenheim.
Lovely fiscal (long type) postal usage. Parcel Post
label as previous lot and fine 2/6 Brown Q.V. fiscal
perf. 11 (23e). Beautiful and rare item..... \$ 150

"ON PUBLIC SERVICE ONLY" ENVELOPES

(Official free franks and signature franks -
unstamped mail).

The following is one of the finest representations
of this emerging branch of postal history we have
seen. Several dozen items, many from rare and
possibly unique agencies of origination.

ON PUBLIC SERVICE ONLY

- N1 1896 (July 27th) Blenheim local. Blenheim sq. circle
and signature frank "Geo Robinson". Flap torn..... \$ 35
- O.P.S.O. "ELECTORAL NOTICE, LETTER"**
- N2 1899 (December 1st) Blenheim local, small size,
"Registered" deleted, "Free" printed endorsement.
Nice cond..... \$ 40
- O.P.S.O. "HEAD OFFICE, STAMP DEPARTMENT, WELLINGTON"**
- N3 1895 (March 11) Wellington to Blenheim. Embossed
flap. Fair cond. (crinkle, spotting)..... \$ 10
- O.P.S.O. "UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND"**
- N4 1895 (September 4th) Wellington to Blenheim. "James
Hector" rubber stamp endorsement. Superb condition. \$ 110

"ON RAILWAY BUSINESS ONLY"

- N5 1895 (October 18th) Blenheim local. N.Z.R. embossed
flap and "Free" N.Z.R. Picton Section rubber stamp
and signature. One or two crinkles, otherwise
superb..... \$ 85
- "THE EDUCATION BOARD OF THE DISTRICT OF WELLINGTON"**
- N6 1904 (October 22nd) Wellington to Blenheim. Wgtn.
four ring circular d.s. and rubber stamp signature
in Blue. Good..... \$ 35

O.P.S.O. POLICE

- N7 1895 (May 4th) Spring Grove to Blenheim. Endorsed
"Police Station, Spring Grove" and signed by C. Knapp,
Constable. Probably unique. Front torn..... \$ 75
- N8 1895 (February 23rd) Cullensville to Blenheim.
Signed by Constable at Cullensville "J. Franklin".
Probably unique, superb condition..... \$ 125

D21.



Via Bluff.

D27.



Mr J. J. Riordan.



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**SAMOA
POST CARD.**

The Address only to be written on this side.



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Hamburg

Germany

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Einsbüttel*



Read the "B"

OPSO (Cont.)		ESTIMATE
N9	1895 (January 7th) Wellington to Blenheim. Embossed flap envelope printed "New Zealand Police Force, Commissioner's Office, Wellington". Rubber stamp signature. Flap torn.....	\$ 50
<u>O.P.S.O. N.Z. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S OFFICE</u>		
N10	1894 (December 12) Wellington to Blenheim. Rubber stamp signature. Superb.....	\$ 85
<u>ON LAND AND INCOME TAX BUSINESS ONLY</u>		
N11	Unused printed env.addressed Commissioner of Taxes, Wellington.....	\$ 10
N12	1895 (January 29th) Wellington to Blenheim. Additional printing "To be returned if not claimed within 20 days" and "Free". Superb.....	\$ 45
N13	1894 (February 12th) Wellington to Blenheim as above with "To be returned" omitted and "Land and Income Tax Department, Wellington" added. Rubber stamp address "The Chief Postmaster" completed in M/S. Superb.....	\$ 55
N14	1893 (November 25th) Wellington to Blenheim. As N13 but flap printed "Income Tax - Confidential". Torn at top.....	\$ 25
N15	1894 (December 22nd) Wellington to Blenheim". Small size envelope "On Land and Income Tax Business only - Free". Fine.....	\$ 25
N16	1896 (July 14th) as above but "To be returned - within 20 days" added. Wgtn. sq. circle.Superb.....	\$ 30
<u>O.P.S.O. DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND SURVEY, WELLINGTON</u>		
N17	1894 (November 29th) Wellington to Blenheim. Printed envl., rubber stamp frank.....	\$ 75
N18	1895 (April 19th) Wellington to Blenheim. Printed envelope addr. "The Receiver of Land Revenue". Rubber stamp frank. Superb.....	\$ 70
N19	1893 (July 13th) Wellington to Blenheim. Printed O.P.S.O. wrapper to "The Chairman....Road Board". Must be very rare in this superb condition. M/S signature frank.....	\$ 125

