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The British Postal Contract of 1867 empowered the **Postmaster-General** to employ civil officers in charge of the mail east of SUEZ. A weekly service between SUEZ and BOMBAY was arranged, and this became effective with the mails that left BOMBAY on 7th March 1868. First decided to employ 5 Sets of sorters and a relief Set to remain at SUEZ in case of accident or sickness. Each set would be composed of : 1 Head sorter , 1 Assistant, 2 Packers.



THE LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN SUEZ AND BOMBAY,
VIA ADEN.



8 OC 1877 Cover sent from BOMBAY arrival MILANO on 26 OC 1877 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on

8 OC 1877 D 6 Set C by S.S. "KHEDIVE" which built in 1871, and 3742 tons.

Via SUEZ on 21-10-77 & BRINDISI on 25 OC 77. Transit time 19 days.

Paid 5 Annas, covering the postal rate of the destination.

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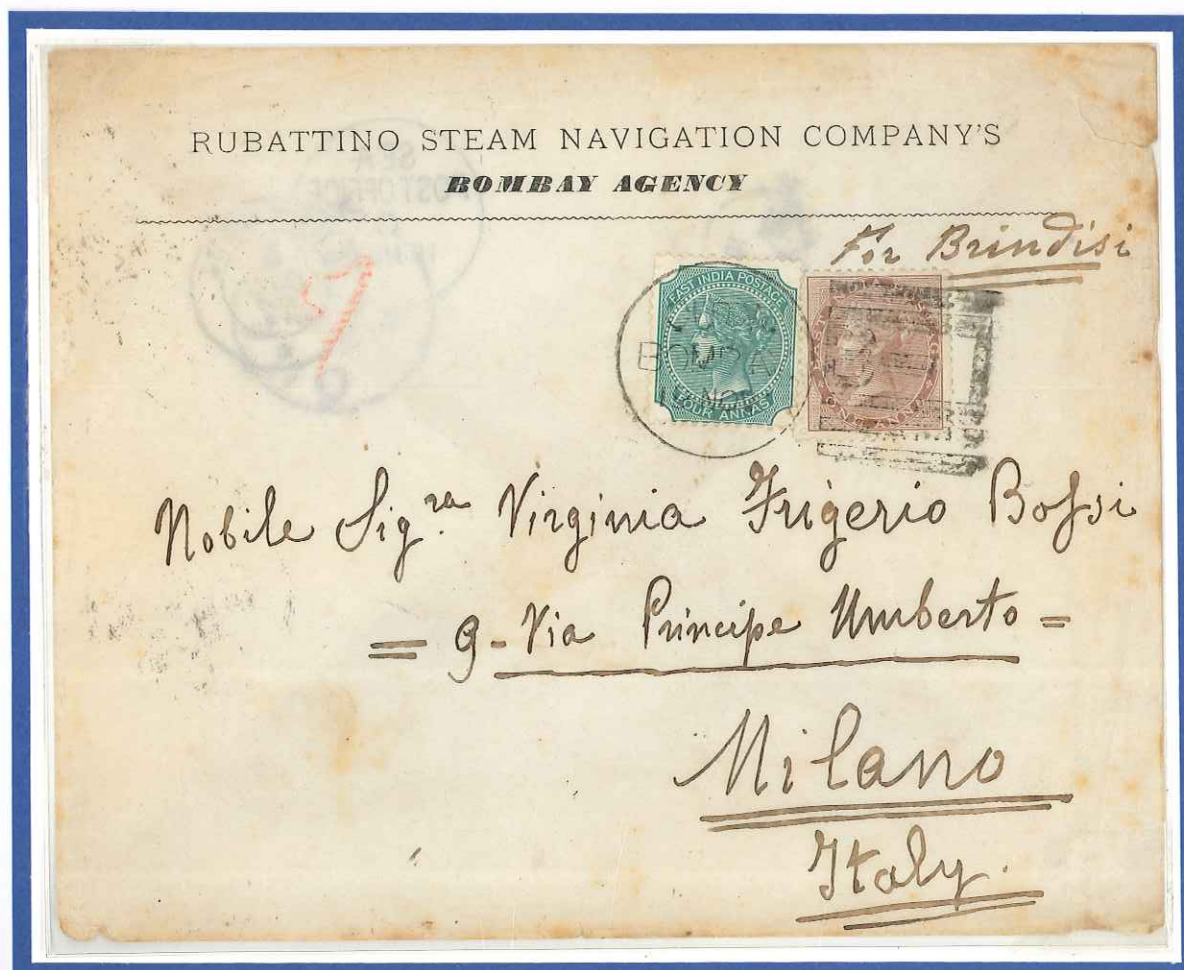


