POSTAL RATES 1840-1937

After the establishment of a permanent settlement by Great Britain in the Falkland Islands in 1833, the first civil Governor arrived in 1842. Ten years followed in which postal communications with the outside world were wholly dependant on the irregular arrangements he managed to make with provisioning ships, sealers, whalers and other chance callers.

The postal rate at this time was high, 2s.7d. for packet mail. The situation changed with the incorporation of the Falkland Islands Company in 1851 and the first mail contract was signed on 21 April 1852. A regular mail service was established with sailings every two months and the packet rate was reduced to 1s.

A further reduction took place in 1858 but it was not until the Falkland Islands joined the Universal Postal Union on 1 April 1879 that the rate was reduced to 4d. per ½oz.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE EMPIRE

LETTERS

Before April 1879 the rates are to Great Britain only. Rates to other British Colonies were a combination of the rate to Great Britain plus the GPO rate from Great Britain to the destination.

PRE-STAMP PERIOD:

1840 2s.7d. per ½oz. (one example known) one example shown
1852 (7 June) 1s. per ½oz. (no examples known)
1858 (25 June) 6d. per ½oz., one example shown

STAMP PERIOD (from 19 June 1878):

1878 (19 June) 6d. per ½oz. (one example known) one example shown
1879 (1 April) UPU 4d. per ½oz., two examples shown
1891 (1 January) 2½d. per ½oz., two examples shown
1898 (25 December) 1d. per ½oz., one example shown
1907 (1 October) 2d. for 2oz., one example shown
[1948 (1 May) 2½d. per oz.]
RATE: Manuscript "2/7", "paid" and "p. Rio Packet"; 2sh. 7d. per half ounce, packet rate between GB and the Falkland Islands between August 1840 and July 1852

POSTMARKS: London PAID L.S. 7.MY.1844, transit marking RIO JANEIRO 1844.JU.18

CARRIED BY: "Peterel", dep. Falmouth 10/5, arr. Rio de Janeiro 18/6; "Cockatrice", dep. Rio de Janeiro 21/6, arr. Montevideo 2/7; "HMS Philomel" from Montevideo to Port William, Falkland Islands, arr. 21/10

COMMENT: The letter concerns a ship condemned at Port Louis on 8 November 1843. "Alliance Marine Ap. Office, London 7 May 1844. Sir, Not being acquainted with any one at the Falkland Islands I have taken the liberty of addressing you respecting the Ship "Venture", Capt. Patrick, that put into Port Louis in Nov. last on a voyage from the Pacific with Copper Ore for England, where she was condemned, unworthy of repair and abandoned, the Cargo being transhipped into other Vessels. The Alliance Office are underwriters on part of both Ship and freight and from the papers handed to them consisting of a Protest and Survey dated the 11 Nov 1843, signed by the Master of H.M.S. Philomel (and others), it appears she was much strained by heavy weather..."

THIS IS THE SECOND EARLIEST KNOWN COVER ADDRESSED TO THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.
By Command of the Postmaster General.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC,
and
Instructions to all Postmasters.

Mails for the Falkland Islands.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
June, 1852.

MAILS for the FALKLAND ISLANDS will hereafter be made up at this Office, on the Morning of the 9th of every Month, for conveyance, by the Brazil Packet, to Monte Video, from whence they will be transmitted by a sailing Packet, provided under a Contract which has been entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Falkland Islands' Company.

Letters for the Falkland Islands will be liable to the usual Colonial Packet rate of One Shilling when not exceeding Half an Ounce in weight, Two Shillings when not exceeding an Ounce, and so on; and this Postage must be paid in advance, or the Letters cannot be forwarded.

Newspapers will be conveyed free from Charge.
Reduction of Postage on Letters to the Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, Vancouver’s Island, the Ionian Islands, and Natal.

On the 1st July next, and thenceforward, the uniform Sixpenny rate of Postage will be extended to Letters transmitted between the United Kingdom and the following British Colonies, viz.:

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For a Letter above half an ounce, and not exceeding one ounce, the Postage will be One Shilling.

When above one ounce, and not exceeding two ounces, Two Shillings, and so on, increasing One Shilling for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.

The Postage of Letters to the above-mentioned Colonies must, in all cases, be paid in advance.

By Command of the Postmaster-General,

ROWLAND HILL,

SECRETARY.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,

19th June, 1857.
RATE: Manuscript "6"; 6d. imperial rate (1858-79)
POSTMARKS: The Black Frank, FALKLAND PAID ISLANDS; JY.17.1871 (type F.1)
CARRIED BY: "Fairy", dep. 18/7; "John Elder", dep. Montevideo 28/7, arr. Liverpool 31/8
ARRIVAL MARKING: London Paid 1.SP.71
6d. for ½oz (1858-1879)

1878 SINGLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND
SENT ON THE FIRST DAY OF USE OF FALKLAND ISLAND STAMPS

RATE: 6d. imperial rate (1858-79)       STAMP: Great Britain QV 6d. grey (plate 15) 1876
POSTMARK: FALKLAND ISLANDS JY.2.1878 (type F.1)
CARRIED BY: "Black Hawk", dep. 2/7; L&H "Hevelius" from Montevideo, arr. Southampton 7/8
ARRIVAL MARKING: Southampton Ship Letter AU.7.78

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN example of the 6d. imperial rate paid with stamps. The first Falkland Islands stamps were used on this mail but no covers are known. Why this cover has a British stamp instead is not clear. It could be either a paquebot letter or somebody who happened to have a British 6d. stamp, which was accepted by the Falkland Islands Post Office.
RATE: 4d. imperial rate (1879-90)  
STAMPS: QV 1d. (x4) (1878 printing)

POSTMARKS: Steel obliterator "F.I." (type Ob.1/78); AP.4.1879 (type F.1)

CARRIED BY: "Black Hawk", dep. 4/4; "Illimani", from Montevideo to Liverpool, arr. 20/5

ARRIVAL MARKING: Bromsgrove MY.19.79

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN COVER WITH THE FIRST FALKLAND ISLANDS 1D. STAMP, sent on the first mail after the islands joined the UPU and the imperial rate was reduced to 4d. It is undoubtedly one of the most important Falkland Islands covers in existence! It also shows the earliest known usage of the "F.I." Steel Obliterator. One of the stamps is repaired.
4d. for ½oz (1879-1890)

1885 SINGLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: 4d. imperial rate (1879-90)

STAMP: QV 4d. (1882 printing)

POSTMARKS: Steel obliterator "F.I." (type Ob.1/78); AP.18.1885 (type F.1)

CARRIED BY: "Menes", dep. 18/4; "Aconcagua" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 23/5

ARRIVAL MARKING: Ashton Station Office MY.27.85
Government Office,

Stanley, 15 December 1890.

Falkland Islands.

No. 467

Sir,

With reference to a correspondence which has passed between the Governor of this Colony and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, I am desired by His Excellency to inform you that this Colony has agreed to the proposal to adopt the two-pence halfpenny rate of postage to Great Britain, India and

The Secretary
General Post Office
London.
the savings and the arrangement
will come into force on the 1st
of January 1891.

2. Pending receipt of 1½
and ½ oz labels which have
been requisitioned for the
12 oz stamp will be the
half of a penny stamp
cut diagonally.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

[Signature]

Ag. Plateau
2½d. for ½ oz (1891-1898)

1891 SINGLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND WITH A SURCHARGED BISECT SE-TENANT WITH UNSURCHARGED STAMPS

RATE: 2½d. imperial rate (1891-98)

STAMPS: QV 1d. strip of three, one bisected and surcharged "½d."
(April 1891 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob.1/90); AU.3.1891 (type F.2)

CARRIED BY: "Karnak", dep. 5/8; "Sorata" from Montevideo to Lisbon, arr. 10/9

ARRIVAL MARKING: London SP.14.91

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN complete cover with a surcharged bisect se-tenant with unsurcharged stamps.
2½d. for ½oz (1891-1898)

1894 SINGLE RATE COVER TO CYPRUS

RATE: 2½d. imperial rate (1891-98)

STAMP: 2½d.
(July 1894 printing)

POSTMARKS:
Cork obliterator
"Small Windmill"
(type Ob. 6/94);
SP.16.1894 (type F1)

CARRIED BY:
"Herodot", dep.
17/9, arr. London
18/10
5d. for 1 oz (1891-1898)

1891 DOUBLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND WITH FOUR UNSEVERED PAIRS AND TWO SURCHARGED BISECTS

RATE: 5d. (2x2½d.) double imperial rate (1891-98)

STAMPS: QV four unsevered surcharged pairs and two bisects surcharged "⅞d." (1887 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob.1/90); MR.28.1891 (type F.2)

CARRIED BY: "Isis", dep. 29/3, arr. London 4/5

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN cover with this combination and it is undoubtably the most important bisect cover.
5d. for 1oz (1891-1898)

1891 DOUBLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: 5d. (2x 2½d.) double imperial rate (1891-98); manuscript "2" to indicate double rate

STAMPS: QV 1d. (1887 printing), 4d. (1889 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob.1/90); FE.12.1891 (type F.2)

CARRIED BY: "Denderah", dep. 13/2, arr. London 21/3

ARRIVAL MARKING: Maidstone MR.31.1891

COMMENT: The cover was sent by a member of the crew of H.M.S. Beagle which had arrived in Stanley on 21 January 1891.
1d. for ½ oz (1898-1907)

1905 SINGLE RATE COVER TO LONDON

RATE: 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948)

STAMPS: QV ½d. (1902 printing), KEVII ½d. (1904 printing)

POSTMARK: SP.12.05 (type F.4C)

CARRIED BY: "Orita", dep. 13/9

ARRIVAL MARKING: London OC.9.05
2d. for 1oz (1898-1907)

1902 DOUBLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND WITH 1d. ENVELOPE CUT-OUTS

RATE: 2d. (2x1d.) double imperial rate (1898-1948)

STATIONERY: QV 1d.(x2) cut-outs from envelope (type E1)

POSTMARK: AP.6.02 (type F.4A)

CARRIED BY: "Lake Megantic", dep. 8/4

ARRIVAL MARKING: Chiswick MY.7.02

COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY TWO KNOWN covers from the Falkland Islands with postal stationery cut-outs.
1d. for 1oz (1907-1948)

1930 SINGLE RATE COVER FROM FOX BAY TO ENGLAND

Miss Nellie Baldwin
Kings Chase
High Street
Witham
Essex, England

RANGE: 1d. imperial rate
(1898-1948)

STAMP: Whale & Penguins 1d.
(1929 printing)

POSTMARK:
23 JY.30 (type FB.1)

CARRIED BY:
"Falkland", dep.
Stanley 12/8
2d. for 2oz (1907-1948)

1921 DOUBLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND

Arthur Newsome Esq
4 St. Peter's Place
Brighton
England.