HOT FROM THE PRESS

You've all heard of ethnic jokes. These are the jokes that we all tell about our - often larger and intimidating - near neighbours as dictated by geography. The English tell Irish jokes, the Swedes tell Norwegian jokes and - well - the Aussies tell Kiwi jokes. Psychologists tell us that this is the way we come to terms and cope with something that potentially frightens or intimidates us.

The following appeared in the N.Z. Herald on the 15th December 1990 and as we Kiwi's are a humourless lot, I can only assume it was apropos of nothing whatsoever.

"An Australian newspaper noted not so long ago that when Shirley Wood, of Wahroonga, received a statement from an Adelaide bank for a young man who had once lived at her house, she sent it back: 'unknown at this address.'

Since then she has received about a dozen statements addressed: 'Unknown At This Address, 115 Lucinda Ave, Wahroonga.'

	OPSO "COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE"	ESTIMATE
N20	<u>1895 (April 29th) Wellington to Blenheim. Embossed flap, M/S signature frank. Superb.....</u>	\$ 75
N21	<u>1894 (December 19th) as N20 but printed envelope reads "Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, NZ -----189-". Minor frontal tear.....</u>	\$ 65

OPSO MAGISTRATES COURT

Note: All the following covers are addressed to Blenheim. All bear the oval rubber stamp of the Court of origin. M/S signature franks as indicated.

N22	<u>1894 (March 22nd) Picton. Superb (no signature)....</u>	\$ 35
N23	<u>1896 (March 9th) Havelock. (Large size envelope), M/S frank.....</u>	\$ 40
N24	<u>1895 (December 12th) Gisborne. Signature frank.....</u>	\$ 30
N25	<u>1896 (April 28th) Patea. Signature frank.....</u>	\$ 25
N26	<u>1896 (April 28th) Brightwater Court. Pmk. Spring Grove. M/S frank C.Knapp (See Police section).....</u>	\$ 95
N27	<u>1895 (March 5th) Milton. (No M/S).....</u>	\$ 25
N28	<u>1896 (August 25th) Otaki. M/S frank. Superb.....</u>	\$ 85
N29	<u>1896 set of two. Rectangular date stamp of Mag.Court at Dunedin and Napier. Some tears - scarce(2).....</u>	\$ 50

AIRMAIL

01	<u>1930 (November 6th) Christchurch to Dunedin special airmail. Inauguration of Christchurch-Dunedin service. Non-philatelic. Superb (524 flown).....</u>	\$ 40
02	<u>1930 (December 23rd) Hastings-Gisborne and return). Dominion Airways Ltd. etiquette (sixpence) and 1d George V booklet (with Parisian tab). Signed Rosenberg and Bolt and special M/S guarantee on back, also dual signed (not more than 50 flown). Pmk. Gisborne. V.rare.....</u>	\$ 500
03	<u>1934 (December 8th) London to Invercargill. Carried on first Direct Airmail service London to Sydney. Enclosures include "Special Notice" giving postal rates of British Post Office and covering letter explaining despatch. Postage paid 1/3. Superb.....</u>	\$ 50

