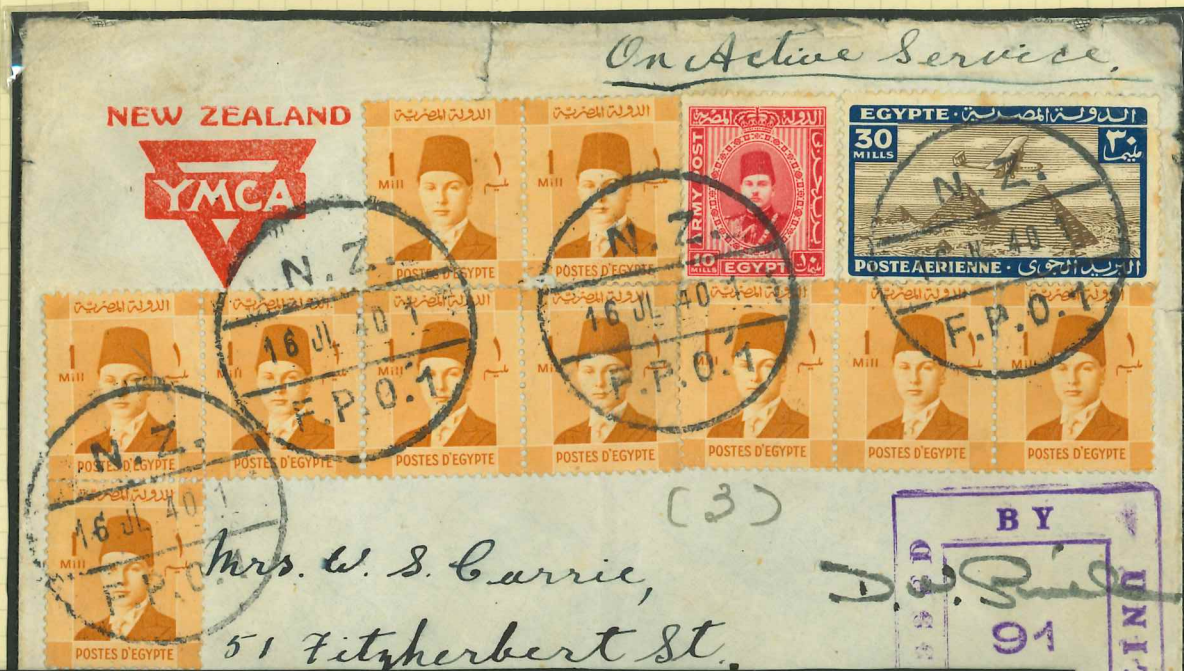


New Zealand Forces

NZ Field Post Offices 1

Italy formed the Axis Powers with Germany and N.Z.F.P.O. 1 was moved from Alexandria to Ma'adi joining 2 N.Z. Expeditionary Force from 22 JU 40.



A. F. W3078

Air Mail **ACTIVE**

AIR MAIL

This envelope must not be used for coin or valuables. It cannot be accepted for registration.

NOTE:—

Correspondence in this envelope need not be censored Regimentally. The contents are liable to examination at the Base.

The following Certificate must be signed by the writer:—

I certify on my honour that the contents of this envelope refer to nothing but private and family matters.

Signature }
Name only } *W. Hewlin*

[Crown Copyright Reserved]

SERVICE

Address:—

Mr. D. McL. Ross

Bank of N.S.W.
Hamilton Quay
Wellington
61

30 MILLS
POSTES D'EGYPTE

10 EGYPT

Two O.A.S. censored airmail covers to New Zealand from Ma'adi; top cover has 10x1 millieme definitives souvenirs.

The Postal Concession

Four and six pence airmail, Melbourne to Alexandria with six censors.



Melbourne
Airmail
Section, Vic.
9th June 41

Cairo
23 JU 41

Alexandria
24 JU 41

Egypt 61
Postage
Prepaid
29 JU 41

Field Post
Office 443
7 JL 41

Egypt 61
Postage
Prepaid
17 JL 41

BASE P.O.
B.W.1
9 JL 41

Rate:
3x1/6
per 2oz.