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9 NO 1880 Stationery cover sent from BOMBAY arrival CONSTANTINOPOLI on 2 DE 1880 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 13 NO 1880 D 5 Set C by S.S. "INDUS" which built in 1847, and 1782 tons. Via SUEZ on 24-11-80. Final EGYPTIAN post office abroad in COSTANTINOPOLI arrival c.d.s. 2-12 Transit time 24 days.
Paid Half Anna, not covering the postal rate of the destination, for this taxed by T & 2.10



19 NO 1877 Cover sent from BOMBAY arrival MILANO on 6 DE 1877 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 19 DE 77 D 5 Set C by S.S. "SURAT" which built in 1866, and 2578 tons. Via SUEZ on 1-12-77 & BRINDISI on 5 DE 77. Transit time 18 days.
Paid 5 Annas, covering the postal rate of the destination.



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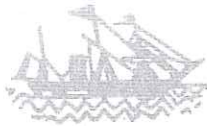


PHOTOCOPY OF REVERSE



19-8-1880 Postcard sent from LESBOIS around the world and receiving 24 different datestamps with "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 5 AUG-80 D6 Set D by S.S. "ZAMBESI" which built in 1873 and 2431 tons. Final returned back to LESBOIS on 20-11-80, Transit time 93 days. Paid 10 Franco not covering the postal rate of the world around.

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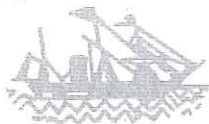


9 APR 1889 Stationery Postcard sent from PORT SAID arrival CANNANORI on 26-4-89 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 11-4-89 D17 Set F by **S.S. "SUTLEJ"**. Via SUEZ & ADAN.
Transit time 17 days.
Paid 5 Mill. covering the postal rate of the destination.



