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Introduction:

In January 1774 Cook wrote in his journal:

"not only farther than any other man has been before me, but as far as I think it is possible for man to go".

James Cook is widely heralded as one of the greatest maritime explorers and certainly the greatest Pacific explorer of all time. Cook made three voyages between 1768 and 1779.

The aim of the exhibit is to follow in Cook's wake, illustrated by a wide range of postal items.

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Centre inverted variety. Cook Islands 1932. Rare. A sheet of 80 was sold at the Rarotonga post office but uncertain how many stamps have survived. Certificate.

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Early years in Yorkshire 1.1.



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At the age of 15 he moved to Staithes and later

headed for Whitby which was a thriving town by the sea.

To the north lay the **Newcastle** upon Tyne coal mines and London was in constant need for coal.



The story of the early life of James Cook is set in a quiet corner in Northern England. He was born on October 28 1728 at Marton.



Registered cover from Marton (NZ) to Taumarunui, tied by Marton cds 29 July 1933, back-stamped arrival cds Taumarunui 31 July 1933. Redirected to Hamilton 7 Aug 1933, unclaimed. Postage 4d: letter rate 1d + 3d registration fee (1 June 1932 - 30 Sept 1939). Marton in New Zealand was named in 1869 to honour Cook's birthplace.



Local publicity slogan. In use 10 Jan to 9 Dec 1969.

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Only two examples of this advert recorded to date.

1.2. North America.

The Siege of Quebec 1759 1.2.1.



Cook entered the Royal Navy in 1755 for reasons of his own. In 1758 he was part of a British fleet capturing Fort Louisbourg from the French. Fort Louisborg was situated close to the mouth of the St. Lawrence River and important for controlling Canada.

In Cook's days a **citadelle** guarded Quebec which was the largest city by the St. Lawrence River.



Cook took part in the Siege of Quebec that lasted all summer of 1759.



Jacques Cartier (1491-1557) discovered the St. Lawrence River in 1534 and Quebec was founded 1608 by the French explorer Samuel de Champlain (c1570-1635).





Engraver's die proof, signed by J. Combet. Final stage proof from the hardened die before acceptance by the Postal Administration. 29 mm official seal inscribed Imprimerie des Timbres-Poste - France. Printed in 5 (or 6) colours, 3 to 8 in each colour with a total of up to 28.

1.2.2. Newfoundland



After the war France retained the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon. Cook made a speedy survey and produced an accurate map...

.before the islands were being turned over to the French Governor Francois-Gabriel d'Dangeac in 1763.





His next job was to map Newfoundland which was lying off the coast of Canada and was the base for fishing cod and hunting seals at the rich Grand Banks.

Cook undertook a detailed survey of the island and produced a very accurate map.





Part of Cook's map.





A voyage to observe the Transit of Venus 2.

2.1. The Transit of Venus was the primary aim of..



Original artwork, acrylic on art paper. Artist F.L.Lamosas. Unsigned, unique. For part of the 1981 Burundi 350th Death Anniversary of Johannes Kepler issue. Ex Fournier archives.

Transits of Venus occurs in sequences of 8 - 1211/2 - 8 - 1051/2 years. The latest Transit was in 1761 so the one in 1769 would be the last opportunity for many years. Is was important to get observations from as many different and as widely separated locations as possible. The Hungarian astronomer Maximilian Hell (1720-92) travelled to northern Norway and Cook was selected to go to the South Seas.

2.2. .Cook's first voyage of discovery in..



.Tahiti was chosen for observing the Transit.



On August 25th 1768 James Cook departed **Plymouth** on his First Voyage of Discovery.



In 1768 **Samuel Wallis** (1728-95) returned from a voyage around the world where he had visited Tahiti. He spoke well of the island and the islanders and..









Observing the Transit of Venus was the primary aim of Cook's first voyage.

.and **Edmund Halley** (1656-1712), described in 1691 how transits could be used to compute the distance from the Earth to the Sun.

as issued.

Johannes Kepler (1571-1630) was the first to predict a transit of Venus..