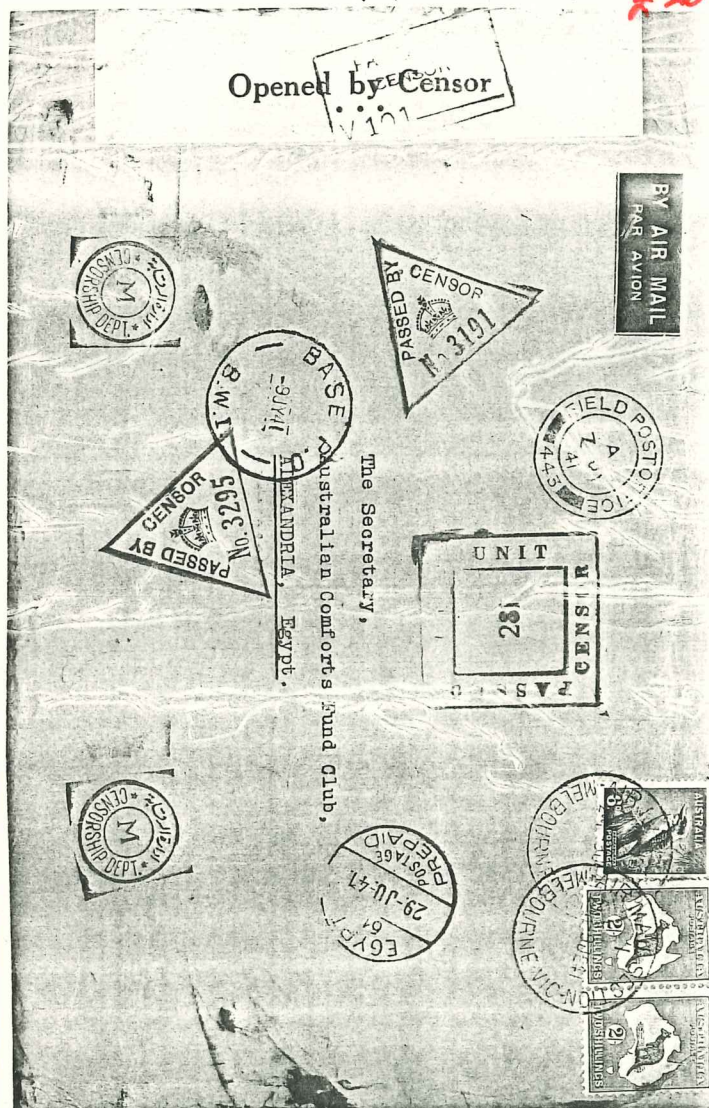
AUSTRALIA to Egypt

(30)

9 June 1941 Airmail Section Melbourne
To Egypt

Rate $3 \times \frac{1}{6} \text{ per } \frac{1}{2} \text{ oz} = 4\frac{1}{2}$ **£ 20**

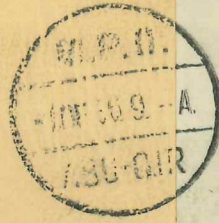
Opened by Censor



3 July 1941 BWJ Gaza
7 July 1941 443 Alexandria - AIF Detach Camp
29 June 1941 Egypt 61 " " " " " " " " " " " "

Fuad Army Post Stamps

Three first
day covers
from Cairo,
Abu Qir and
Alexandria
each with
A/36 controls



A/36



A/36



Mr. L. A. McIntosh
31. Poynders Road
Clapham Park
London S.W. 4
England

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London S.W. 4.

U.K.



A/36



All three
controls are
from "Pip"
Whetter's 1st
Page with
the 'dribble'
of ink at A.

Mr. L. A. McIntosh
31. Poynders Road
Clapham Park
London S.W. 4. U.K.

Fuad Army Post Stamps

Overweight letter; Royal Navy Mail

Extract from standard letter issued to those complaining of taxed letters, by the Divisional Controller's Office:

"letters posted by H.M. Forces in Egypt and bearing the special 10 mill. Army Post stamps must be posted in Regimental post boxes, from which they are collected and dealt with by the British Military authorities.."

Clearly this did not apply to this Royal Navy posted cover.

(S.O.6777) Wt.21983/4939 500,000 (27) 8/39 C.T. Gp.680

MAIL ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

FASTEN Envelope by gumming this Label across
OPEN by cutting Label instead of tearing Envelope

Major L. H. Phillips,

Overdraft Cottage,

Wadebridge.

CORNWALL

ENGLAND.

(LABLARGE)



Overweight letter franked 70 milliemes made up of 10 mills surface plus 30 mills air surcharge doubled for overweight.

Farouk Army Post Stamps

*16th December 1939
'Royal' misplaced perforations*

One sheet from each plate put to press was sent to the king for approval; a collector like his father Fuad, Farouk retained them.



Oblique perforations exist to enable the Egyptian Post to treat as waste and balance their books; these entered the market in stamps when Farouk's collections were sold.