RATE: 2d. (2x 1d.) double imperial rate (1898-1948)

STATIONERY / STAMP:
KGV 1d. envelope (type E3), 1d. (1916 printing)

POSTMARK: 16.AU.21
(type PS.1B)

CARRIED BY: "Oriana",
dep. 12/9
GREAT BRITAIN AND THE EMPIRE

REGISTERED LETTERS

The possibility to register mail from the Falkland Islands was established on 1 June 1862. Initially this service was only available to Great Britain and the registration fee was 6d. This was reduced to 4d. in 1866 and 2d. in 1879.

PRE-STAMP PERIOD:

1862 (1 June)  Fee 6d. (no examples known)
1866 (1 February)  Fee 4d.
Total rate 10d. for ½oz., two examples shown
Total rate 4/- to Tobago, one example shown

STAMP PERIOD (from 19 June 1878):

1878 (19 June)  Fee 4d. (no examples known)
1879 (1 April) UPU  Fee 2d.
Total rate 6d. for ½oz. (one example known) one example shown
1891 (1 January) Total rate 4½d. for ½oz., two examples shown
Total rate 7d. for 1oz., one example shown
1898 (25 December) Total rate 3d. for ½oz., one example shown
1907 (1 October) Total rate 3d. for 1oz., one example shown
Total rate 4d. for 2oz., two examples shown
1922 (1 January)  Fee 3d.
Total rate 4d. for 1oz., two examples shown
Total rate 5d. for 2oz., two examples shown
Total rate 6d. for 3oz., two examples shown
[1970 (1 July)  Fee 4d.]
REGISTRATION
OF
LETTERS AND PACKETS OF PRINTED PAPERS
FOR THE
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

On the 1st June next, and thence-forward, a Letter or a Packet of Printed Papers addressed to the Falkland Islands may be registered on the application of the person posting it, provided the postage, together with a registration fee of sixpence, be paid in advance.

By Command of the Postmaster-General.

ROWLAND HILL,

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
14th May 1862.

Secretary.
10d. for ½oz (6d. letter rate + 4d. registration fee, 1866-1879)

1873 REGISTERED BLACK FRANK COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: Manuscript "10d."; 6d. imperial rate (1858-79) + 4d. registration fee to the United Kingdom (1866-79)

POSTMARKS: The Black Frank, FALKLAND PAID ISLANDS; JA.3.1872 error for 1873 (type F.1)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; manuscript number "88"

CARRIED BY: "Black Hawk", dep. 3/1; "Boyne", dep. Montevideo 15/1, arr. Southampton 16/2

ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 17.FE.73; Bedford FE.17.73

COMMENT: This cover was carried by the new Falkland Islands Company mail schooner "Black Hawk" on her first voyage with mail to Montevideo.
10d. for ½ oz (6d. letter rate + 4d. registration fee, 1866-1879)

1878 REGISTERED RED FRANK COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: Manuscript "6" and "4"; 6d. imperial rate (1858-79) + 4d. registration fee to the United Kingdom (1866-79)

POSTMARKS: The Red Frank, FALKLAND PAID ISLANDS; JA.2.1878 (type F.1)

REGISTRATION MARKING: Crown REGISTERED, first type

CARRIED BY: "Sparrow Hawk", dep. 2/1; "Valparaíso", dep. Montevideo 15/1, arr. London 12/2

ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 12.FE.78; Wallingford FE.13.78

COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY 3 KNOWN registered Red Frank covers; all are addressed to England.
4/- for 1oz (1/- letter rate + 2/8 GPO rate + 4d. registration fee, 1866-1879)

1875 REGISTERED BLACK FRANK COVER TO TOBAGO, WEST INDIES

RATE: Manuscript "paid 4/-"; 1/- (2x6d.) double imperial rate (1858-79) + 2s.8d. (2x 1s.4d.) double G.P.O. rate from Great Britain to Tobago + 4d. registration fee to the United Kingdom (1866-79)

POSTMARKS: The Black Frank, FALKLAND PAID ISLANDS; AP.2.1875 (type F.1)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; manuscript number "19"

CARRIED BY: "Black Hawk", dep. 3/4; "Boyne", dep. Montevideo 16/4, arr. Southampton 18/5

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 18.MY.75; Tobago JY.3.1875; manuscript "2d" denoting Tobago’s share of the postage.

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN Registered Frank cover addressed outside England. The cover is repaired at the top.
6d. for ½oz (4d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1879-1890)

1889 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO LONDON

RATE: 6d.; 4d. imperial rate (1879-90) + 2d. registration fee to G.B. (1879-90)

STAMPS: QV 1d. pair (1887 printing), 4d. (1887 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "Large Football" (type Ob.1/89); OC. 18.1889 (type F.1)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; manuscript numbers "18" and "513"

CARRIED BY: "Pentaur", dep. 18/10; "Potosi" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 29/11

ARRIVAL MARKING: Registered London 2.DE.89

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN registered cover showing 4d. imperial rate + 2d. registration fee.
4½d. for ½oz (2½d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1891-1898)

1891 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO LONDON

RATE: 4½d.; 2½d. imperial rate (1891-98) + 2d. registration fee (1879-1921)

STAMPS: QV 4d. (1885 printing), "½d." on biseected 1d. (1887 printing) with INVERTED SURCHARGE

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob.1/90); AU.3.1891 (type F.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; manuscript "31"

CARRIED BY: "Karnak", dep. 5/8; "Sorata" from Montevideo to Lisbon, arr. 10/9

ARRIVAL MARKING: Registered London 14.SP91
4½d. for ½oz (2½d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1891-1898)

1893 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND

G. CAMPBELL, Esq.,

4, Windsor Crescent,

JERSEY,

Channel Islands.

RATE: 4½d.; 2½d. imperial rate (1891-98) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV "½d." on bisected 1d. (x7) (April 1891 printing), 1d. (October 1891 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "Pointed Nose F.I." (type Ob.1/93); JA.18.1893 (type F.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; encircled R

CARRIED BY: "Totnes", dep. 19/1, arr. London 24/2

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 24.FE.93; Jersey FE.26.93
7d. for 1oz (5d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1891-1898)

1892 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE O.H.M.S. COVER TO ENGLAND

On Her Majesty's Service.

T.D.F. Evans
20 Stagley Road

Birmingham

RATE: 7d.; 5d. (2x 2½d.) double imperial rate (1891-98) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV 1d. (April 1891 printing), 6d. (1878 printing)

POSTMARKS:
Steel obliterator "F.I." (type Ob.1/78); JA.16.1892 (type F.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type

CARRIED BY: "Herodot", dep. 16/1; "Hevelius" from Montevideo to Southampton, arr. 19/2

TRANSIT/ ARRIVAL MARKINGS:
Registered London 20.FE.92; Birmingham FE.20.92
3d. for ½oz (1d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1898-1907)

1899 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO INDIA

RATE: 3d.;
1d. imperial rate (1898-1948)+2d. registration fee (1891-1921)
STAMPS:
QV 1d. (1899 printing), 2d. (1895 printing)
POSTMARK:
Steel obliterator "F.L." (type Ob.1/78)
REGISTRATION MARKING: Crown REGISTERED,
first type
TRANSIT MARKING:
London 26.
DE.99
3d. for 1oz (1d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1907-1921)

1909 1d. DULL COPPERY RED (x3) ON REGISTERED COVER TO LONDON

RATE: 3d.; 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: KEVII 1d. dull coppery red (x3) (1907 printing)

POSTMARK: NO.1.09 (type F.4E)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 1

CARRIED BY: "Oropesa" dep. 2/11

ARRIVAL MARKING: Registered London 29.N0.09
1909 DOUBLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO CANADA

The Century Stamp Co.
P.O. Box 197
1692 Montreal
Canada

RATE: 4d.; 2d. (2x1d.) double imperial rate (1898-1948) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)
STAMPS: KEVII ½d. (x4) (1907 printing), 2d. (1904 printing)
ENVELOPE: Size H (type B.3)
POSTMARK: NO.27.09 (type F.4E)
REGISTRATION LABEL/MARKING: Label type 2; manuscript "1693" CARRIED BY: "Oravia", dep. 30/11
4d. for 2oz (2d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1907-1921)

1920 DOUBLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO ENGLAND WITH PRINTING ERROR "WAR STAM"

RATE: 4d.; 2d. (2x1d.)
double imperial rate
(1898-1948) + 2d. regi-
stration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: KGV 2d. (1919
printing), War Stamp 1d.
(4th printing), War Stamp
1d. (4th printing) with
variety "WAR STAM"

ENVELOPE: Size F
(type B.1a)

POSTMARK: 6.JY.20
(type F:6)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5A

CARRIED BY: "Franz
Wilke", dep.8/7

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Registered London
24.AU.20

COMMENT: The "WAR
STAM"-variety is very
rare. Only 8 copies are
believed to have been
printed!
4d. for 1oz (1d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1948)

1922 SINGLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO BRITISH GUYANA

RATE: 4d.; 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: KGV ½d.(x2) (1921 printing), 1d.(x3) (1920 printing)

ENVELOPE: Size F (type B.1b)

POSTMARK: 22.MR.22 (type PS.1A)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5

CARRIED BY: "Oriana", dep.31/3

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 1.MY.22; GPO B.G. 24.MY.22
4d. for 1oz (1d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1948)

1927 SINGLE RATE REGISTERED OHMS COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: 4d.; 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: QV 2d.(x2) (1923 printing)

POSTMARK: 8.JA.27 (type PS.1A)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 7

CARRIED BY: "Lobos" dep. 12/1

ARRIVAL MARKING: Registered Farnham Surrey 21.FE.27

COMMENT: "OHMS" in manuscript.
5d for 2oz (2d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1948)

1928 DOUBLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO SOUTH AFRICA

RATE: 5d.; 2d. (2x1d.) double imperial rate (1898-1948) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: KGV 2½d.(x2) (1928 printing)

POSTMARK: 5.OC.28 (type PS.1A)

ENVELOPE: Size G (type C9)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 6

TRANSMITTING MARKING: Registered London 17.NO.28
5d. for 2oz (2d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1948)

1932 "2" FOR "32" ON REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: 5d.; 2d. (2x1d.) double imperial rate (1898-1948) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: Whale & Penguins ½d.(x2) (1929 printing), 2d. (x2) (1929 printing)

POSTMARK: DE.27.2 (type FB.1 with "2" for "32")

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 7A
6d. for 3oz (3d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1948)

1933 TRIPLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO ANTIGUA

RATE: 6d.; 3d. (3x1d.) triple imperial rate (1898-1948) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 ½d., 1½d., 4d.

