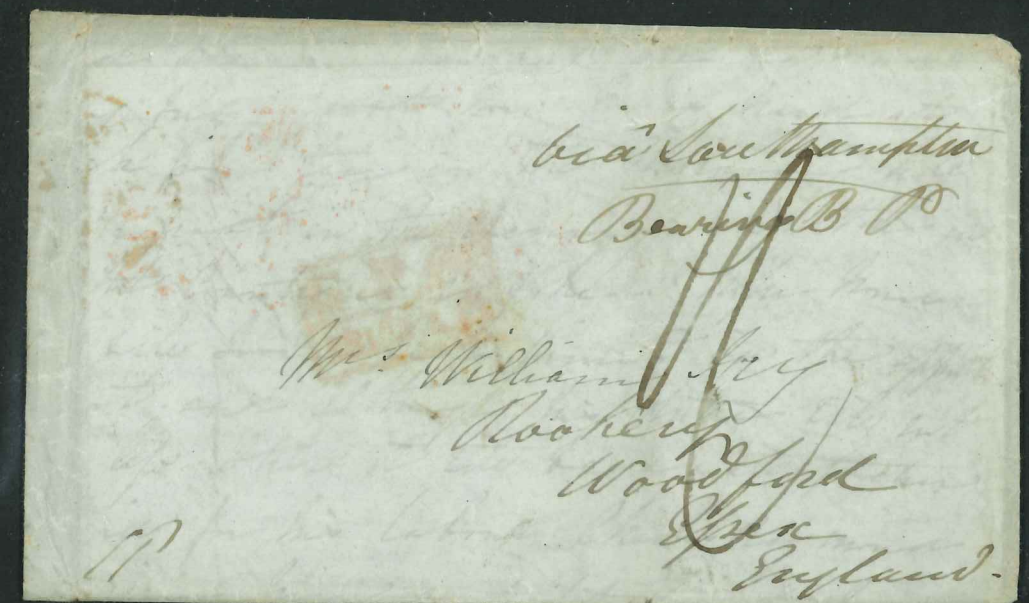


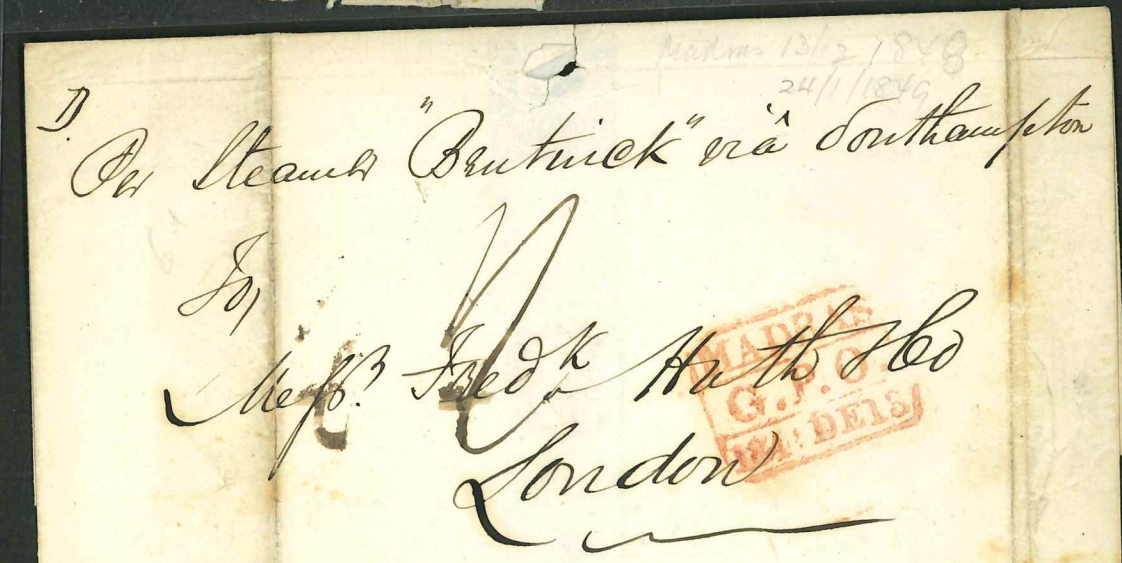
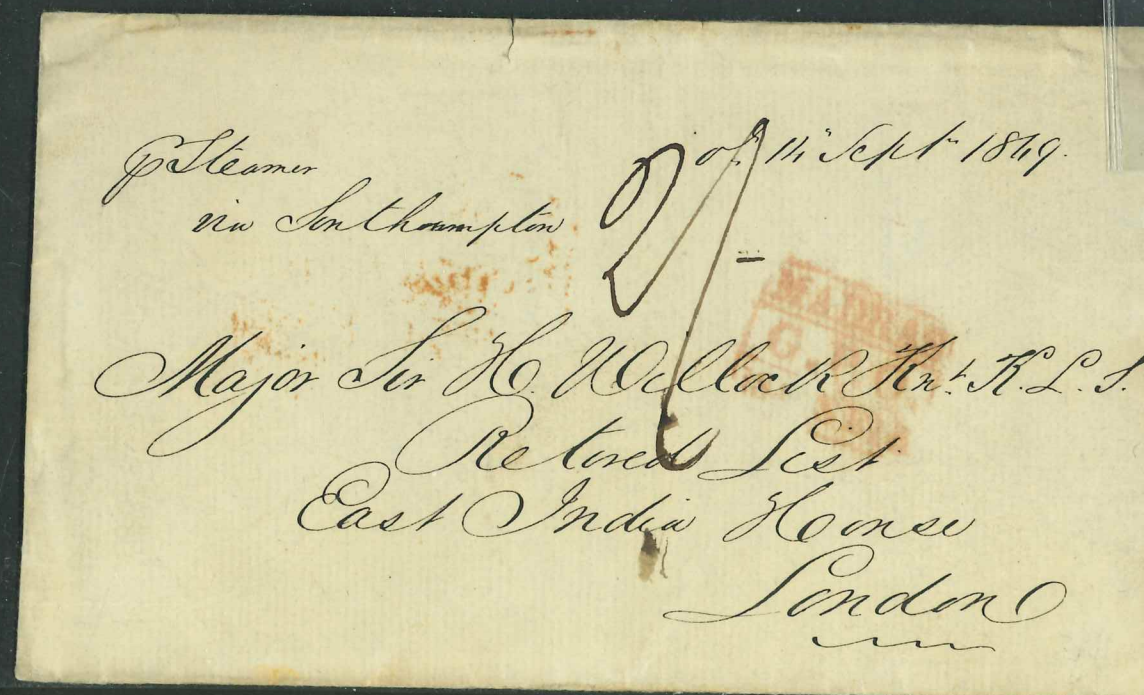
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Entire letter from UK to India paid 7 October 1847. Via Southampton and therefore charged Sh1/-cancelled Stroud. Backstamp Madras Bearing in black with manuscript As4.