Fourth Letter Stamp

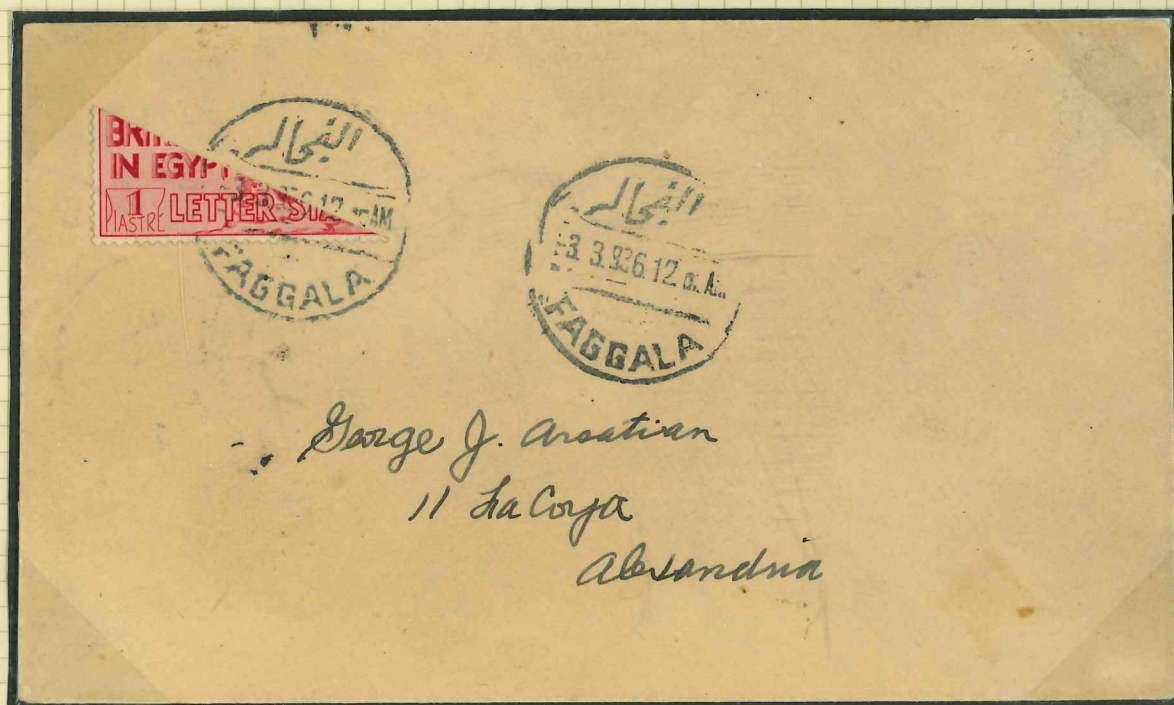
*21st December 1935
The "2nd Comb" Issue*

A shortage of stamps in Cairo resulted in a few copies being used bisected, either diagonally or vertically, on inland mail from Faggala on one day only.

3rd March 1936



Next day Cairo transit from the reverse of the cover.