ENVELOPE: Size G (type D9)

POST MARK: 30.DE.33 (type PS.1B)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5D

ARRIVAL MARKINGS: St. John's Antigua FE.14.34, Bendals FE.17.34
6d. for 3oz (3d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1948)

1937 TRIPLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO INDIA

RATE: 6d.; 3d. (3x1d.) triple imperial rate (1898-1948) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMP: Whales & Penguins 6d. (1936 printing)

POSTMARK: 9.AU.37 (type PS.2C)

ENVELOPE: Size G (type F.1)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED first type; manuscript "335" and "10"
FOREIGN COUNTRIES

LETTERS

The foreign postal rates prior to April 1879 were the postal rates to Great Britain plus the GPO rate from Great Britain to the destination; many different rates were in force.

PRE-STAMP PERIOD:

1872 (?) 4d. per ½oz. to Montevideo (3K) one example shown
1877 (?) 1/1 per ½oz. to USA (one example known) one example shown

STAMP PERIOD (from 19 June 1878):

1878 (19 June) various rates (no examples known)
1879 (1 April) UPU 4d. per ½oz. (5K) one example shown
1891 (1 January) 4d. per ½oz. (rate unchanged) two examples shown
1898 (25 December) 2½d. per ½oz., one example shown
1907 (1 October) 2½d. for 1oz. (+ 1½d. per additional oz.) one example shown
1922 (1 January) 3d. for 1oz. (+ 1½d. per additional oz.) two examples shown
1926 (1 January) 2½d. for 1oz. (+ 1½d. per additional oz.) two examples shown
1940 (1 September) 3d. for 1oz. (+ 2d. per additional oz.)
4d. for $\frac{1}{2}$ oz (1872?)

1872 BLACK FRANK COVER TO URUGUAY

RATE: Manuscript "4"; 4d. rate to Uruguay; charged "10" centavos for delivery in Montevideo
POSTMARKS: The Black Frank, FALKLAND PAID ISLANDS; JA.2.1872 (type F.1)
CARRIED BY: "Foam", dep. 2/1, arr. Montevideo 13/1.
COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY 6 KNOWN Black Frank covers addressed outside Great Britain.
1/1 for ½oz (6d. to England + 7d. GPO rate)

1877 RED FRANK COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: Manuscript "1/1"; 6d. imperial rate (1858-79) + 7d. G.P.O. rate from Great Britain to the United States

POSTMARKS: The Red Frank, FALKLAND PAID ISLANDS; MY.15.1877 (type F.1)

CARRIED BY: "Black Hawk", dep. 16/5; "Sorata", dep. Montevideo 23/5, arr. Bordeaux 17/6


COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN RED FRANK COVER ADDRESSED OUTSIDE ENGLAND.
4d. for ½ oz (first period, 1879-1890)

1882 SINGLE RATE COVER TO CHILE

RATE: 4d. foreign rate (1879-98)  
STAMP: QV 4d. no wmk 1879

POSTMARK: F.I. steel obliterator (Ob.1/78); Mk.25.1882 (type F.1)  
CARRIED BY: "Uarda", dep. 25/3 for Punta Arenas and the West Coast, arr. Valparaiso 7/4

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Valparaiso 7.ABR.82; Santiago 8.ABR.82

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN cover with the first 4d. stamp used to a foreign country. The letter was sent by Bishop Sterling and is dated "Stanley 24/3/1882" and signed "Waite H Falkland Islands". The letter concerns the Bible Society of Santiago. The original stamp has been removed and has been replaced with another similar 4d. 1879.
8d. for 1oz (first period, 1879-1890)

1889 DOUBLE RATE COVER TO SWEDEN

RATE: 8d.(2x4d.) double foreign rate (1879-98)  STAMPS: QV 4d.(x2) (1887 printing)
POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "Small Pins" (type Ob.2/88); MY.22.1889 (type F.1)
CARRIED BY: "Karnak", dep. 24/5; "Heliades" from Montevideo to Liverpool, arr. 28/6
TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Liverpool Ship JU.28.89; Pkxp No.62 30.6.1889
4d. for ½ oz (second period, 1891-1898)

1891 SINGLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 4d. foreign rate (1879-98)

STAMPS: QV 1d.(x3) and two bisects (April 1891 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "Large Squares" (type Ob.1/91); OC.28.1891 (type F.2)

CARRIED BY: "Herodot", dep. 29/10; "Britannia" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 30/11

TRANSIT MARKING: London DE.3.91

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN cover with this combination.
4d. for ½ oz (second period, 1891-1898)

1892 SINGLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES WITH THE NEW STAMPS

Robt. M. Langzettel,  
NEW HAVEN, CONN.,  
P. O. Box 1125.  United States A.

RATE: 4d foreign rate (1879-98)

STAMPS: QV
½d. (November 1891 printing),
1d. (October 1891 printing), 2½d.
( November 1891 printing)

POSTMARKS:
Steel obliterator "F.I." (type Ob.
1/78); AP.11.1892 (type F.2)

CARRIED BY:
"Herodot", dep. 13/4

COMMENT:
THIS IS THE EARLIEST KNOWN cover bearing both of the new stamps.
1/- for 1½oz (second period, 1891-1898)

1896 TRIPLE RATE COVER TO SWEDEN

RATE: 1/- (3x4d.) triple foreign rate (1879-98)

STAMP: QV 1/- (1895 printing)

POSTMARK:
Steel obliterator "Fl." (type Ob. 1/78)

CARRIED BY:
"Abydos", dep. 31/10, arr. London 2/12

ARRIVAL MARKINGS:
Stockholm 4.12.1896; Utrikes Dept 4.DECE.96
1/4 for 2oz (second period, 1891-1898)

1898 QUADRUPLE RATE COVER TO SWEDEN

UTRIKES DEPT
4 FEB. 98

Consular Bureau
of the Foreign Office,
Stockholm.

RATE: 16d. (4½d.)
quaduiple foreign rate (1879-98)

STAMPS: QV 1/-
(1878 printing),
4d. (1895 printing)

POSTMARK:
DE.23.97 (type F1)

CARRIED BY:
"Ramses", dep.
24/12, arr. London
1/2

TRANSIT/ARRIVAL MARKINGS:
London FE.1.98;
Stockholm 3.2.98
2½d. for ½oz (1898-1907)

1899 SINGLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 2½d.
foreign rate
(1898-1921)

STAMP: QV
2½d. (1898
printing)

POSTMARK:
13.JY.9 9 (type
F.2 with year
abbreviated to
two figures)

CARRIED BY:
"Hathor", dep.
16/7

ARRIVAL
MARKING:
N.Y. 30.8.99
2½d. for ½oz (1898-1907)

1902 SINGLE RATE COVER TO SWITZERLAND

RATE: 2½d. foreign rate (1898-1921)

STATIONERY / STAMPS:
QV 1d. envelope (type E1),
½d. (1902 printing), 1d.
(1899 printing)

POSTMARK: MY.28.02
(type F.4A)

CARRIED BY: "Oropesa",
dep. 29/5

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Basel 25.VI.02
1909 THE MANUSCRIPT POSTMARK ON COVER FROM NEW ISLAND TO SWEDEN

Herr Karl Petersson
Röd Blomsholmen
Strömstad

Sweden

RATE: 2½d. foreign rate (1898-1921)  STAMP: KEVII 2½d. (1904 printing)
POSTMARK: "NEW IS 31.8.09" in manuscript (type N.1)
CARRIED BY: "Swona" from New Island to Stanley, arr. 1/9; "Orcoma", dep. 8/9
COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY THREE KNOWN covers or cards with this postmark.
2½d. for 1oz (1907-1921)

1918 SINGLE RATE COVER TO HOLLAND

RATE: 2½d. foreign rate (1898-1921)

STAMPS: KGV ½d. (x5) (1912 printing)

POSTMARK: NO.22.18 (type PS.1A)

CARRIED BY: "H.M.S. Newcastle", dep. 22/11

ARRIVAL MARKING: Rotterdam 2.1.19

COMMENT: The cover was sent by the Estate Louis Williams.
3d. for 1oz (1922-1925)

1922 NON-REGISTERED FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO THE USA

RATE: 3d. foreign rate (1922-25)

STAMPS: KGV ½d. (1921 printing), 2½d. (1921 printing)

ENVELOPE: Size F (type B.1b)

POSTMARK: 11.MR.22 (type PS.1A)

CARRIED BY: "Magellan", dep.17/3

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Posted out of Course; registration label Liverpool 147; stamped number "60712"

ARRIVAL MARKINGS: New York 24.4.1922

COMMENT: The cover was sent non-registered as intended and found among ordinary mail in Liverpool. There it was stamped "Posted out of Course" and a registration label was added and it continued as a registered item.
RATE: 3d. foreign rate (1922-25)  

STAMP: KGV 6d. bisected and used as 3d. (1919 printing)

POSTMARK: MR.30.23 (type SG.1)  

CARRIED BY: "Elvenes", dep. 30/3, bound for Buenos Aires

COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY TWO KNOWN examples of bisected 6d. stamps during this emergency, both postmarked on 30 March 1923.
The letter is headed "Leith Harbour, Good Friday 1923" and it was sent by a member of the whaling community there.
6d. for 3oz (1922-1925)

1925 TRIPLE RATE COVER TO NORWAY VIA STANLEY

RATE: 6d. (3d. + 1½d. + 1½d.)
triple foreign rate (1922-25)

STAMPS: KGV
1d. (x6) (1924 printing)

POSTMARK:
JA.30.25 (type SS.2)

TRANSIT MARKING:
Port Stanley
FE.16.25 (type PS.1B)
2½d. for 1oz (1926-1940)

1928 PROVISIONAL 2½D. ON WHALING COVER TO NORWAY

[Image of a letter with a stamp and postmark]

STAMP: 1928
"2½d" on 2d.
surcharge

POSTMARK:
7.FE.28  (type
SG.1)

CARRIED BY:
"Albuera", dep.
8/2 for Buenos
Aires

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Sandefjord 15.III.28

COMMENT: The
letter is headed
"Leith Harbour
7/2-28" and men-
tions that "the
whole island has
run short of
stamps but only a
few have been
printed over".
2½d. for 1oz (1926-1940)

1933 TAXED SINGLE RATE COVER TO ARGENTINA

RATE: 2½d. foreign rate (1926-40), fully paid but taxed by the Argentines

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 ¾d., 2d.