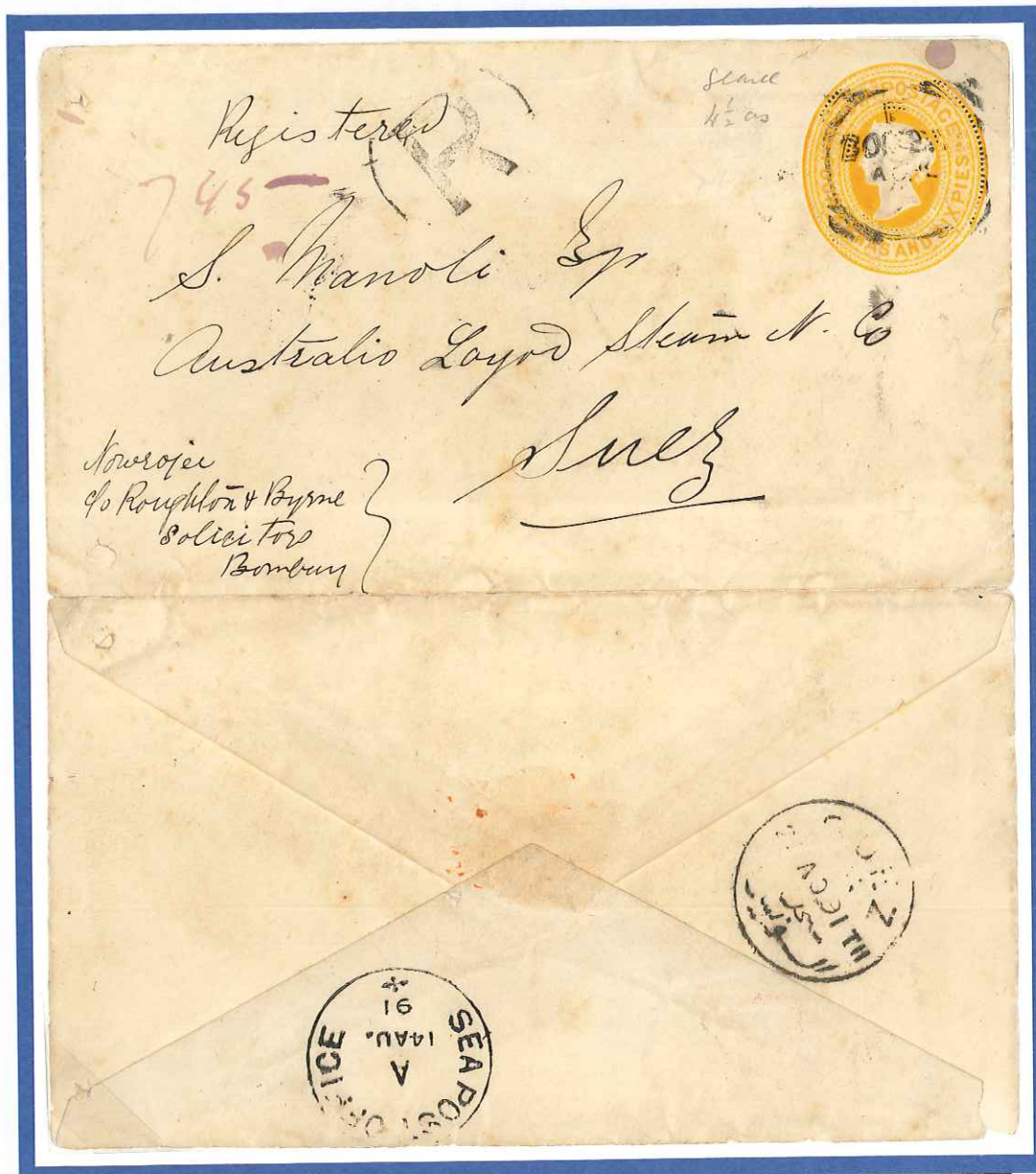
13 JUN 1889 Cover sent from AUSTRIAN post office in JURUSALEM arrival BOMBAY on 30 JUN 89 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 20 JU-89 D15 Set D by **S.S. "THAMES"**. Via PORT-SAID on 14-6-89.
Transit time 17day
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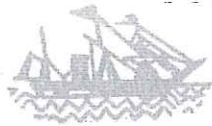
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14 AUG 1891 Registered stationery cover sent from BOMBAY arrival SUEZ on 26-8-91 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 14 AU D 20 Set A by S.S. "PEKIN" which built in 1871 and 3777 tons. Via ADAN on 22-8-91. Transit time 12 days. Paid 4 Annas and six Pies. covering the registered postal rate of the destination.

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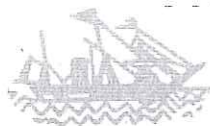
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29 NO 1892 Stationery cover sent from RANIKHET arrival ALESSANDRIA on 13-12-92 through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 2 DE 92 D 24 Set C by S.S. "CLYDE" which built in 1821 and 479 tons. Via SUEZ on 12-12-92. Transit time 15 days.

Paid 5 Anna, covering the postal rate of the destination.

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2 JA 1892 Stationery postcard sent from BOMBAY arrival BERLIN on 16-2-92 through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 2 JA 92 D 24 set C by **S.S. "ROSETTA"**
Transit time 47 days.
Paid One and half Anna , covering the postal rate of the destination .



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28 MAR 1892 Postal stationery reply card sent from CALCATA arrival LIMASSOL (CYPRUS) on 14-4-92 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 2-4-92 D 22 Set A by S.S. "ASSAM" which built in 1873 and 3033 tons. Via SUEZ on 2-4-92. which tying the postcard and its reply by Egyptian Interpostal Seal. Transit time 21 days. Paid two Annas. covering the postal rate of the destination.



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26 NO 1892 Stationery cover sent from BOMBAY arrival RYDE on 13 DE 92 after readressed from OSWESTRY through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 26-NO 92 D23

Set B by S.S. "PENINSULAR"

Transit time 18 days.

Paid Two and half Annas, covering the postal rate of the destination.