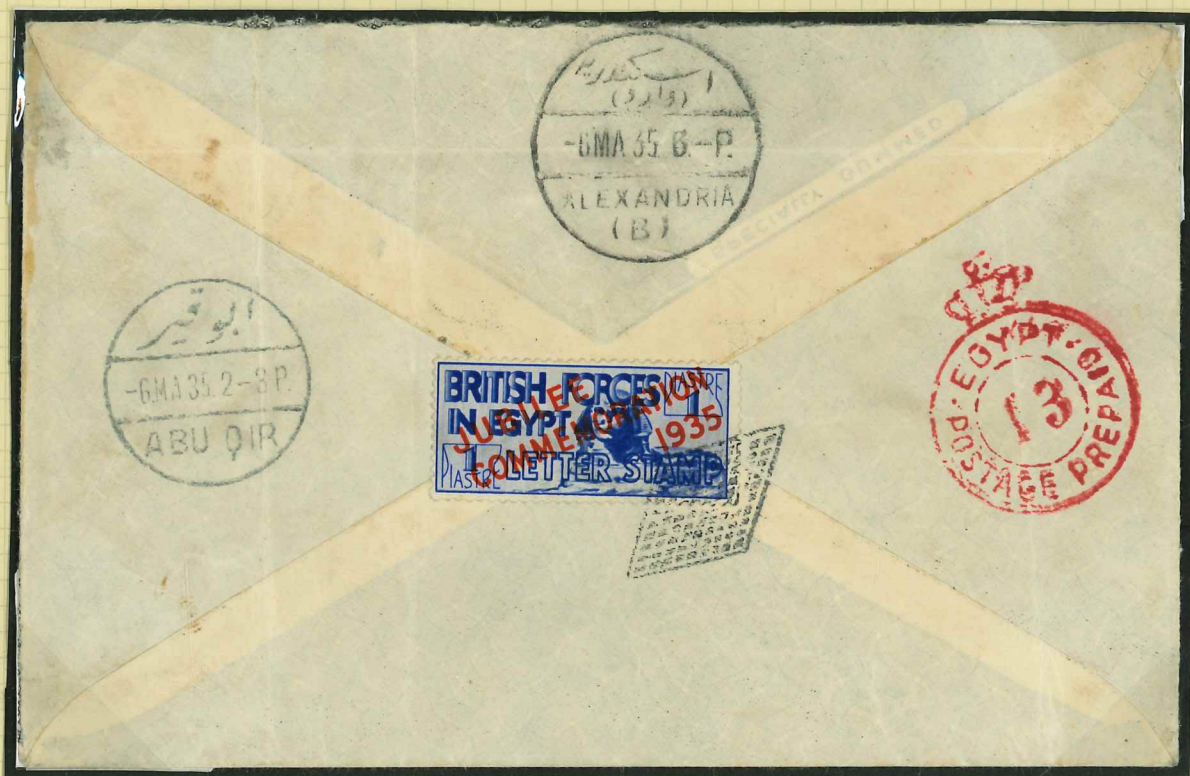
One of only three recorded inland covers with bisect.

GVTM Silver Jubilee

First Day Cover

"First day covers of this issue are rare, as the 6th May was a service holiday in Egypt and service post boxes were cleared only once (in the forenoon), at most stations on that day. Many letters bearing Jubilee Seals, although posted on May 6th, were not postmarked