Aerogramme (reverse). Issued to commemorate the British voyage of the ENDEAVOUR REPLICA 1997. The dashed line shows the journey of James Cook 1768-71.

2.2.1. The ENDEAVOUR Bark.

1768". Part of painting attributed to T. Luny.







A Whitby collier (a ship for transporting coal in the North Sea trade) was selected for the voyage. It was the EARL of PEMBROKE and it was re-named HM Bark ENDEAVOUR. The ENDEAVOUR had three masts and carried square sails on all masts.



The ENDEAVOUR was ideal for the voyage ahead. It was a broad, flat bottomed ship with shallow draft and could sail close to shore for mapping and easily beached for repair.



"View of the Endeavour River where the ship was laid ashore for repair". Painting by Parkinson.

The ENDEAVOUR carried an open oared pinnace rowed by pairs of men sitting side-by-side.



The stern was decorated with carvings. She had four stern windows, the middle window was a dummy.

Cook was directed to carry cork jackets (life-jackets).









Proofs by the Format Process



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Master proof cut to stamp size and affixed to printer's presentation card. Captain Cook's discovery of Hawaii issue. Maldives 1978. 2 or 3 are thought to exist.

Mrs. J. D. Mile 220 A Autrine th montel Fancy cancel. New York City segmented cork cancels. Cover from New York to Montreal, Canada. Backstamped arrival cds Montreal Sept 9 1863. Postage 10c = cross-border cover rate in 1863.

2.2.2. The naturalist Joseph Banks..



.the assistant naturalist Daniel Solander..

2.2.3.



Meter stamp, Piteå Municipality, Sweden. D3.2. Francotyp A9000 (MV) (based on the widely spaced date figures). Solander and rhabdothamnus solandri (similar to the 1969 New Zealand issue - below).



2.2.4. .the astronomer Green and Parkinson the artist.





Parkinsons primary role was to draw natural history specimens but he also drew landscapes and portraits.



"Boat house at Raiatea"



"Portrait of a New Zealand Man"



"The Head of a Chief of New Zealand, the face curiously tattaowd, or mark'd according to their Manner" Engraving by T.Chambers after Parkinson.



"Volatinia jacarina "and Parkinson self-portrait.



"A native of Otaheite, in the Dress of His Country"



"A woman & a Boy, Natives of Otaheite"











Definitive proofs + one stamp as issued. Colour reproductions of artist's work. Sent to the Australian Stamp Advisory Board members for their approval. 6 copies produced. Proofs in 33c face value but 4 stamps issued in other values as indicated. 1986 Bicentenary of Cook's voyage to New Holland issue. Drawings of plants collected during the voyage, a self-portrait by Parkinson and a portrait of Joseph Banks.



2.3. Towards Tahiti and a rendezvous with Venus.

The beginning of an epic journey towards.. 2.3.1.



Cook made the first stop at Madeira for provisioning. Live bullocks and wine were taken on board for the onward voyage towards Brazil in South America.

Rio de Janeiro..







.and after having rounded Cape Horn ..



.he reached Tahiti discovered by Wallis in 1767.



2.3.2. .Tahiti for..





Cook selected Matavai Bay as a suitable anchorage to observe the of the bay **Point Venus.**



Final artwork, watercolour on cardboard. Unsigned, unique. Ex Fournier archives. Based on Parkinson's painting: "Matavai Bay Tahiti from One Tree Hill, showing the ENDEAVOUR at anchor, and Fort Venus".

2.3.3. .a rendezvous with Venus



At **Point Venus** James Cook and Charles Green observed the Transit of Venus using a reflecting telescope placed on a barrel for support..



CAPTAIN COOK'S 80 ER HELENA

.and the transit was timed using a pendulum clock. Shown here inside a portable observatory.

The result was published in Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society, 1771



Drawing of the observations published - plus a photograph of the 2004 transit.





colour. Shows wandering albatross over the island of Moorea.



As a back-up plan in case of bad weather Cook sent a party to the neighbouring island of Moorea...

.and he also visited Bora-Bora.