4 JL 1894 Registered Cover sent from SOWOARPETT arrival CAIRO on 18 JL 94 through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 6-JL 92 D22 Set B by S.S. "SIAM" which built in 1873 and 3026 tons.

Transit time 14 days.

Paid Four and half Annas, covering the postal Registered rate of the destination.

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3 DE 1895 Stationery postcard TURQUIE sent from JERUSALEM arrival BANGALORE on 23DE 95 through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 6 DE 95 D 22 Set A by S.S. "ORIENTAL" which built in 1889 and 5248 tons. Via ALEXANDRIA on 5-12-95. Transit time 20 days. The card has New Grand Hotel oval cachet in violet. Paid 20 Paras, covering the postal rate of the destination.



19 JA 1895 Cover sent from BOMBAY arrival CAIRO on 29 JA 95 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 19JA 95 D24 Set C by S.S. "CLYDE" which built in 1821 and 479 tons. Via SUEZ on 29-1-95. Transit time 10 days.

Paid Two Annas and Six Pies. covering the postal rate of the destination.

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6 AP 1895 Cover sent from BUSHIRE arrival CAIRO on 28 JL 94 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 20 AP 92 D22 Set A by S.S. "HIMALAYA" which built in 1853 and 3438 tons
Transit time 22 days.
Paid Two and half Annas , covering the postal rate of the destination.



8 JU 1895 Cover sent from BUSHIRE arrival CAIRO on 4 JUL 95 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 21 JUL 95 D 20 Set A by S.S. "ORIENTAL" which built in 1840 and 1787 tons. Via BOMBAY on 20 JU & SUEZ on 3 JU 95.
Transit time 26 days.
Paid Two Annas . covering the postal rate of the destination.

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26 AP 1896 Stationery Postcard sent from PORT-SAID arrival MOOLTAN on 9 JU 96 through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 1 JU 1892, D22 Set A by S.S. "PENINSULAR" Transit time 13 days.
Paid 5 Mills, covering the postal rate of the destination.



20 AP 1397 Stationery Postcard sent from CAIRO arrival BUSHIRE on 4 JU 97 through "SEAPOST OFFICE" on 2 AP 1897, D 24 Set C by S.S. "GANES" which built in 1850 and 1190 tons. Via BOMBAY on 1 JU & ADEN on 1-5-97. Transit time 14 days.
Paid 5 mills, covering the postal rate of the destination.

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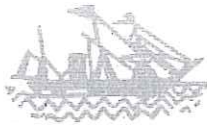


22 JA 1899 Stationery Cover sent from MINIA arrival CALCUTTA on 7 FB 99 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 30 JA 99 D23 Set B by S.S. "SHANNON" Via CAIRO on 22-1-99. Transit time 22 days. Paid 10 Mills, covering the postal rate of the destination.



6 JUL 1899 Stationery Postcard sent from ALEXANDRIA arrival CALCUTTA on 23 JUL 1899 through "SEA POSTOFFICE" on 17 JUL 1899, D 23 Set B by S.S. "CLYDE" which built in 1821 and 479 tons. Via BOMBAY on 22 JUL & ADEN on 3 JUL. Transit time 17 days. Paid 4 Mills, covering the postal rate of the destination.

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27 AU 1900 Stationery postcard sent from KASALI arrival CAIRO on 11-9-1900 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on 1 SE 1900 D30 Set B by S.S. "ORIENTAL" which built in 1840 and 1787 tons. Transit time 13 days. Paid one Anna, covering the postal rate of the destination.



4 JU 1901 Stationery Envelope sent from CHIT TAGONG arrival BUSHIRE on 24 JU 1901 through "SEAPOSTOFFICE" on 8 JU 01 D 24 Set C by S.S. "PERSIA" which built in 1856 and 3300 tons. Via ADEN on 14 JU 1901 Transit time 20 days. Paid one Anna, not covering the postal rate of the destination, for this m.s. taxed by two and half Annas & cachet by T handstamp on circle.