PRISONER OF WAR

P1	<u>Unused P.O.W. aerogramme 6d on 1/- Provisional without "see note on flap" inscription. Scarce.....</u>	\$ 300
P2	<u>1942 (September 3rd) Wellington to Hobart. Letter from Prisoners of War Enquiry Office, Joint Council of the Order of St. John and the NZ Red Cross Society. Postage free under Geneva Convention. Addr. Red Cross Bureau for Wounded. Censored. Nice item.....</u>	\$ 100

POSTAL STATIONERY

Q1	<u>AA7a 1897 (December 24th). 1d Brown Q.V. Postcard, Auckland to Blenheim. Early usage of this item....</u>	\$ 25
Q2	<u>AA8b 1898 (February 16th) Q.V. card 1½d Carmine Creamish card to California. Superb (fine used)....</u>	\$ 50
Q3	<u>AA10c 1900 (December 21st) 1d Brown, Boer War. P.C. scene "Some Riders in the Rough". Good used - few soiled areas.....</u>	\$ 40

- Q4 AA10c (1900 (June 26th) 1d Brown ditto, Wellington
(flag cancel) to Blenheim. "Major Robin". Superb... \$ 75
- Q5 AB1b 1905 (April 3) Wellington to Blenheim 1d Blue
Edwardian P.C., fine used (few marks)..... \$ 12
- Q6 AU2a ½d plus ½d Blue Edwardian Card "Reply Paid"
Unused. Superb cond. Lovely item..... \$ 75
- Q7 BB1a 1906 (March 23rd) (1900-1926) Lettercard
Waihao Downs to New Plymouth. Superb item in
perfect cond..... \$ 50
- Q8 CC2c 1907 (July 9th) 1d Carmine Embossed Edwardian
envelope: Blenheim local. Good Comm. used item.... \$ 10
- Q9 EA2b 1898 (July 29th) Clyde to Alexandra 3d Blue
Registration (Victoria) Env. No. 66 (print no. on
front). Exquisite item (4d Terraces added)..... \$ 75
- Q10 EA3b 1906 (January 24th) ditto Dunedin North to
Thames. No print order. Env. No. 66. 2d Purple
added. Spotting but good..... \$ 45
- Q11 1907 (December 23rd) Telegraph Wanganui "NZ Post
Office Telegraphs" Christmas message postcard from
Dunedin. Scene "Esplanade Napier"..... \$ 40
- "TO NEW ZEALAND" (Early)**
Superb selection of turn-of-the-century and earlier
items - some major pieces of great rarity.

R1 1895 (June 16th) Haiphong, French Indo China to
Blenheim. All markings present, including
Wellington receiving and Blenheim. Envelope of
"Service Subventionne des Correspondances
Fluviales du Tonquin". Registered. 5x Indo China
4 Ct Blue on Lilac and 1x30 Ct Blue on Brown.
Majestic item of great beauty and rarity..... \$1500

R2 1895 (January 14th) Skofde (Sweden) to Blenheim.
5x1 ore Blue on Brown, 1x2 ore Yellow on Deep Blue,
3x3 ore Yellow on Deep Brown. Another superb and
rare item - glorious rarity cover..... \$ 725

- R3 1867 (October 17th) Bishops Waltham (England) to
Auckland. 6d GB Violet "85" oblitt. "Free : Auckland"
receiving c.d.s. and various transit markings Droxford,
Southampton, London etc. Rare Auckland marking... \$ 325
- R4 1894-1895 GB to Blenheim. Two 2½d items - various
stamps, all rec. c.d.s. etc. Two nice items..... \$ 50
- R5 1904-1906 U.S.A. to N.Z. Two nice covers. (a) 1906
Washington 2c Pink embossed env. 1c Green Franklin
and 2c Red Washington added (5c rate). (b) 5c Blue
Lincoln 1904. (2 items)..... \$ 55
- R6 1894-1895 Germany to N.Z. Newspaper wrapper (5 pfennig
stamp) and tatty cover, 3 pf, 5 pf. Cover bears
4x3 pf on reverse (2 items)..... \$ 50
- R7 1895-1896 Paris to Blenheim. 5 fr. on wrapper and
also fine cover (ditto). Both lovely items..... \$ 100
- R8 1907 Fiji to Blenheim. Two damaged covers Fiji 1d
Red, and 5d Green-on-purple, Edwardian..... \$ 20
- R9 1901 (April 20th) Albany, Western Australia, to
Blenheim. 2x1d Carmine Rose. All rec. d.s. incl.
Wellington flag cancel. Flap torn..... \$ 50

TO NEW ZEALAND (Cont.)