Original artwork in pencil on art paper. Signed by the artist Eileen Mayo. Probably unique. "Study for Captain Cook's head". New Zealand bicentenary issue 1969.



as issued in imperforated pair with slight colour-shift. One sheet of 100 known to exist.

Below normal stamp for comparison.







2.3.3. .a rendezvous with Venus (cont).



Sepia inspection die proof. Prepared from the unhardened die before final acceptance. 3-5 ex printed. 3 copies went to the postal authorities and only 1 or 2 appeared on the philatelic market.

> Cook collected ethnographic items such as a full mourners dress and instruments for tattoing which was highly developed in the islands.



Engravings from Hawkesworth's account of Cook's First Voyage (1773). Hatchet and tatooing instruments.





Tupaia was a local priest and navigator, and was taken on board for the voyage ahead searching for the Unknown Continent. Tupaia proved valuable to Cook as an interpreter and mediator.

Cook also took the boy Taiata with him, and he was involved in the incident occasioning Cook to name Cape Kidnappers in New Zealand (p31).

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After the long voyage

from England the sailors

enjoyed the warm climate and what the islands had to offer.

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Trial colour plate proof with colour codes in pencil.

The ENDEAVOUR and a full mourners dress from a painting by an unknown artist. The opinion is now that it was drawn/painted by **Tupaia**.



"The Lad Taiyota of His Country' by Parkinson

3. Search for the Southern Continent.

3.1. Postulated by Ptolemy and others but..

ALFRED WEGENER 1880 1930 S4 POPLIK OSTERREICH RIEFMARY VATURHIST, MI 1150 WIEN 31.10.1980

After the successful visit to Tahiti Cook proceeded south in search of the fabled Southern Continent that had puzzled scientists and cartographers for centuries.

India, Antarctica and Australia.



in his Mappa Mundi.



Postal stationery; postal card. Vatican City 1991. World Map c1480 featuring Terra Australis Incognita (based on Ptolemy).



According to the **Continental Drift theory by Wegener** (1880-1930) Pangaea (left) was a solitary megacontinent in an ocean covering more than two-thirds of the Earth. Some time around 260 million years ago rifts opened creating Laurasia to the north and Gondwana, a superkontinent to the south. Gondwana would break apart to become South America, Africa,

50 millions years ago Antarctica and Australia was still attached.

3.2.1. Henry the Navigator and his navigators..



.rounded the southern tip of Africa..

3.2.2.



3.2.3. .in caravels..

3.2.4. .finding a sea route to India.





They developed from barques (barca) used on rivers and in coastal waters.





Imperf plate proof on yellow thin paper. Portugal 1943.

Larger caravels had square-rigged foremast and the rear masts bearing triangular sails.

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Vasco da Gama (1460-1524) left Lisbon in 1497 with a fleet of 4 ships hoping to find a Sea Route to India. In 1498 he reached Calicut.

Postal stationery; postal card. Portugal 1957.

3.2.5. Magellan and the Strait..





Ferdinand Magellan (1480-1521) commanded a fleet of ships in search of a western route to the Far East. He sailed in VICTORIA, and in late 1520 he found a narrow strait (Strait of Magellan) separating South America from a land mass to the south.

He was convinced that the land to the south was the **Terra Australis** (Southern Land) but did not explore it any further.



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MAGELLAN

.passed by Francis Drake. 3.2.6.



Francis Drake (c1540-96) passed the Strait of Magellan in 1578 and was forced well to the south in a storm. From the huge swells and lack of land he deduced that no large landmass could exist in these waters. The passage between Tierra del Fuego and Antarctica is named Drake Passage (Mar de Drake).





3.2.7. Australia and New Zealand discovered.



Map by Abraham Ortelius, Antwerp 1581.



Abel Tasman (1603-59) sailed in 1642 along the southern coast of the newly discovered land in HEEMSKERCK. He landed and named it Van Diemen's Land but did not explore it any further. He never realized he had visited an island which was later named Tasmania.

In 1644 Tasman coined the name Niuew Holland (New Holland) to the new continent.



the "continent" by a European was the Dutch navigator Willem Janszoon

> in 1616 the western coast of what was thought to be the Southern Continent.