POSTMARK: 26.SP.33 (type PS.1A)

CARRIED BY: "Lafonia" dep. 28/9

TAX MARKING: A COBRAR $0.50 4.OCT.33 (postage due 50c.)

ARRIVAL MARKING: Clasificaciones Cargo 4.OCT.33
1937 DOUBLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 4d. (2½d. + 1½d.)
double foreign rate (1926-40)

STAMPS: Whale & Penguins ½d. (1929 printing), 1d. (1929 printing), 2½d.

POSTMARK: FE.17.37 (type PS.2C)

CARRIED BY: "Laforina"
dep. 28/2

ARRIVAL MARKING:
409 W.F.H.
FOREIGN COUNTRIES

REGISTERED LETTERS

The possibility to register mail from the Falkland Islands was established on 1 June 1862. Initially this service was only available to Great Britain and the registration fee was 6d. This was reduced to 4d. in 1866 and 2d. in 1879.

PRE-STAMP PERIOD:

pre June 1878  Fees variable (no examples known)

STAMP PERIOD (from 19 June 1878):

1878 (19 June)  Fees variable (one example known)
Total rate 12d. to Belgium (one example known) one example shown

1879 (1 April) UPU  Fee 4d. (two examples known)
Total rate 8d. for ½oz. (one example known)
Total rate 1/- for 1oz. (one example known) one example shown

1891 (1 January)  Fee 2d.
Total rate 6d. for ½oz., two examples shown
Total rate 10d. for 1oz., one example shown

1898 (25 December) Total rate 4½d. for ½oz., one example shown
Total rate 7d. for 1oz., two examples shown

1907 (1 October)  Total rate 4½d. for 1oz., one example shown
Total rate 6d. for 2oz., two examples shown
Total rate 7½d. for 3oz., one example shown

1922 (1 January)  Fee 3d.
Total rate 6d. for 1oz., one example shown
Total rate 7½d. for 2oz., one example shown

1926 (1 January) Total rate 5½d. for 1oz., two examples shown
Total rate 7d. for 2oz., one example shown
1/- for ½oz (8d. letter rate + 4d. registration fee, 1878-1879)

1878 REGISTERED COVER TO BELGIUM -
THE EARLIEST KNOWN COVER WITH FALKLAND ISLANDS STAMPS

M. J. P. Moens
42 Rue de Florence
Brussels
Belgium

RATE: 12d.; 8d. rate to Belgium and France + 4d. registration fee
POSTMARK: Cork obliterator "Early 4x2" (type Ob.2/78)
REGISTRATION MARKING: Crown REGISTERED, first type
CARRIED BY: "Black Hawk", dep. 15/11; "Teniers", from Montevideo to Southampton, arr. 22/12
TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 23.DE.78; Angleterre 24.DE.78; Bruxelles 24.DE.1878
COMMENT: THIS IS THE EARLIEST KNOWN COVER WITH FALKLAND ISLANDS STAMPS, sent just a few months after the issue of the first stamps! It is also the earliest known use of a cork obliterator, the only known pre-UPU cover bearing stamps (the islands joined the UPU in 1879) and the only known commercial usage of the first 6d. stamp within the correct period of its issue!

STAMPS: QV 6d. pair (1878 printing)
1/- for 1 oz (8d. letter rate + 4d. registration fee, 1879-1890)

1890 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO GERMANY

RATE: 12d.; 8d. (2x 4d.) double foreign rate (1879-98) + 4d. foreign registration fee (1879-90)

STAMPS: QV 1d. (x2) (1887 printing); 4d. (1887 printing); 6d. (1878 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob. 1/90); AU.22.1890 (type F.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED

CARRIED BY: "Neko", dep. 23/8; "Sorata" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 5/10
6d. for ½oz (4d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1891-1898)

1891 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE O.H.M.S. COVER TO GERMANY

On Her Majesty's Service.

Carl Born
Leipzig
Berliner Str.
Germany

RATE: 6d.; 4d. foreign rate (1879-98) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)
STAMP: QV 6d. (1878 printing)
POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob.1/90); AU.3.1891 (type F.2)
REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; manuscript "416"
6d. for ½oz (4d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1891-1898)

1895 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 6d.; 4d. foreign rate (1879-98) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV 1d. (x6) (July 1894 printing)

POSTMARK: JU.20. 1895 (type F.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Stamped number "12262"

CARRIED BY: "Herodot", dep. 23/6; "Britannia" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 24/7

TRANSIT/ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 27.JY.95; Baltimore AUG.4.1895
10d. for 1oz (8d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1891-1898)

1895 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 10d.; 8d. (2x4d.) double foreign rate (1879-98) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV ½d.(x8) (1894 printing), 6d. (1891 printing)

POSTMARK: NO.15.1895 (type F.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; stamped number "77326"

CARRIED BY: "Abydos", dep. 30/11, arr. London 2/1

TRANSIT/ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 2.JA.96; Camden JAN.14.96
4½d. for ½oz (2½d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1898-1907)

1900 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO ARGENTINA

Hugo Schlottfeldt, Port Stanley.

Registered

Sr. Nic Castagnino
Calle Cochabamba 884
Buenos Aires
Argentina

RATE: 4½d.;
2½d. foreign rate (1898-1921) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV
½d. (1899 printing), 4d. (1895 printing)

POSTMARK:
JU.25.00 (type F.4B)

REGISTRATION MARKING:
Crown REGISTERED, first type

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Buenos Aires 5.8.1900
7d. for 1oz (5d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1898-1907)

1900 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE O.H.M.S. COVER TO THE USA

On Her Maj

Fitz-Smich

98 New St.

Boston Mass.

U.S.A.

RATE: 7d.; 5d. (2x 2½d.)
double foreign rate (1898-1907) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV ½d. (1899 printing), 2½d. (1898 printing), 4d. (1895 printing)

POSTMARK: 4.MJ.1900C
(type F.1 with variety "19" "OC" for 1900)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGISTERED, first type; manuscript "6"; stamped number "355"

CARRIED BY: "Neko", dep. 4/5; "Iberia" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 17/6

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL
MARKINGS: Registered London 20.JU.00; Boston JUL.1.1900
RATE: 7d.; 5d. (2x 2½d.)
double foreign rate (1898-
1907) + 2d. registration
fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: QV 2½d.(x2)
(1901 printing), KEVII
2d. (1904 printing)

ENVELOPE: Size F (type B.1a)

POSTMARK: JU.14.05
(type F.4A)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Crown REGIS-
TERED, first type; ma-
nuscript "4998" and "412"

CARRIED BY: "Victoria"
dep. 23/6

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL
MARKINGS: Registered
London 19.JY.05;
Schöneberg 21.7.05
4½d. for 1oz (2½d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1907-1921)

1921 PROVISIONAL NEW ISLAND REGISTRATION LABEL ON COVER TO FRANCE

RATE: 4½d.; 2½d. foreign rate (1898-1921) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: War Stamps ½d. (x9) (4th overprinting)

POSTMARK: MR. 1.21 (type SG.1)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type N1

TRANSIT MARKING: Registered London 13.AP.21
6d. for 2oz (4d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1907-1921)

1910 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO AUSTRIA

RATE: 6d.; 4d. (2½d. + 1½d.) double foreign rate (1907-21) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STATIONERY / STAMPS:
QV 1d. envelope (type E1), KEVII ½d.(x2) (1904 printing), 1d.(x2) (1904 printing), 2d. (1904 printing)

POSTMARK: OC.1.10 (type F.4E)

REGISTRATION LABEL:
Type 2

CARRIED BY: "Oropesa", dep. 4/10

TRANSIT MARKING:
Registered London 29.OC.10
6d. for 2oz (4d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1907-1921)

1913 DOUBLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO GERMANY WITH 2D. REDDISH PURPLE

RATE: 6d.: 4d. (2½d. + 1½d.) double foreign rate (1907-21) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)  
STAMPS: KEVII 2d. REDDISH PURPLE (x3) (1911 printing)  
ENVELOPE: Size H (type B.3)  
POSTMARK: DE.20.13 (type PS.1A)  
REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 4  
CARRIED BY: "Orcoma", dep. 23/12  
ARRIVAL MARKING: Ulm 16.JAN.14  
COMMENT: A RARE STAMP ON COVER
7½d. for 3oz (5½d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1907-1921)

1912 REGISTERED TRIPLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 7½d.; 5½d. (2½d. + 2x 1½d.) triple foreign rate (1907-21)+2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: KGV ½d. (1912 printing), 1d. (1912 printing), 6d. (1912 printing)

POSTMARK: DE.16.12 (type F.4E)

REGISTRATION LABEL / MARKINGS: Label type 5; stamped REGISTERED and "5845"

CARRIED BY: "Victoria", dep.25/12

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 23.1A.13; New York 2.2.1913
6d. for 1oz (3d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1925)

1922 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 6d.; 3d. foreign rate (1922-25) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMP: KGV 6d. (1919 printing)

POSTMARK: 9JA22 (type PS.1B)

REGISTRATION LABEL/MARKING:
Label type 5;
stamped REGISTERED and number "210313"

CARRIED BY: "Orita", dep.18/1

ARRIVAL MARKING: Boston MAR.20.1922
7½d. for 2oz (4½d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1925)

1924 DOUBLE RATE FORMULA REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO BELGIUM

RATE: 7½d.; 4½d. (3d. + 1½d.) double foreign rate (1922-25) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)
STAMPS: KGV ½d. (1921 printing), 1d. (1920 printing), 6d. (1919 printing)  
ENVELOPE: Size H (type C.7)  
POSTMARK: MR.5.24 (type PS.1B)  
REGISTRATION LABEL: Type SC  
TRANSIT MARKING: London 15. AP.24
5½d. for 1oz (2½d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1926-40)

1927 REGISTERED SINGLE RATE COVER TO FINLAND

RATE: 5½d.; 2½d. foreign rate (1926-40) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: KGV ½d. (1924 printing), 2½d. (x2) (1923 printing)

POSTMARK: 24.FE.27 (type PS.1)

REGISTRATION LABEL/MARKING: Label type 7; manuscript "3895"

CARRIED BY "Lautaro", dep. 10/3

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 12.AP.27; Kuopio 16.IV.27
5½d. for 1oz (2½d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1926-40)

1936 REGISTERED WITH RETURN RECEIPT SINGLE RATE COVER TO ARGENTINA

From ESTATE LOUIS WILLIAMS—PORT STANLEY

CERTIFICADA con AVISO DE RETORNO

REGISTERED with RETURN RECEIPT.