ESTIMATE

- R10 Victoria to Blenheim. Set of five items 1881 2d Sepia, 1885 2d Mauve, 1893 1d Dull Chestnut, perfin "MB", 1898 1d ditto pair on Gordon & Gotch printed envelope, 1899 1d Chestnut ditto. Gen. cond. superb..... \$ 150
- R11 New South Wales to Blenheim. Two items 1895 2d Emu, fine 1898 2d Cobalt Blue x 2. Some tears..... \$ 25
- R12 South Australia to Blenheim. Three covers. 1881 2d Orange, Red 1882 ditto, 1906 4d Red-orange. Long type "Postage Australia". Variety N.Z. markings incl. Owaka, Renwicktown, TPO Wellington, Wanganui, Blenheim. Super set (3)..... \$ 125
- R13 Tasmania to Blenheim. 1900 2d Deep Violet. 1911. Two covers 1d Pale Red and Deeper shade. Nice items. (3 covers)..... \$ 35

NON-NEW ZEALAND

- S1 United Kingdom-First Aerial Post London-Windsor 9th Sept. 1911. Usual illus. card. Fine..... \$ 20
- S2 G.B. Newspaper Wrapper. 1/2d Q.V. Brown. Fine used "EC" (London)..... \$ 25
- S3 Fiji Postcard (with Reply Card). (Purple on Buff 1d) and Lettercard 1 1/2d Red on Grey-blue. Both unused. Fine (2 items)..... \$ 50
- S4 Ceylon set of two P.C.S. 2c Ochre on buff card x 2 both addr. Colombo (rec. c.d.s.) Pmks. Veyangod and Ambalangona. 1903 usages. Fine (2)..... \$ 50
- S5 Russia. 10 Kopec. Blue pre-revolutionary letter-card and reply lettercard. Nice item. Fine..... \$ 100
- S6 U.S.A. Printed advertising envelopes. "Hooker and Co" and on back "The genuine and original buckeye mower". Superb used 24/6/96) and advert. folder for the "Houghton Sulkie" of Marion, Ohio (used 1910), (separation at one fold of three.) Both addressed to N.Z. \$ 50

FIRST FLIGHTS SET

- S7 Alexandria-Vienna (21st April 1930) Egypt 27 Milliemes Brown Egyptian Air Mail etiquette. 1931 West Palm Beach to New York inauguration, 1936 via first American Rocket airplane flight. Hewitt N.J. and etiquette (signed). Lovely items (3)..... \$ 250
- S8 1861 (May 23) Meredith, Victoria to Melbourne. 4d Rose-pink. Nice clean item, all markings..... \$ 60
- S9 1901 (August 3rd) Victoria Postage Due item; Blenheim to Hawthorn: 2d Victoria P.Due. Item unclaimed and Dead Letter office, Melbourne and N.Z. A lot of interesting markings..... \$ 125
- S10 Australian States Selection (three items).
 (a) South Australia 1/2d Purple Newspaper Wrapper,
 (b) 1 1/2d Orange N.S.W. Lettercard June 2nd 1906,
 (c) Advert. envelope "Clements Nerve and Brain Tonic" 2x1d Red 1898. Interest \$ 85

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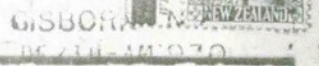


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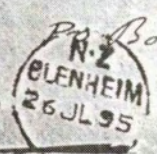
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