A letter dated 14<sup>th</sup> September 1849 from Madras addressed to a Major (Retired) which relates to the Madras Military Fund and a donation paid to give life annuity to his four daughters..Despatch stamp of Madras G.P.O.





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*of. In Steamer via Southampton.*  
*Messrs Perkins Bacon & Co.*  
*London*

RELLARY  
 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 52  
 6 Cps

*to Madras*

CP  
 27 FEB  
 1852

RECEIVED  
 13 FEB 1852  
 2 Cps

1049 -  
*Madras, India. Fund*  
*Amount of Rs 295-5-5.*  
*paid by Messrs Arturthorn*  
*Donations paid to*  
*que life annuity*  
*to 4 daughters*

*Madras Fund*

*24 Jan*

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 24 JAN  
 1852



Part of an entire letter despatched from RAJAMUNDY, a town in the Godavari District of the Madras Presidency The letter was despatched on the 4<sup>th</sup> June 1849 with postage 6As to Bombay. It was received in Madras and the rectangular handstamp "G.P.O.-8 JUN 1849" (HG MX5 in use from 187-53) applied. The letter was received in London on the 29<sup>th</sup> July and ARDERSIER, Scotland on the 1<sup>st</sup> August 1849

The letter does not appear to be on any of the regular sailings.. The rectangular handstamp **PAO** is not known.



An entire letter from missionaries in Madras to London written on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1844. On the reverse is the rectangular "RECEIVING HOUSE No2" (HG MX 8 Vepery RH opened 1834, stamp in use from 1838-61). There is the rectangular handstamp of the Madras G.P.O in **RED** with the date 23<sup>rd</sup> Decb and 10 As paid. (HG 19 with 5mm letters in use from 1837 - 54). Also on the reverse is the receipt stamp in **RED** with the date 8 FEB 1845. On the front is the elliptical **INDIA** applied in Bombay for overland mail.

The letter would have left Bombay in the E.I.C.steamer "Berenice" on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1845 arriving in Suez on the 21<sup>st</sup> January. At Alexandria it was loaded in the P.O. steamer "Orient" which sailed on the 24<sup>th</sup> January for Malta arriving on the 28<sup>th</sup>. It was then transferred to the H.M.Packet "Polyphemeus" which sailed for Malta on the 29<sup>th</sup> arriving in Marsailles on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February and London on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 1845. Transit time.