Señor Director General de CORREOS y TELEGRAFOS de la NACION
Correo Central
BUENOS AIRES
Republica Argentina.

RATE: 5 1/2d.; 2 1/2d. foreign rate (1926-40) + 3d. registration fee including return receipt fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 3d., Silver Jubilee 1935 2 1/2d.

POSTMARKS: 13 JY 36 (type PS.2A); typed "REGISTERED with RETURN RECEIPT" and "CERTIFICADA con AVISO DE RETORNO"

REGISTRATION LABEL/MARKING: Label type; Certificados Central 58

ARRIVAL MARKING: Buenos Aires 24 JUL 36
7d. for 2oz (4d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1926-40)

1933 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO ITALY

RATE: 7d.; 4d. (2½d. + 1½d.)
double foreign rate (1926-40) + 3d.
registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 1d., 2d.,
4d.

POSTMARK: 20.
AP.33 (type PS.1B)

REGISTRATION LABEL / MARKINGS: Label type
6B; stamped Registered; manuscript
"1521"

CARRIED BY:
"Lafonia", dep. 25/4
POST CARDS

Although there was no official postcard rate until 1885, postcards were printed in 1883 and are known to have been used in 1884. The postage for postcards was not to exceed half the single letter rate and since the letter rate was 4d, the postcard rate was set to 1½d.

To comply with UPU regulations, reply postcards were also produced. They were printed and issued during the second half of 1885. As in most countries, reply postcards were never greatly used in the Falkland Islands and correctly used replies of the first postcards are not known to exist.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE EMPIRE

1884 (18 March)  1½d., two examples shown
1892 (1 January)  1d., two examples shown
[1966 (14 February)]  1½d.]

FOREIGN COUNTRIES

1884 (18 March)  1½d., two examples shown
1898 (25 December)  1d., two examples shown
1922 (1 January)  1½d., two examples shown
[1940 (1 September)]  2d.]

REGISTERED POST CARDS

It was, of course, possible to register a post card as well as any other form of mail, but this was done minimally in the Falkland Islands and very few examples are recorded except some philatelic examples.

1891 (1 January)  Fee 2d.
Total rate 3d., two examples shown
1½d. (1884-1891)

1884 1½d. POSTCARD USED ON THE FIRST DAY TO ENGLAND

UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE
FALKLAND ISLANDS (ILES FALKLAND)
POST CARD
THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.

1½d. Postcard rate (1884-91)

STATIONERY: QV
1½d. postcard (type P1)

POSTMARK: "FB"
obliterator of the
Foreign Branch struck
at the GB Post Office
upon arrival in England

CARRIED BY: "Tbis",
dep. 18/3, arr. Dart-
mouth 27/4

TRANSIT MARKING:
Rugby AP.28.84

COMMENT: The card
is dated "Stanley 15
March 1884" and was
sent by a crew member
on board HMS Am-
thyst. The first post-
cards had arrived on 15
February and this was
the first mail out after
the arrival.
1½d. (1884-1891)

1885 1½d. POSTCARD TO ENGLAND

RATE: 1½d. imperial postcard rate (1884-91)

STATIONERY: QV 1½d. postcard (type P1)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Cork F.I." (type Ob.1/85); JA.6.1885 (type F.1)

CARRIED BY: "Theben", dep. 6/1; "Aconcagua" from Montevideo to Lisbon, arr. 4/2

COMMENT: THIS IS THE SECOND EARLIEST KNOWN used example of Falkland Islands postal stationery.
RATE: 1d. imperial postcard rate (1892-1966)

STATIONERY: QV 1d. postcard (type P3)

POSTMARK: NO.25. 1899 (type WF.2)

CARRIED BY: "Chance" from Fox Bay to Stanley, arr. 4/12; "Modestia", dep. 12/12, arr. Tilbury Dock 17/1 1900

COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY FOUR KNOWN covers or cards with this postmark.
1d. (1892-1966)

1930 BISECTED 2D. STAMP USED AS 1D. ON POSTCARD TO MALTA

RATE: 1d. imperial postcard rate (1892-1966)

STAMP: Whale & Penguins 2d. bisected and used as 1d.

POSTMARK: 10.OC.30 (type SG.1)

TRANSIT MARKING:
Blackawton Devon
11.NO.30

COMMENT: The card is headed "King Edward Point 9th Oct 1930". THERE ARE ONLY TWO KNOWN examples of this bisept.
1½d. (1884-1898)

1886 1½d. REPLY POSTCARD TO GERMANY

RATE: 1½d. foreign postcard rate (1884-98)

STATIONERY: QV 1½d. reply postcard (type P2)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "6x4" (type Ob.1/86); NO.30.1886 (type F.1)

CARRIED BY: "Ibis", dep. 30/11; "Britannia" from Montevideo to Lisbon, arr. 7/1/87

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: London JA.12.87; Hamburg Borgfelde 13.1.87
1½d. (1884-1898)

1890 1½d. POSTCARD TO GERMANY VIA PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE

RATE: 1½d. foreign postcard rate (1884-98)

STATIONERY: QV 1½d. postcard (type P.1)

POSTMARK: PUNTA ARENAS 6.MAR.90

CARRIED BY: "Osiris" dep. 22/2; "Potosi" from Punta Arenas, dep. 26/3, arr. Lisbon 26/3

ARRIVAL MARKING: Bestellt vom Postamt 35 14/4.90

COMMENT: The card is headed "Falkland Island 20.2.90" and was written by a passenger on board the "Osiris".
1d. (1898-1921)

1899 PICTURE POSTCARD TO GERMANY

Union Postale Universelle
POST CARD

Mr.

John A. Leber
Berlin W.
Mammensee 34

Germany

RATE: 1d. foreign postcard rate (1898-1921)

STAMPS: QV ½d. (x2)
(1899 printing)

POSTMARK: NO.16.
1899 (type F.3)

CARRIED BY: "Neko" dep. 19/11; "Liguria" from Punta Arenas to Lisbon, arr. 21/12

ARRIVAL MARKING: Bestellt vom Postamt 62 27.12.99

COMMENT: THIS IS THE EARLIEST KNOWN picture postcard sent from the Falkland Islands.
1d. (1898-1921)

1902 POSTCARD TO SWEDEN SENT BY CARL SKOTTBERG

RATE: 1d. foreign postcard rate (1898-1921)

STAMP: QV 1d. (1899 printing)

POSTMARK: AP.7.02
(type F.4A)

CARRIED BY: "Lake Megantic", dep. 8/4

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Stockholm 9.5.02

COMMENT: The postcard, which also bears the expedition cachet "S.Y. ANTARCTIC SWEDISH EXPEDITION", was sent by Carl Skottsberg to his sister.
1½d. (1922-1940)

1925 1d. LETTER CARD TO HAWAII

![Letter Card Image]

RATE: 1½d. foreign postcard rate (1922-40)

STATIONERY/STAMP: KGV 1d. letter card (type L1), ½d. (1921 printing)

POSTMARK: MY.5.25 (type PS.1A)

COMMENT: A very rare postal stationery item.
RATE: 1½d. foreign postcard rate (1922–40), fully paid but taxed by the Argentines

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 ½d., 1d.

POSTMARK: 3.6E.33 (type PS.1)

CARRIED BY: "Lafonia" dep. 3/3

TAX MARKINGS: "T"; A COBRAR $0.58 20. MAR (postage due 58c.)

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Buenos Aires 16.MAR.33; Rosario 20.MAR.33
3d. (1d. postcard rate + 2d. registration fee, 1892-1921)

1893 REGISTERED 1D. REPLY POSTCARD TO GERMANY

RATE: 3½d.; 1½d. foreign postcard rate (1884-98) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921) but untaxed

STATIONERY/STAMPS:
QV 1d. reply postcard (type P4), QV ½d. (x2) (November 1891 printing), 1d. (1892 printing)

POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Small F.I." (type Ob.3/93); SP.11.1893 (type F.1)

REGISTRATION MARKING: Crown REGISTERED, first type

CARRIED BY: "Menes", dep. 13/9, arr. London 20/10

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 20.OCT.93; Stendal 21.10.93
3d. (1d. postcard rate + 2d. registration fee, 1892-1921)

1912 REGISTERED POSTCARD TO RUSSIA

RATE: 3d.; 1d. foreign postcard rate (1898-1921) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: KGV 1d.(x3)
(1912 printing)

POSTMARK:
NO.25.12 (type F.4C) in brown

REGISTRATION LABEL / MARKINGS:
Label type 3; manuscript "91"

CARRIED BY: "Oropesa", dep. 27/11

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL MARKINGS: Registered London 23.DE.12;
Riga 13.12.12 (Julian)

COMMENT: The card was sent by a Russian doctor who had been on board the S.S. "Oravia" when she was wrecked off Stanley on 12/11.
PRINTED MATTERS

The 1d. printed matter rate, introduced for books and printed papers at 1d. each in 1856 and modified to 1d. per 4 ounces in 1858, remained in force up to 1898 when it was altered to ½d. per 2 ounces. From 1879 the printed matter rate to foreign countries became the same as to Great Britain and the Empire, a fact which wasn't altered until 1953. Printed matters from the Falklands are rare.