Experimental separations Perf 12 by Walch & Sons. Ex "Besancon"(II).



Aerogramme. Cocos (Keeling) Islands 1984.



Loose (ship) letter to Chicago, USA. Posted at sea between Macassar (Indonesia) and Sydney Feb 12 1930. Tied by (faint) SS Niuew Holland cancel and Brisbane cds Feb 20 1930. SS Nieuw Holland was a KPM (Koninklijke Paketvaart Mij) fraight- and passenger ship operating a regular service between Malaya and Australia from 1928 until the outbreak of WW2.

Tasman continued to the north-east and discovered a huge land mass which he was convinced was part of the Great Southern Continent. He landed on the western side but due to hostile natives he left without further exploration. He had discovered New Zealand.





According to Maori tradition Kupe discovered New Zealand over 1000 years ago but he returned to his homeland Hawaiki which is thought to be Raiatea in the Society Islands. About A.D. 1350 a fleet of large, ocean-going canoes arrived and settled the country.





Carte Pe IT WHE HDI LAND dland blut Adams Street U.S

Plate proof with approval signature and date. 1940 Centennial issue.

4.1. New Zealand circumnavigated..

Cook headed south and soon he rediscovered the land that no Europeans had visited for the past 127 years.

Cook landed in 1769 but the reception by the Mãori was not quite as amicable as illustrated on the 3d stamp of the 1906 Christchurch Exhibition issue shown below.







Cook was to conduct a thorough survey in the ensuing months, and he discovered that it was not the Southern Continent but two large islands separated by a strait.



Unadopted essay in black ink on thin card by L.C.Mitchell for the proposed 2¹/₂d stamp of the New Zealand 1940 Centennial issue. Features ENDEAVOUR, Cook's map of New Zealand and James Cook.

4.1.1. A thorough survey conducted



Die proof on wowe paper. Rare. Flaw in rigging, retouched out in all three plates. Stamps from plate 1 and plate 3 shown right.

To the south of Poverty Bay a large bay was named Hawke's Bay in honour of Sir Edward Hawke (1705-81), Royal Navy admiral.





Cook landed in a large bay which he named Poverty Bay "because it afforded us no one thing we wanted" (Cook).

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Aerogramme (reverse). Used to Germany. Features Hawke Bay.

Piercy Island was named after rear admiral Piercy Brett (1709-81).





Cook bestowed many names during his circumnavigation: Cape Kidnappers (a Mãori incident) and Endeavour Inlet (anchoring place).

Pete's Post is a New Zealand postal delivery company created in June 1998 under the deregulation legislation (see also p33).



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Copy of front

Cook sailed across a wide bay without landing but observed that it was well populated and looked fertile. He called it Bay of Plenty. White Island was named and a dormant vulcano on shore got the name Mount Edgecumbe.



27 June 1932 and Edgecumbe cds 28 June 1932.



Cook stayed 11 days in a large bay to observe the transit of Mercury, and hence named it Mercury Bay. Cooks Beach is located in Mercury Bay near





Parcel fee label. Valid for parcels carried over Road 309 from Coromandel to Whitianga. Design based on a watercolour "Captain Cook Landing in New Zealand" by Temple, 1869.

4.1.1. A thorough survey conducted (cont)

And Charles Roberts Panmure Whangapara July 12th of ... e address mc Charles Roberts

Pigeongram. The Great Barrier Pigeongram Service 1904. Message sent from Wangapara to Panmure in Auckland (North Island); a distance of about 65 miles. In 1908 telegraphic communications were installed and so the pigeongram service was discontinued.

Barrier Isles (Little and Great Barrier Islands) was named by Cook.





Cook named a peaked mountain Mount Egmont in honour of John Perceval (1711-70), 2nd Earl of Egmont.

Aoraki/Mount Cook. The English name was in 1851 given in honour of James Cook. Cook did not sight Mount Cook



as issued.



Artist proposed proof by Archer Mount Cook

TUI Tui 1 MY 35 manuscript cancel 22/01/09 3 days after opening of post office. Only recorded example Tui cds, first day of usage. (certificate). Only 3 recorded examples.