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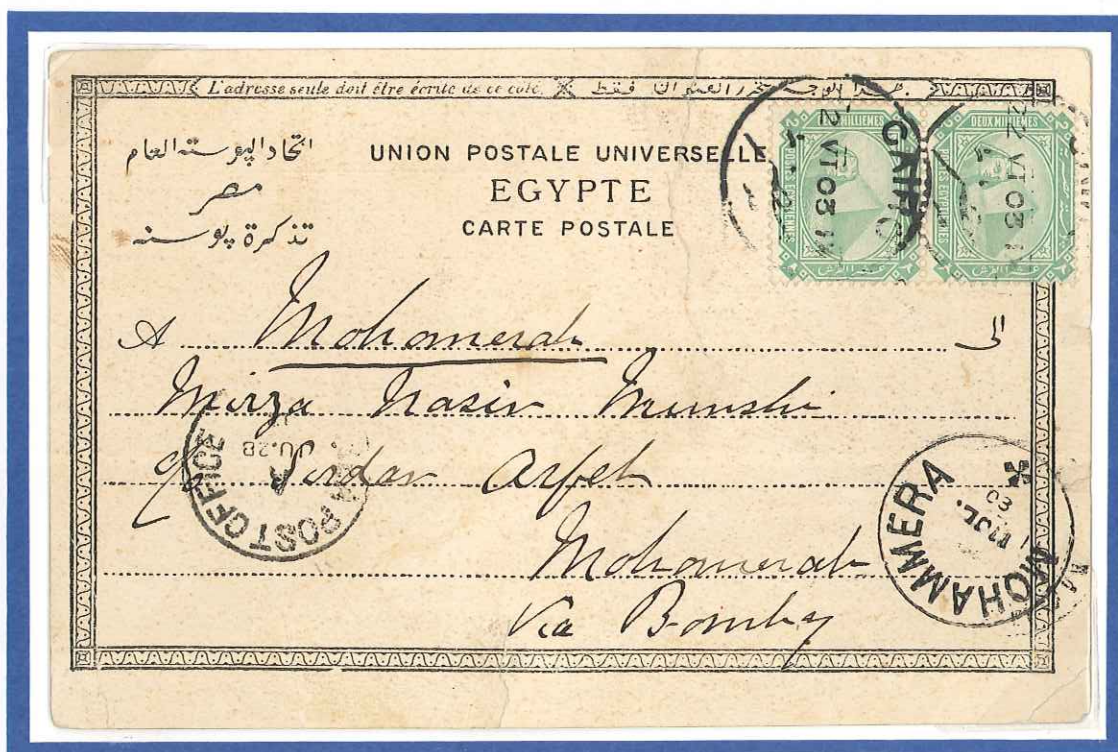
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27JA1903 Stationery postcard sent from ASUOT arrival BHERA on 10 FE 1903 through "SEA POST OFFICE" on frist FE 1903 D 39 Set A by S.S. "CALEDONIA" which built in 1888 and 1154 tons. Via SUEZ on 28JA, with BENI-SOUËF/CAIRO T.P.O. on the same day. Transit time 14 days.

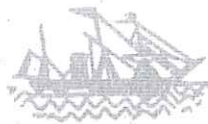
Paid 4 Mills, covering the postal rate of the destination.



22-VI-1903 P. postcard sent from CAIRO arrival MOHAMMERA on 11 JU 1903 through "SEAPOST OFFICE" on 28 JU 03 D 32 Set A by S.S. "ARABIA" which built in 1863 and 2402 tons. Via ADEN on 28 JU 1903. Transit time 19 days.

Paid 4 Mills, covering the postal rate of the destination.

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21 MY 1908 Cover sent from LUCKNOW arrival LONDON on 12 JU 1908 through "SEAPOST OFFICE BOMBAY-ADEN" on 28 MY 1908 D 51 Set C by **S.S. "ARABIA"** which built in 1865 and 2402 tons. Via ADEN on 27 MY 08. Transit time 22 days.
Paid one Anna, covering the postal rate of the destination.



4 SE 1908 Cover sent from LUCKNOW arrival LONDON on 28 SE 1908 through "SEA POST OFFICE BOMBAY-ADEN" on 5 SE 08 D 53 Set C by **S.S. "ARCADIA"** which built in 1888. Via ADEN on 10 SE 1908. Transit time 24 days.
Paid one Anna, covering the postal rate of the destination.