WORLDWIDE

1858 (25 June)  1d. per 4 oz., two examples shown
               ½d. newspaper rate (?), one example shown

1898 (25 December)  ½d. per 2oz., two examples shown
                    1d. for 4oz., one example shown

[1953 / 1966]  2d. for 2oz. (foreign) / 1½d. per 2oz. (GB+Empire)]

REGISTERED PRINTED MATTERS

It was, of course, possible to register printed matters as well as any other form of mail, but this was done minimally in the Falkland Islands and very few examples are recorded.

1898 (25 December)  Fee 2d.
                   Total rate 3d. for 4oz., one example shown

1922 (1 January)    Fee 3d.
                   Total rate 3½d. for 2oz., one example shown
BOOKS, &c.,
FOR THE
Falkland Islands, Gambia, Labuan, AND
Vancouver's Island.

On the 1st July next, and thenceforward, the provisions of the Colonial Book Post will be extended to Books transmitted between the United Kingdom and the following British Colonies, viz.:

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Upon Book Packets addressed to these Colonies, the rates will be as follows—

- For a Packet not exceeding ½ lb. in weight . . 0 6
- "      above ½ lb. and not exceeding 1 lb. . 1 0
- "      "      1 lb.         2 0

and so on, increasing One Shilling for every additional pound or fraction of a pound.

The Postage must, in all cases, be paid in advance by means of Postage Stamps.

By Command of the Postmaster-General,

ROWLAND HILL,
Secretary.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
19th June, 1857.
Id. for 4oz (1858-1898)

1891 PRINTED PAPER WRAPPER TO LONDON

RATE: Id. printed paper rate (1858-98)  STAMPS: QV bisected Id. (x2) (1887 printing)
POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "First Bisect" (type Ob.1/90); JY.11.1891 (type F.2)
CARRIED BY: "Herodot", dep. 12/7  ARRIVAL MARKING: London AU.11.91
COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY TWO KNOWN wrappers with bisects.
1d. for 4oz (1858-1898)

1895 PRINTED PAPER WRAPPER TO THE ISLE OF WIGHT, ENGLAND

RATE: 1d. printed paper rate (1858-98)  
POSTMARK: DE.11.1895 (type F.1)  
CARRIED BY: "H.M.S. Barracouta", dep. 11/12

STAMP: QV 1d. (July 1894 printing)
½d. newspaper rate? (1891-1898?)

1893 PRINTED PAPER WRAPPER TO ENGLAND

RATE: 1d. printed paper rate (1858-98), but untaxed
POSTMARKS: Cork obliterator "Pointed Nose F.I." (type Ob. 1/93), MR. 12. 1893 (type F.2)
CARRIED BY: "Tanis" dep. 13/3, arr. London 13/4
COMMENT: Although the rate for a printed paper was 1d. per 4oz, ½d. was accepted for this item without being taxed. It is possible that it weighed considerably less than 2oz and that the Postal Clerk thought that ½d. was enough. The rate was subsequently reduced to ½d. per 2oz in 1898.

STAMP: QV ½d. (1892 printing)
1932 OHMS PRINTED MATTER TO USA

ON HIS MAJESTY’S SERVICE.

RATE: ½d. foreign printed matter rate (1898-1953)

STAMP: Whale & Penguins ½d. (1929 printing)

POSTMARK: FE.14.32 (PS.1A with inverted “2”)

CARRIED BY: "Lafonia", dep. 17/2

COMMENT: THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN example of the “32 with inverted 2” on cover.
½d. for 2oz (1898-1953)

1936 PRINTED MATTER TO SWITZERLAND

Mr. Ad. Zulauf, Sped.
Schinznach-Dorf.
Switzerland.

RATE: ½d. foreign printed matter rate (1898-1953)

STAMP: Whale & Penguins ½d. (1929 printing)

POSTMARKS: 22.MY.36 (type PS.2A); Printed matter

CARRIED BY: "Lafonia", dep. 23/5

ARRIVAL MARKING: Schinznach Dorf 19.VI.36
1d. for 4oz (1898-1953)

1912 “Paid At SOUTH GEORGIA,” ON PRINTED MATTER TO ARGENTINA

RATE: 1d. (2x½d.) double foreign printed matter rate (1898-1953)

POSTMARKS: FE.14.12 (type SG.1): "Paid At SOUTH GEORGIA." (type SG.IMP.3) with capital "A" of "At"; manuscript "1d." and "J.I.W."

ARRIVAL MARKING: Buenos Aires FEB.26 1912
3d. for 4oz (1d. printed matter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1898-1921)

1913 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE PRINTED MATTER TO AUSTRIA

Printed matter.
Registered

J. Müller

17 Rostergasse

Wien

Austria.

Falkland Island
No. 50

RATE: 3d.; 1d. (2x ½d.)
double foreign printed matter rate (1898-1953) +
2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STATIONERY / STAMP:
KGV 1d. envelope (type E2a), 2d. (1912 printing)

POSTMARK:   AU.3.13
(type F.4E)

REGISTRATION LABEL:
Type 3

CARRIED BY: "Oronsa",
dep. 6/8

TRANSIT / ARRIVAL
MARKINGS: Registered
London 27.SP.13; Wien
29.IX.13
3½d. for 2oz (½d. printed matter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1953)

1930 MANUSCRIPT REGISTERED MARKING ON PRINTED MATTER TO THE USA

RATE: 3½d.; ½d. foreign printed matter rate (1898-1953) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: Whale & Penguins ½d. (1929 printing), 1d. (1929 printing), 2d.

POSTMARK: 9.AP.30 (type SG.2)

REGISTRATION MARKINGS: Provisional manuscript in red "S.G.R 156"; stamped "Registered" and number "67751"

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Portland MAY.26.1930
AIR MAIL

The First Air Mail in the Falkland Islands was carried by catapulted aircraft from H.M.S. Exeter in 1934. This naval vessel was in Falkland waters from 18 November 1934 to 2 January 1935. Centenary stamps from 1933 were overprinted "AIR MAIL" in violet and used on the mail.

Regular internal airmail service was introduced in 1948 while external airmail was carried to the South American continent by sea for onward transmission by air.

Regular external airmail service was not introduced until 1971.

RATES TO OR FROM THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

The air mail fees were normally based on the rates between GB and South America (Uruguay or Argentina) and had to be added to the normal letter rates. It was normally very expensive to send letters by air mail during this period but it could save considerable transit time.

1931-42
4/- air mail fee, two examples shown
1/- printed matter fee, one example shown

1934
2d. inland airmail rate, one example shown

RATES IN OTHER COUNTRIES

It was also possible to prepay for airmail in either the country of departure (for mail to the Falklands) or in the country of destination (for mail from the Falklands). In most cases these examples are produced by philatelists but commercial examples exist. In any case, stamps from the country where the cover was to be carried by airmail, had to be used.

USA
1930, Air mail rate 5 cents, one example shown
1933, Air mail rate 8 cents, one example shown

Chile
1935, Air mail rate 19.30 Pesos, one example shown

Argentina
1936, external Air mail rate 6.25 Pesos, one example shown
1937, internal Air mail rate 10 centavos, one example shown
**4/2½d. for ½oz (4/- Airmail fee +2½d. letter rate, 1931-1942)**

1934 AIR MAIL COVER FROM ENGLAND TO THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

RATE: 4s. 2½d.; 2½d. foreign rate + 4/- air mail rate from England to Montevideo, Uruguay

STAMPS: Great Britain KGV 1924 1d., ½d., 1/- (x4)

POSTMARK: BINGLEY YORKS. 23.NO.34

TRANSIT MARKINGS: Paris 24.XI.1934; Servicio Aeropostal Europa / America del Sud AIR FRANCE Correspondencia Trasportada Totalmente Por Avion; Montevideo NOV.26.34

CARRIED BY: "Lafonia" from Montevideo to Stanley, arr. 8/12

ARRIVAL MARKING: 8.DE.34 (type PS.1)

COMMENT: The cover is addressed to a member of the British Grahamland Expedition. THERE ARE ONLY FOUR KNOWN items in connection with this expedition.
4/3 for ½oz (4/- Airmail rate +3d. registration fee, 1931-1942)

1933 REGISTERED AIRMAIL COVER FROM SWANSEA TO STANLEY

RATE: 4s.3d.; 4s. Airmail rate (1931-42) + 3d. registration fee

STAMPS: Great Britain KGV 1918 2s6d. + 1924-26 ½d. + 2½d. + 3d. + 5d. + 10d.

POSTMARK: SWANSEA 24.AU.33

CARRIED BY: From London by plane to Marseille, by plane to Montevideo, by "Lafonia" to Stanley, arr. 13/9

TRANSIT MARKINGS: Marseille Gare Avion 26.8.33, Montevideo 4.IX.33

COMMENT: If the letter would have been sent by seafail it would have arrived on 12/10.
1/- for ½oz (printed matter rate, 1931-1942)

1933 ZEPPELIN COVER FROM ENGLAND TO STANLEY VIA BRAZIL.

RATE: 1/- printed matter airmail rate (1931-42)

STAMPS: Great Britain KGV 3d.(x4) 1924-26

POSTMARK: LONDON WC 13.OCT.1933

CARRIED BY: From London by plane to Berlin, by special plane to Friedrichshaven, by Zeppelin to Rio de Janeiro, by ship to Montevideo, by "Lafoenia" to Stanley, arr. 29/11.