Pete's Post started in June 1998 for the delivery of mail between New Plymouth and Bell Block. The 1999 stamp feature the politician Len Jury and his wife, in the background Sugar Loafs which was named by Cook 13th Jan 1770.



Marton on the North Island was named in 1869 to honour Cook's birthplace.

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The botanists discovered a new bird species. Tui is the Mãori name for the prosthemadera novaeseelandiae, an endemic bird of the honeyeater family.



Tui was a railway construction camp for the Nelson railway line between Nelson and Glenhope. The railway was in operation between 1876 and 1955. The post office in Tui opened Jan 19 1909 and closed Sept 30 1947.

Cook circumnavigated the two large islands in 6 months and not having found the elusive continent in these waters he continued west..

The east coast of Australia charted 4.2.

Landing at Botany Bay 4.2.1.



.and discovered the east coast of Australia in April 1770. The headland first sighted by his second-in-command Zachary Hicks (1739?-71) was named Point Hicks.



Cook landed at the entrance of a large bay which was named Stingrays Harbour. Later it was re-named Botany Bay because of the many new plants collected. Botany Bay is located a few miles south of present day Sydney.



Chromalin proof on thick card by Walsall Security Printer for two stamp of the Tonga 1988 Australia Bicentenary sheet. Only 4 or 5 were printed. Shows log-book entry naming Botany Bay.



used 1924.

1.10.1923 - 3.8.1930.

Domestic letter card rate was 1¹/₂d



4.2.2. Along the coast





Cook mapped the east coast of Australia. On the painting by Nathaniel Dance (below) he is holding his chart of Australia.





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Returning home via Torres Strait. 4.3.

4.2.3. Disaster struck and possession taken.



Suddenly the ENDEAVOUR struck a reef but could be beached for repair.

Left: "A view of the Endeavour River, where the ship was laid on shore, in order to repair the damage which she received on the rock". Based on a lost drawing by Parkinson.





Dillenia alata (Parkinson)

A settlement began in 1873 near the Endeavour River. It was named Cooks-town but later changed to Cooktown.

It took weeks to repair the ship, and Joseph Banks took the opportunity to explore the inland and collect plants.

Cook took possession of the entire east coast and named it New South Wales.





Colour trial plate proof.

Since 1901 New South Wales a state in south eastern Australia.





ORFOLK ISLAND

Torres Strait.

4.3.1.

Luis de Torres (c1565-1607) captained the SAN PEDRO in an expedition to find the Southern Continent. In 1606 he sailed along the southern coast of New Guinea proving it to be an island and not part of a continent.



Map by de Eredia, early 17th century.





P.P.S. COVER SERVICE P.O. Box 750, Madang Papua New Guinea



The documents from Torres's voyage lay hidden in Spanish archives for many years, and the existence of a strait between New Guinea and Australia was still debated in the 18th century.

Cook decided to verify it by rounding the northern tip of Australia sailing between Australia and New Guinea.



Cover from Brisbane to London endorsed "via Torres Straits & Brindisi". Tied by Brisbane cds 9 Sep 1876 and Q.L.-in-Rays cancel. Arrival cancel London Nov 6 1876. Postage 9d which was the single letter rate (in force 27 Dec 1870 to early 1881). Ex Beston.



A colour trial plate proof in black was made to check for imperfections and colour trial plate proofs in other colours to find the right colour.

Brown was selected.

The stamp was issued in different shades of brown.





Imperf plate proof.



Cover from Cooktown to Cairns, QLD. Tied by Cooktown cds 28 Oct 1935. Postage 5d. Air-mail rate within Australia 4.8.1930 - 9.12.1941: 5d up to 1/2 oz.

To mark the centennial of New South Wales as a colony a stamp was issued featuring Cook based on a



A second voyage in the southern hemisphere 5.

5.1 In the RESOLUTION and ADVENTURE.

On his first voyage Cook had disproved the existence of the Unknown Continent in high latitudes of the southern Pacific Ocean but had proved himself a Great Navigator.