until the 7th. In fact, many servicemen knew nothing of this issue..."

Hobbs 1984.



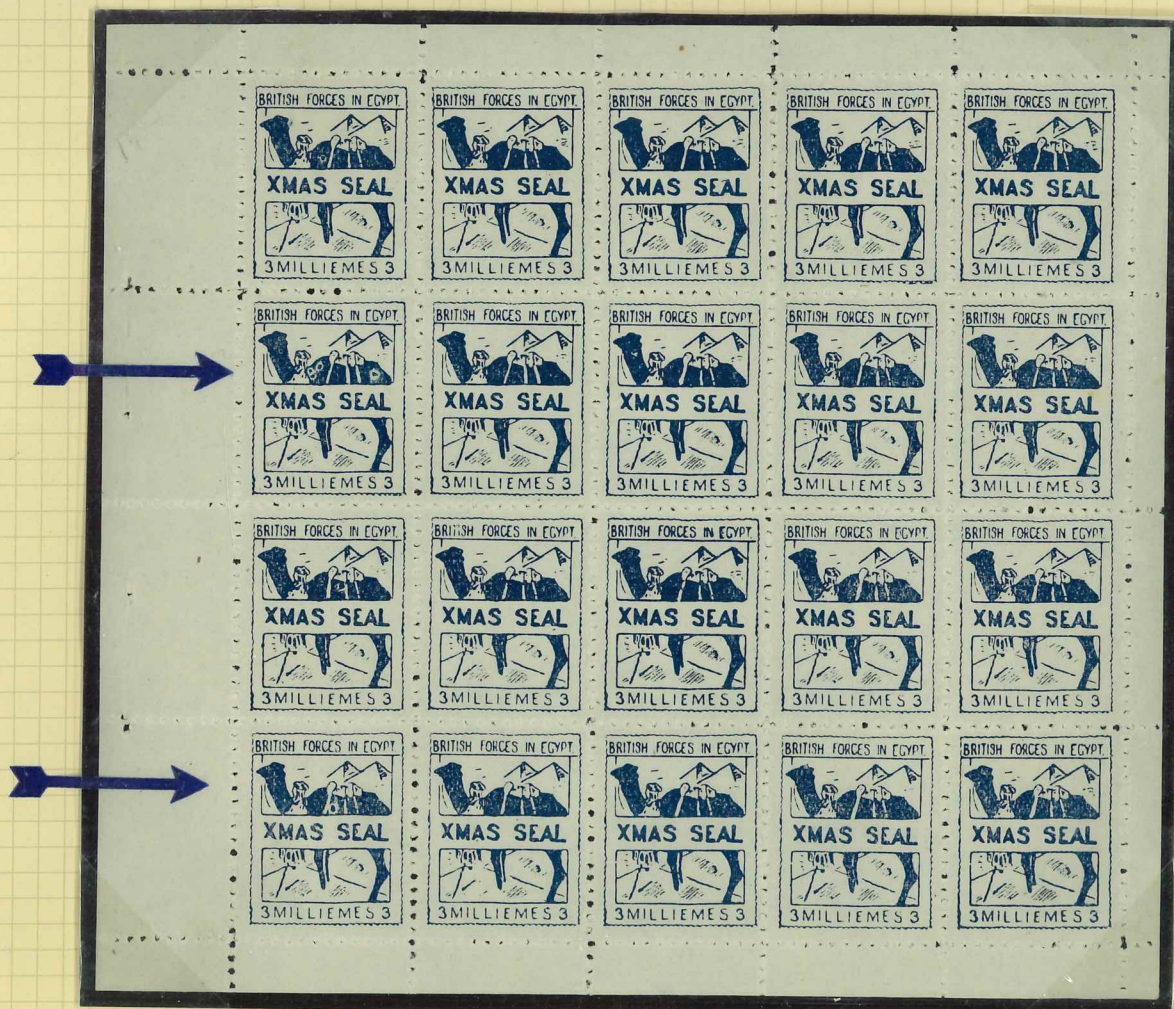
First day cover from R.A.F. Station at Aboukir sent to London S.W. Crown Cancel (or Numeral Frank) No. 13 and civilian Abu Qir cds. on both front and back with civilian Alexandria (B) cds. also on back; the stamp position 20, pane A, is cancelled with 9x10 dot retta.