2d. for ½oz (1934)

1934 CATAPULTED AIR MAIL COVER TO PORT HOWARD, WEST FALKLAND

STAMP: Centenary 1933 2d. overprinted "AIR MAIL" in violet

POSTMARKS: 30.NO.34 (type PS.1A); manuscript "by 3rd Air Mail in the Falkland Islands"

COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY THREE KNOWN covers and one piece with stamps overprinted "AIR MAIL", all postmarked on the same day.
USA 5 cents Airmail fee

1930 Airmail Cover to the USA

After five days return to

Los Angeles, California

A. Joel
5732 Lexington Ave
Hollywood
California

Rate: 2½d.
Foreign rate (1926-40) +
5c. internal US
Airmail rate

Stamps: W&P
2½d., USA 5c.
Airmail 1928

Postmark:
South Shetlands A DE
16.30 (type SS2)

Transit marking:
New York
Feb. 25. 1931

Comment:
The cover was sent by sea-
mail to New York and by Air-
mail between New York and
California.
USA 8 cents Airmail fee

1933 AIR MAIL REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO THE UNITED STATES

RATE: 7d.; 4d. (2½d. + 1½d.)
double foreign rate (1926-40) +
3d. registration fee (1922-70)
and 8 cents airmail rate from
New York to San Francisco

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 1d.,
6d., USA Air
mail 1932 8 cents

POSTMARKS:
4NO.33 (type
SG.I): NEW
YORK 2.1.1934

REGISTRATION
LABEL: Type 5A

TRANSIT/AR-
RIVAL MAR-
KINGS: New
York 2.1.1934;
San Francisco
JAN.4.1934
Chile 19.30 Pesos Airmail fee

1935 REGISTERED AIRMAIL COVER FROM CHILE TO STANLEY

 RATE: 21.80 Pesos; 19.30 P. airmail rate + 2.50 P. registration fee
 STAMPS: Chile 25c. (x2) 1928; 2P. 1934, Airmail 1928-32 30c., 2P. (x2), 5P. 1934 10P.
 POSTMARK: CORREO AEREO MAGAL-LANES 10 JUN 1935

REGISTRATION MARKING: Manuscript "R2500"
TRANSIT MARKING: Montevideo 15.VI.35
COMMENT: The cover was carried by air-mail to Montevideo and then by steamail.
Argentina 6.25 Pesos external Airmail fee

1936 REGISTERED COVER TO ARGENTINA RE-DIRECTED TO ENGLAND BY AIRMAIL

RATE: 5½d; 2½d. foreign rate (1926-40) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70) and 6 Pesos 25cts airmail rate from Argentina to England. In Argentina "Por Avion" and "Via Condor" was added.

STAMPS: Centenary 1933 ½d., 1d., 3d., Silver Jubilee 1935 1d., ARGENTINA 1936 25c, IP(x6)

POSTMARKS:
16.AU.36 (type SG.2); BUENOS AIRES 2.DIC.36

REGISTRATION LABEL / MARKINGS:
Label type SG5; Certificate Central; manuscript "485"

ARRIVAL MARKING:
Didsbury 8.DE.36
Argentina 10 centavos internal Airmail fee

1937 REGISTERED AIRMAIL COVER FROM ARGENTINA TO STANLEY

RATE: 55c.; 20c. (2x10c.)
double foreign rate + 10c.
internal Airmail fee +
25c. registration fee

STAMPS: Argentina 5c.
1935 + 50c. 1936

POSTMARK: RIO
GALLEGOS 24.MAR.37

REGISTRATION LABEL / MARKING: Label
R. ARGENTINA, marking CERTIFICADOS CENTRAL 54

TRANSIT MARKINGS:
Buenos Aires 2.ABR.37

COMMENT: The cover is marked "Via aerea" and
"via Montevideo" and was carried by Airmail
between Rio Gallegos and
Buenos Aires and then by
seamail.
INLAND MAIL

Inter-insular mail service was not introduced until June 1891 and the letter rate was 1d. per ounce up until 1966, except for a few years in the 1890's. A printed matter rate was also introduced in 1891 and this was ½d. per 2 ounces most of the time until 1966. A specific post card rate was not introduced until 1922 so one has to assume that the GB & Empire rate was used earlier. Mail to the Dependencies (South Georgia and the South Shetlands) was also considered to be inland, and these rates were charged for mail between the Falklands and the Dependencies.

LETTERS

1898 (25 December)  1d. per oz., two examples shown
                  3d. for 3 oz., one example shown
[1966 (14 February)  2d. per oz.]

REGISTERED LETTERS

1898 (25 December)  Fee 2d.
                  Total rate 3d. for 1oz., one example shown
1922 (1 January)    Fee 3d.
                  Total rate 4d. for 1oz., two examples shown
                  Total rate 5d. for 2oz., two examples shown

POST CARDS

1892 (1 January)    1d., two examples shown
[1966 (14 February) 1½d.]
1d. for 1oz (1898-1966)

1899 SINGLE RATE LOCAL COVER TO STANLEY

RATE: 1d. inland rate (1898-1966)

STAMPS: QV ½d.(x2) (1894 printing)

POSTMARK: JU.1.99 (type F.2)

COMMENT: The cover has a manuscript note "Left till called for". There has never been any mail deliveries in Stanley; people have always had to collect their mail at the Post Office.
1d. for 1oz (1898-1966)

1926 H.M.C.S. AFTERGLOW COVER TO ROY COVE, WEST FALKLAND

RATE: 1d. inland rate (1898-1966)

STAMP: KGV 1d. (1925 printing)

POSTMARK: H.M.C.S. AFTERGLOW
* POSTED ON BOARD * 13.MAR.1926

COMMENT: The cover was sent by the Falkland Islands Company in Stanley.
3d. for 3oz (1898-1966)

1910 “South Georgia.” IMPRINT ON O.H.M.S. COVER TO STANLEY

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

[Image of an old envelope with postal markings and handwritten text]

RATE: 3d. (3x1d.) triple inland rate (1898-1966)

STAMPS: KEVII 1d. (1907 printing), 2d. (1904 printing)

POSTMARKS: FE.17.10 (type F.4D); "South Georgia." imprint (type SG.IMP2)

COMMENT: A rare cover. It is addressed to the Governor of the Falkland Islands.
3d. for 1oz (1d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1898-1921)

1921 2d. REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO ROY COVE, WEST FALKLAND

RATE: 1d. inland rate (1898-1966) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STATIONERY / STAMP:
KGV 2d. registered envelope (type R1), 1d. (1920 printing)

POSTMARK: FE.3.21 (type F.6)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5

COMMENT: A very rare postal stationery item.
4d. for 1oz (1d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1966)

1928 REGISTERED COVER TO STANLEY, REGISTERED IN STANLEY

RATE: 1d. inland rate (1898-1966) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: KGV ½d. (1925 printing) 1d. (1927 printing), 2½d. (1927 printing)

POSTMARK: FE. 14.28 (type SS.2)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 6, applied in Stanley

ARRIVAL MARKING: 3.MR.28 (type PS.1A)
4d. for 1oz (1d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1966)

1935 LOCAL REGISTERED COVER FROM FOX BAY TO STANLEY

RATE: 1d. inland rate (1898-1966) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: Whale & Penguins 1d.(x4) (1929 printing)

POSTMARK: AP.
15.35 (type FB.1)

REGISTRATION
LABEL: Type 7
5d. for 2oz (2d. letter rate + 3d. registration fee, 1922-1966)

1928 REGISTERED DOUBLE RATE COVER TO STANLEY

RATE: 5d.; 2d. (2x1d.) double inland rate (1898-1966) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: KGV ½d. (1925 printing), 2d. (1928 printing), 2½d. (1927 printing)

POSTMARK: SP.12.28 (type SG.1)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type SG2
1d. (1892-1966)

1898 LOCAL 1D. POSTCARD TO STANLEY

RATE: 1d. inland postcard rate (1892-1966)

STATIONERY: QV 1d. postcard (type P.3)

POSTMARK: 12.OC.98 (type F.2)

COMMENT: The card is addressed to S.L. Unger, Passenger on board "Ammon", Harbour. The "Ammon" arrived in Port Stanley on 8/10 and departed on 13/10. The message on the card is very straightforward: "Port Stanley Oct.12/98. Dear Unger, Expect you for dinner, bay permitting, at 6 o'clock p.m. Sincerely yours, Davies".
1d. (1892-1966)

1912 POSTCARD FROM STANLEY TO NEW ISLAND

RATE: 1d. inland rate (1898-1966)

STAMP: KEVII 1d. (1907 printing)

POSTMARK: AP.30.12 (type F.5)

CARRIED BY: "Columbus", dep. 2/5

ARRIVAL MARKING: MY.11.12 (type N.2)

COMMENT: The postcard was sent by Edward B Binnie who had been Postmaster at New Island between 1910 and 1911.
OTHER RATES AND SERVICES

CONCESSIONARY MAIL

From time to time, many Soldiers were stationed throughout the British Empire and many Naval Ships visited the Falkland Islands. The high rates of postage were a real hardship to serving personnel and their families and concessionary rates were introduced as early as 1795. In 1850 the rate of 1d. was introduced for mail sent by Soldiers, Seamen and Non-commissioned Officers. In 1867 a rate of 6d. per ½oz. was introduced for Commissioned Officers letters. All Soldier's and Seaman's mail had to be counter-signed by the Commanding Officer and the sender had to write his name and rank on the address side of the letter.

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<td>6d. Officer's rate</td>
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PARCEL POST

The Imperial Parcel Post service was extended to the Falkland Islands with effect from 1 September 1888. On average about ten times more parcels were carried to the islands than from them. Inland Parcel Post was introduced in June 1891 together with the regular inter-island mail service.

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<td>Parcels inland 4d.(3 lbs), 8d.(7 lbs), 1s.(11 lbs) 4d. for 3lbs., one example shown</td>
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<td>1922 (1 January)</td>
<td>Parcels abroad 1s.9d.(3 lbs), 3s.3d.(7 lbs), 4s.6d.(11 lbs) 1/9 for 3lbs., one example shown</td>
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MAIL ENCLOSED IN PACKAGES

This must be one of the most obscure postal services in the history of the Falklands! In 1899 the Dean of the Falkland Islands had been rebuked by the Postmaster for having a package addressed to him which was found to contain four letters not prepaid for postage. When George Hurst became Postmaster in 1905 he ensured that no such evasion of the regulations would occur in mailings to his son Robert in the USA.

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WAR TAX

Between 1 October 1918 and 5 May 1920 a War Tax was charged on all letters sent from the Falkland Islands to Great Britain and the Empire. This amounted to 1d. for the first ounce and ½d. for each additional ounce for letters and 1/- each for parcels.