Cook was selected to command the second voyage to circumnavigate the Globe to locate and chart the continent were it found to exist.



William Hodges (1744-97) was appointed to the RESOLUTION as a landscape painter.





Cook chose a similar but larger vessel for the voyage ahead. It was named H.M.S. RESOLUTION. For safety reasons the ADVENTURE was selected as her consort.



"RESOLUTION and ADVENTURE at anchor in Matavai Bay, Tahiti". After a painting by William Hodges.

Johann Reinhold Forster (1729-98)

and his son Johann Georg Adam Forster (1754-94)

were appointed naturalists on the voyage.

They were responsable for collecting specimens and making observations of natural history of islands visited.



Pictorial postmark used in Ilawa (Poland) to commemorate the 230th Anniversary of Cook's second voyage. IJohann Reinhold Forster (left) and Georg Forster (right). The Polish connection is that Johann Reinhold Forster was born in Tczew, not far from Ilawa.



Original artwork, acrylic and collage (frame) on card. Artist Javier. Unsigned. Unique. The design similar to several paintings by William Hodges. Historic South Pacific Vessels issue, Cook Islands 1973. Ex Fournier archive.

5.1.1. Navigation



NAVIGARE means "to sail" (in Latin) and "to navigate" (in Italian).

Navigation describe the ability to determine a ships position on the face of the Earth, and to steer the ship from Point A to Point B.

A compass is a device that indicates direction, and was an important instrument for navigation.

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Entire from Kjøbenhavn to Holsted pr. Ribe, Denmark. Postage 2 x 4 RBS red-brown Thiele print II. Tied by numeral cancellation "1" (Copenhagen) and compass cancel (type IIa-1) 29 Aug 1853. Domestic letter rate for 2nd weight-class (2 lod = 31 gram) was 8 RBS, in force 1.4.1851 to 31.3.1865.





The ends of a magnetized needle points toward the magnetic north (and magnetic south).

The compass needle was mounted and placed in the middle of a card that showed direction, eventually all 32 nautical directions.



Geographical position on the face of the Earth is given from a "grid" of

latitudes (parallels): lines parallel to the Equator encircling the Globe north or south of the Equator.

and

longitudes (meridians): equidistant lines passing from the North Pole to the South Pole east or west of a chosen zero-meridian.







The Chinese may have **developed a compass** as early as the 11th or 12 century.

Position is given in degrees N(orth) or S(outh) of the Equator and W(est) or E(ast) of Greenwich, London.



USS Constitution is the world's oldest naval vessel still afloat. Launched in 1797 and since 1907 a museum ship. In 1934 she completed a three-year tour of the United States visiting 90 ports.

International reply coupon, Rome type II. Used 2nd Oct 1907; the second official day of use for IRCs. Postmarked Wetherby Terrace Earls Court Rd (London). The coupon has been postmarked in the wrong place; it may have been the first one the Post Office clerk had seen.

5.1.1. Navigation (cont)

Finding latitude had been possible for centuries by measuring the Sun's altitude or height of the Pole Star (northern hemisphere) or of the Southern Cross (southern hemisphere) at night.



Instruments for angular measurements of the height of a celestial body evolved from the simple kamal to the mariner's astrolabe..





.and later to a **backstaff** which was used with the observer's back to the Sun (hence the name) and thereby eliminating the risk of damage to the eye by looking at the sun directly.

> Longitude is the position east or west of a politically chosen meridian passing from the North Pole to the South Pole. Any given meridian could have been selected..





.but since 1884 the Greenwich meridian (London) has been the "zero-longitude".



Hipparchos (c190-120 BC) in ancient Greece realized that finding difference of longitude would be possible if the same celestial event was observed (and local time measured) in each of two places simultaneously.

This means that if you know the local time at a place of known longitude you just have to measure local time at the new place. The difference in time translates to the difference in longitude, i.e. 1 hour equals 15[°] of longitude because the Earth rotates 360[°] in 24 hours.



Finding local time is by determining the precise moment the Sun is at its highest, which occurs when it crosses the observer's meridian at Noon.