Christmas Seal 1934

17th November 1934
61,865 printed



Diagram to show "target" varieties, see positions 6 and 16.



Bound in booklets of 100, fives frames of twenty.

Christmas Provisional

16th December 1935

Overprinted on "1st Comb" Issue
the one with the blind bottom perforation
10,000 issued of which 9,920 sold



Normal

"Clipped 3" Overprint misplaced
on position 18 as
shown below



These stamps were on sale only at R.A.F. Headquarters
at Cairo, at the Citadel Cairo and also at Mersa Matruh

OFFICIAL PAID

ARABI REBELLION 1882

Stampless Officer's Letter

EGYPT TO LONDON, ENGLAND

ABOUT SEPTEMBER 1, 1882

This cover was sent via the War Office rather than through the regular Army Post Office facilities or the Egyptian civilian post office. ~~On Her Majesty's Service~~ is crossed out and *Egypt Expeditionary Force* is written above it. There is no indication that a T marking or postage due amount has been applied as found on other stampless covers of the period. It is backstamped **LONDON S.W. N SP 6 82** and has the **LONDON L OFFICIAL PAID A 6 SP 82** applied on the front. It was received at the War Office at Horse Guards and signed for by *W. Macpherson* before being delivered. This is the only cover known to date with these markings.



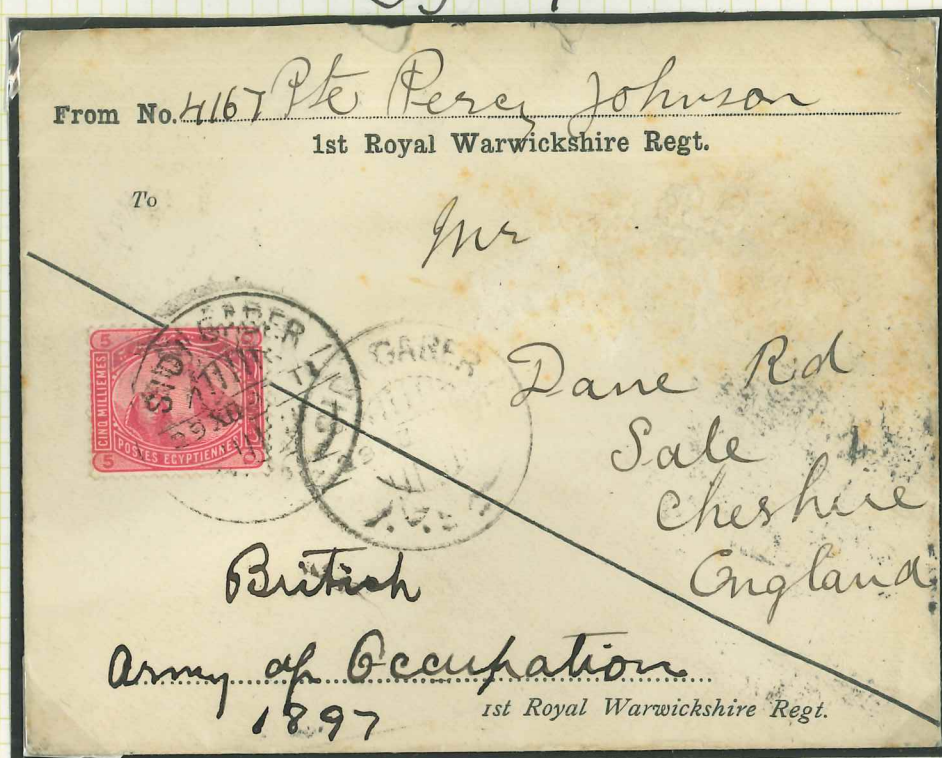
The enclosed letter is quite illegible but one can make out a few words such as the salutation *Dearest Anna*. She was the widow of Arthur Herbert Somers-Cocks, CB, and the mother of Lieutenant Herbert Haldane Somers-Cocks. Lieutenant Somers-Cocks (1861-1894), educated at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the 2nd Battalion of the Coldstream Guards on 16 October 1880 and made 1st Lieutenant on 1 July 1881. He was present at the battle of Tel-el-Kebir and was awarded the Egyptian Medal with Clasp and the Khedive's Star. He was later a captain in the 4th Battalion of the Worcester Regiment but was invalided out with lung problems.

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British Forces in Egypt

The Army of Occupation



5 mills soldiers rate Sidi Gaber via Alexandria to England 29-XII-97, arrived Manchester 6th Jan. 1898

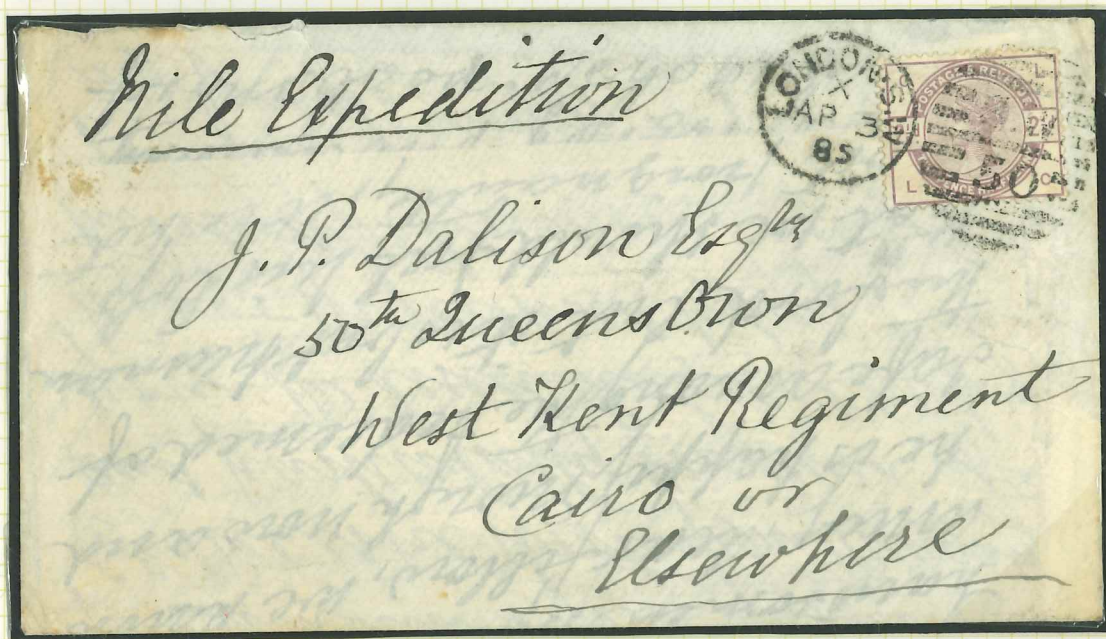


2¹/₂d officer's unsigned letter Cairo to London correctly charged double rate at Foreign Branch 30-4-1896

British Forces in Egypt

Nile Expedition

Campaign letter, tied by London S.W. duplex and dated 3rd April 1885, from his father to an officer in the West Kent Regiment on the Nile Expedition to rescue Gordon at Khartoum, also known as the Suakin Campaign.



The letter advises the son that his brother Max 'has died for his Queen and country.'