

POSTAGE TO BE PAID HANDSTRUCK MARKS

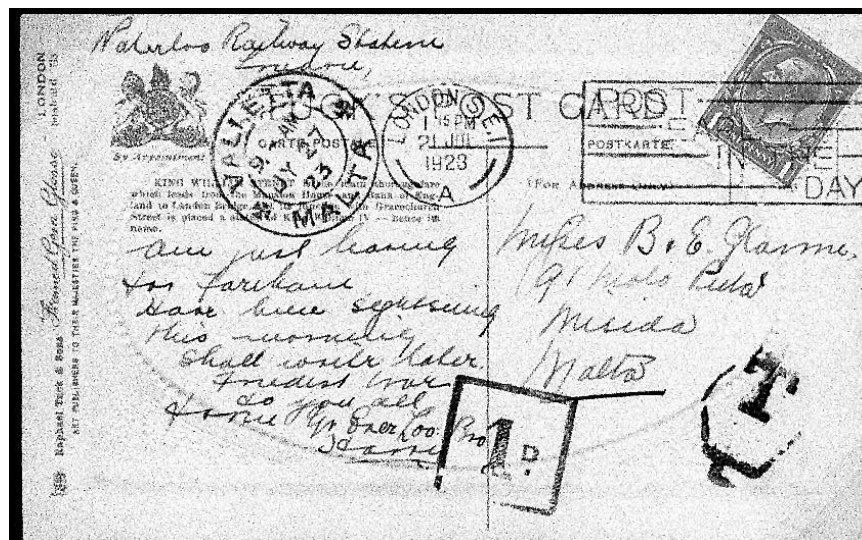
By John Birkett Allan

John was one of the exhibitors at our Market Marborough weekend and kindly sent me scans of part of his display so that Members who could not attend can see what they missed—Editor

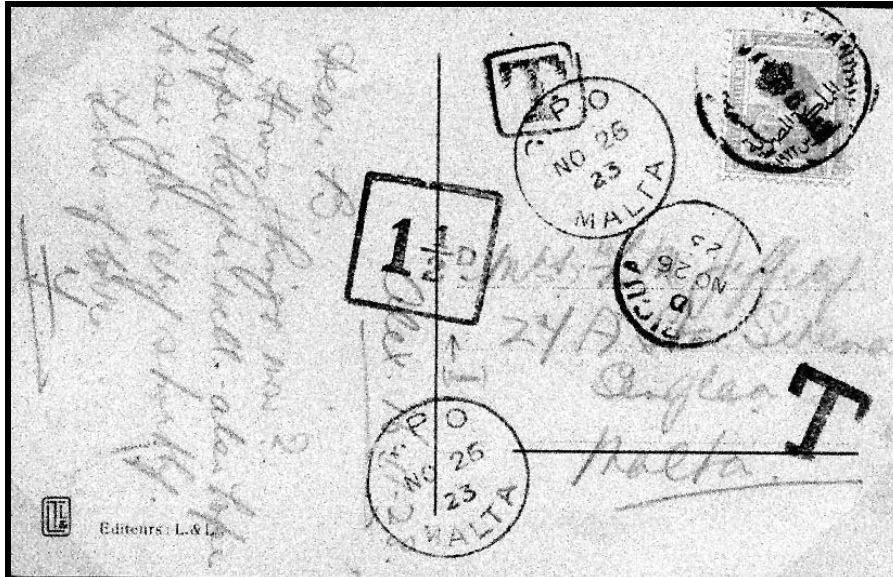
During the 1860s there came into use the first handstamps giving the amount to be paid we showed the first series with the amount in type script in a circle :- 4d; 5d; 6d; 8d; 9d; 1/- and 1/4. In the last Newsletter. Now we have the ones in a Square introduced just prior to the introduction of the Postage Due Adhesives and were also used to raise charges due to insufficient postage on incoming mail.



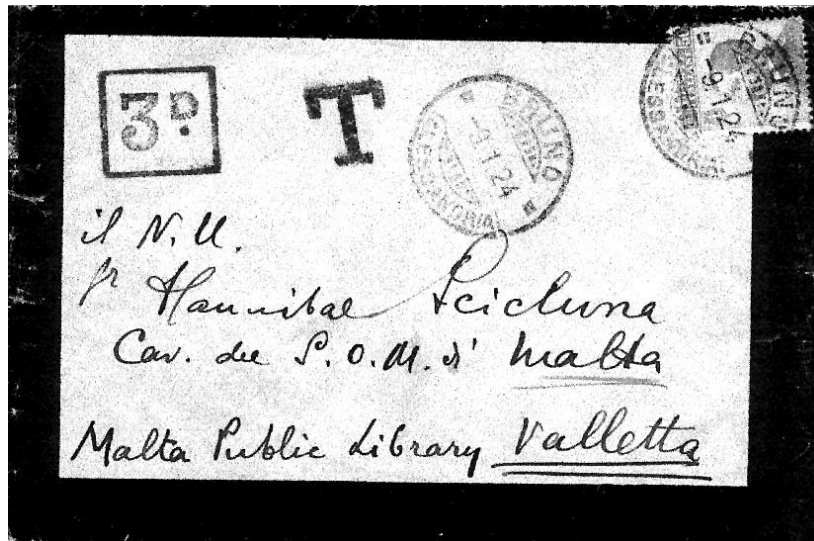
1st October 1924 postcard from TURIN to VALLETTA franked by pair Italy 20 cent blue.
Postage due raised by handstruck ½D in Square



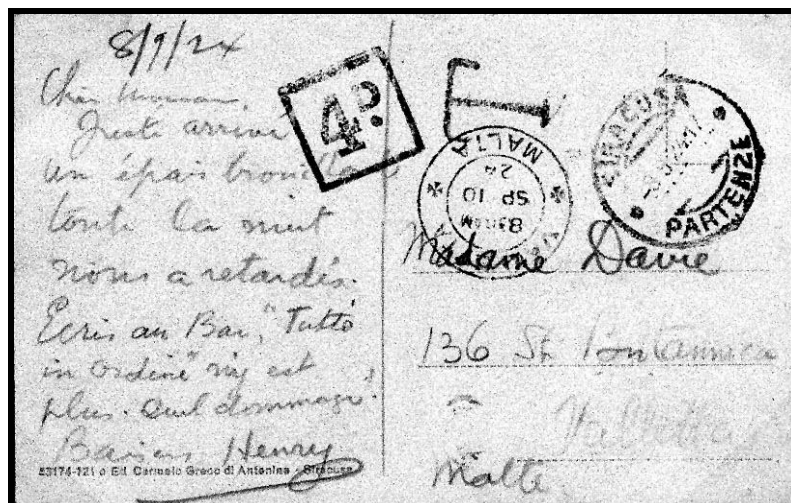
21st July 1923 postcard from LONDON to MISIDA franked by GB 1d red
Postage due raised by handstruck 1D in a Square



November 1923 postcard from ALEXANDRIA to SENGLA franked by Egypt 5 mills rose.
Postage due raised by handstruck 1½D in Square



9th January 1924 mourning envelope from BRUNO, Alexandria to Hannibal Sciciuna, Malta Public Library, VALLETTA franked by Italy 50 cents mauve.
On reverse, VALLETTA arrival datestamp 14th January 1924
Postage due raised by handstruck 3D in Square.



8th September 1924 postcard from SIRACUSA to VALLETTA posted without stamps.
Postage due raised by handstruck 4D in Square.