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1d. Soldier’s rate (1795-1898)

**1842 CONCESSIONARY LETTER TO ENGLAND SENT BY A SEAMAN ON H.M.S. EREBUS**

RATE: 1d. concessionary Soldier's and Seamen's prepaid rate to Great Britain (1795-1850)

POSTMARKS: London General Post PAID 11.FE.11.1843 single ring in red; PD FE.11.1843 10Fp octagonal paid marking of the London District Post in red; both used on letters prepaid in cash.

SENT BY: Manuscript "From Richard Wall, Seaman, H.M.Ship Erebus" and countersigned "E Bird, Commdr, 7th Sept/42, HMS Erebus" (Edward Joseph Bird was the First Lieutenant of HMS Erebus). HMS Erebus and Terror arrived in Port Louis on 6th April 1842 and departed on 8 September, for Cape Horn. They briefly visited the Falklands again between 13 November and 17 December when they departed for "the South Pole" according to the Stanley shipping records.

CARRIED BY: "Hebe", dep. 30/11, arr. London c. 10/2 1843. The "Hebe" (a brig of 189 tons under Captain C F Anderson), which had brought Governor Moody and his party in January 1842, arrived on 8 November and was the only ship to depart from the Falklands during the second half of 1842, except for HMS Erebus and Terror.

COMMENT: The letter was sent by Richard Wall to his wife "Hannah Wall, No.11 Davinshire Place, Woolwich, Kent, England" and is headed "H.M.Ship Erebus, Port Louis, Barkley Sound, Falkland Island, September the 5th, 1842". He mentions "We have been hear now nerly five months anxiously looking for a letter as non of us has hard from home this long time. We ar to sail from hear on the 8th of this month for Cape Horn. This is a rather derery place to winter at. Lt Moody and his party is hear, he is Governor and there ar about thirty or forty inhabitents beside his party. There is no wood on the Island but plenty of wild cattle, gees, ducks, rabbits and a grat many birds. The 'Carlifort' brought our new bowsprit from Rio de Janeiro and a supply of bread etc. Write an answer to this and direct it for the Cape of Good Hope, where if all is well I hope to be next May."

**THIS IS THE EARLIEST KNOWN CONCESSIONARY LETTER FROM THE FALKLAND ISLANDS AND ONE OF THE EARLIEST KNOWN LETTERS FROM AN ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.**
1d. Soldier's rate (1795-1898)

1893 1d. Seaman's rate on cover from Stanley to England

RATE: 1d. concessi-
nary Soldier's and
Seamen's rate to Great
Britain (1850-1898)

STAMP: Great Britain
QV 1d. 1881

POSTMARK: F.B.
obliterating applied by
the Foreign Branch
Post Office in the UK.

SENT BY: Manuscript
"From W Crocker, Stok-
er, HMS Sirius, Port
Stanley, S. America"
and counter-signed by
the "Commanding Offi-
cer". HMS Sirius
arrived in Stanley on 8
January 1893 and
departed on 17 March
bound for Montevideo.

CARRIED BY: "Tanis",
dep. 13/3, arr. London 13/4
LETTERS FOR OFFICERS
Serving on Board Ships of War on Colonial Stations.

ON the 1st November next, and thenceforward, the regulations under which Letters addressed to Officers serving on board any of Her Majesty’s Ships on a Colonial Station may be forwarded at the reduced British postage of sixpence the single rate, will be so far modified, that such reduced rate will be chargeable only when the full postage is paid in advance.

In all cases where such Letters are posted unpaid, they will be chargeable, on delivery, with a fine of sixpence, in addition to the postage, and when they are posted insufficiently paid (by means of postage stamps) they will be chargeable, on delivery, with a fine of sixpence in addition to the deficient postage.

The same regulations will apply equally to Letters from Officers serving on board Her Majesty’s Ships in the Colonies when addressed to this Country.

By Command of the Postmaster-General.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,
17th October, 1864.

Printed by W. P. GRIEVE, 6, Langley Street, Long Acre, London, W.C.
6d. Officer's rate (1867-1881)

1881 6D. OFFICER'S RATE ON COVER FROM STANLEY TO ENGLAND

RATE: 6d. concessionary Officer's rate to Great Britain (1867-1881)

STAMP: Great Britain QV 6d. 1880

POSTMARK: B10 obliterator applied in Perranarworthal, Devon (close to Falmouth), upon arrival in England.

SENT BY: Lieutenant Frank A Halloran, HMS Cleopatra, to his wife. HMS Cleopatra, a corvette of 2380 tons, arrived in Stanley on 24 January 1881 from Valparaiso and departed soon afterwards possibly bound for Simonstown, South Africa.

ARRIVAL MARKING: Exeter MR.18.81

COMMENT: THERE ARE ONLY TWO KNOWN Officer's letters from the Falkland Islands. The cover has a manuscript marking "Falkland" on the front and "HMS CLEOPATRA" printed on the flap. The cover is repaired.
WAY BILL
OF PARCEL MAILS from PORT STANLEY to LONDON.

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Embarked on board the Steamer ____________________________

on the __________ day of __________ 18

Received the above Mails.

Commander of Steamer or his Deputy.

Received the above Mails at _____________________________

on the __________ day of __________ 18, at _________ m.

Postmaster of Port of Arrival.

Mails forwarded to Mount Pleasant Parcel Depot, London, at _________ m.

Received the above Mails.

__________________________________________
Superintendent.
3/- for 11 lbs (1898-1922)

1902 PARCEL WRAPPING TO ENGLAND

RATE: 3/- parcel rate to the UK for a parcel between 7 lbs. and 11 lbs. (1898-1922)

STAMPS: QV 2½d. (1901 printing), 6d. (x2) (1896 printing), 9d. (1896 printing), 1/- (1896 printing). A ½d. stamp must have been affixed elsewhere on the parcel.

POSTMARK: 22.JU.02 (type F.4A)

CARRIED BY: "Orellana", dep. 29/6

COMMENT: THIS IS THE EARLIEST KNOWN example of parcel post from the Falkland Islands.
RATE: 4d. inland parcel rate up to 3 lbs. (1899-1922)

STAMPS: QV 1d. (x4) (1902 printing)

POSTMARK: SP. 11.06 (type F.4B)

CARRIED BY: "Consort", from Port Howard to Stanley, arr. 11/9

COMMENT: The label is addressed to the West Store in Stanley and was sent from a farm outside of Stanley.
1933 REGISTERED PARCEL WRAPPING TO THE USA

RATE: 2s.; 1s.9d. parcel rate up to 3 lbs (1922-51) + 3d. registration fee (1922-70)

STAMPS: 1933 1/- (x2), USA 10c. Postage Due 1931

POSTMARK: 20.SP.33 (type PS.1), NEW YORK 3.11.1933

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5D

CARRIED BY: "Lafoinia" dep. 28/9

1908 POSTCARD SENT BY TED BINNIE TO ROBERT HURST IN THE USA

Post Card.

Correspondence

ADDRESS

Dear Bob,

Long time no see! I must miss this mail, but I promise you a huge letter next time. Thanks for the nice letter, not too much spam.

Yours truly,
Ted

RATE: 1d. foreign postcard rate (1898-1921)

STAMP: KEVII 1d. dull coppery red (1907 printing)

POSTMARK: OC.5.08 (type F.4)

CARRIED BY: "Oriana"
dep. 5/10

COMMENT: The card was sent by "Ted" (E. B. Binnie) and was enclosed in a package to his friend "Bob" (Robert Hurst) in New York: "Sorry I must miss this mail but I promise you a huge letter next time".
1d. (1898-1921)

1910 POSTCARD SENT BY THE POSTMASTER E. B. BINNIE TO ROBERT HURST

Dear Bob,

I am just despatching an intermediate mail via "Moulo" P.S.S. Blenheim, so I am sending a letter. I thought I had better let you know previous in case the shock might effect your system & leave you a physical blow.

Yours for ever, Ted.

RATE: 1d, foreign postcard rate (1898-1921)

STAMP: KEVII 1d, (1907 printing)

POSTMARK: 10.JU.10 (type N.2)

CARRIED BY: "Blenheim", dep. New Island 10/6, bound for Liverpool via Montevideo.

COMMENT: The card was sent by "Ted" (E. B. Binnie) who had become Postmaster on New Island on 1 June 1910, to his friend "Bob" (Robert Hurst) in New York. He mentions that he is sending a letter in which this card was obviously enclosed.
2d. for 1oz (1d. War Tax + 1d. letter rate, 1918-20)

1919 SINGLE RATE WAR TAX COVER TO ENGLAND

Messrs. Groves & Lindley
110 Lion Buildings

RATE: 2d.; 1d. War Tax (1918-20) + 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948)
STAMP/STATIONERY: KGV 1d. 1916, KGV 1d. envelope 1917 (E3)
POSTMARK: 18.JY.19 (F.4F)
CARRIED BY: “Sorata”, dep. 10/8 for Liverpool via Chile
COMMENT: Commercial examples of covers showing the War Tax are rare.
4d. for 1oz (1d. War Tax + 1d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1918-20)

1918 REGISTERED WAR TAX COVER TO ENGLAND

RATE: 4d.; 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948) + 1d. War Tax (1918-20) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STAMPS: War Stamp ½d.(x4) (1st printing), 1d.(x2) (1st printing)

POSTMARK: 22.OC.18 (type PS.1B)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5A

CARRIED BY: "Corcovado", dep. 10/11

ARRIVAL MARKING: Registered Chester 28.DE.18

COMMENT: THIS IS THE Earliest ReveRED use of War Stamps.
4d. for 1oz (1d. War Tax + 1d. letter rate + 2d. registration fee, 1918-20)

1919 2d. REGISTERED ENVELOPE TO ENGLAND

RATE: 1d. imperial rate (1898-1948) + 1d. War Tax (1918-20) + 2d. registration fee (1891-1921)

STATIONERY / STAMP: KGV 2d. registered envelope (type R1), War Stamp 1d. (x2) (3rd printing)

POSTMARK: 28.OC.19 (type F.4B)

REGISTRATION LABEL: Type 5A

CARRIED BY: "H. M. S. Southampton", dep. 29/10

ARRIVAL MARKING: London 30.NO.19

COMMENT: A very rare postal stationery item.