

## MEfSES BRIGHT & SON, STRAND

The CORRESPONDENCE SERIES is an investigation into the background of recipients of British pre-stamped postal stationery. The "collection" was purchased in South Africa in 1999 as a job lot, the which took me six months to sort and mount, creating a collection spanning 140 years. I have no idea of the provenance.

The Reference work is British Postal Stationery, A K Huggins.1970. The first date with catalogue number refers to the year when the pre-stamped envelope was first issued; the second, the year when the envelope was actually used.

### Philatelic Description of the item of Postal Stationery:

- 1902 (EP42)\_Mefses Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used MR 15 03)
- 1911 (CP58b)\_Mefses Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Glasgow 14 JA 15)
- 1911 (CP60v2)\_ Bright & Son, Postage Stamp Dealers, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Folkstone 3 MAY 1916)
- 1931 (CP90)\_Mefses Bright & Son, 167 Strand, London W.C. 2 (actually used from South Kensington 19 JUL 1939)
- 1912-1917 (RP28FAai)\_ Mefses Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. 2 (actually used Clacton.On.Sea 11 AP 1918)
- 1912-1917 (RP28FAai)\_ Mefses Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. 2 (actually used Clacton.On.Sea 11 AP 1918)
- 1917 + (RP28GAa)\_ Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Sandown ...)
- 1912-1917 (RP28GBa)\_Messrs. Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Willy Jacoby 131 Cannon St 18 DEC ...)
- 1918 (RP29Fb)\_Messrs. Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Twezeldown Camp 9 JAN 19)
- 1918 (RP29Gb)\_ Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Woolwich Common 19 MR 19)
- 1920 (RP30Fa)\_ Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Abbey Wood OC 27 20)
- 1922 (RP38G)\_Messrs Bright & Son, 167 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Hammersmith 14 MAY37)
- 1917 (EP57B)\_Messrs Bright & Son, 167 Strand, London W.C.2 (actually used from Halifax JAN 26 18)
- 1911 (LCP5)\_Messrs Bright & Son, 167 Strand, London W.C. (actually used from Hastings MY 15 12)

### Comment:

Bright & Son of London were stamp dealers and publishers of albums and catalogues and were on a par with other famous philatelic dealers of that time. The firm later became Alcock & Holland (owners RC Alcock & FC Holland)

### Reference:

1. whowaswho. <http://www.ukphilately.org.uk>