The pendulum clock (slingerklok in Dutch), invented by Christiaan Huygens (1629-95) in 1658, worked fairly well on land but was useless at sea.







The Speaking Clock is an electro-mechanical device which announces the time correct to one-tenth of a second. All you had to do was to call the Post Office Speaking Clock, any time of day and night.

This service was not available in the 18th century but in London the self-taught clockmaker John Harrison (1693-1776) worked on developing a maritime time-keeper that turned out to be nearly as accurate (more on page 46).







Prephilatelic entire to Cheapside. Manuscript "2" and (faint) Broad St BY mark. Reverse red time marking 12 NOON 12 20 MY 1823.

5.1.2. Cook as navigator



Cook brought some of the most modern navigational instruments on the voyage such as a large quadrant, a sextant by Jesse Ramsden and reflecting telescopes.

A second aim of the voyage was to test a maritime timekeeper made by John Harrison in determining longitude. His first timekeeper, H1, weighted seventy-five pounds and measured nearly 4 feet in every dimension. In 1736 it was tested aboard the CENTURION on a voyage to Lisbon.



ROSS DEPEND

The H1 performed well but Harrison eventually developed a smaller and more handy timekeeper, H4, in the size of a pocket watch. This was tested by Cook, and it turned out to be a very accurate maritime chronometer.

The Copley Medal is the premier scientific award of the Royal Society given for outstanding achievements in research in any field of science. John Harrison was the medallist in 1749.



Cook was an excellent surveyor and mapmaker, and he draw accurate maps like this one of New Zealand. One major mistake was Banks Island (named after Banks) which is not an island but a peninsula (red arrow).

Preliminary sketch in pencil for "Cook with sextant", Ross Dependency 1995. Antarctic Explorers issue. Unsigned. Acquired from the archives of the designer Geoff Fuller. Total size $210 \times 297 \text{ mm}(A4) + as$ issued.





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5.1.3. The battle against scurvy.



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PAN PAN COVA

Scurvy is a potentially deadly disease caused by lack of vitamin C. The causative agent, ascorbic acid, was discovered in 1927 by the Hungarian biochemist Albert Szent-Györgyi (1893-1986).



MAGYAR POSTA

Falkland Islands

In the Age of Sail scurvy was the "big killer" on long ocean voyages but Cook did not loose a single man to scurvy on his voyages. It was most likely the effect of constantly looking for fresh fruit, especially citrus and greens.

Sauerkraut which is fermented cabbage was brought from England.

Kerguelen cabbage (pringlea antiscorbutica)

Scurvy-grass sorrel (oxalis enneaphylla).



Archive card from Francotyp, the franking machine manufacturer in Berlin, Germany. Each meter had a card containing technical details and a strike of the three parts of the meter stamp (frank, slogan and town/ date stamp) from the date of delivery and of subsequent changes. This card is from the company Sand in Neuss, Germany.

- 5.2. Cook reached Antarctic waters.
- 5.2.1. Circumnavigating the elusive continent



He circumnavigated the Antarctic continent in the course of three consecutive Antarctic summers (so far south the sailing season was short in the 18th century).



In the intervening seasons several forays were made in the South Seas.



Cook and RESOLUTION with route of second voyage.

The Aurora Australis was described for the first time.



James Cook departed England July 1772 in search of the southern continent. He reached the high southern latitudes and was the first to cross the Antarctic Circle on Jan 17th 1773.



HARRISON AND SONS LIMITED 38 Warren Street, London, W.1. PHOTOGRAVURE AND LITHOGRAPHIC STAMP SPECIALISTS



Master proof in final design affixed to printer's presentation card. Only 5 or 6 produced. Norfolk Island 1973.



5.3.1. Easter Island..



Booklet with contents. United Nations (Vienna) 2007.

Cook retreated to warmer latitudes and decided to visit an island discovered by Jacob Roggeveen (1659-1729) on Easter Sunday 1722. Roggeveen named it **Easter Island** and the island is one of the most remote islands in the world.





Cook was fascinated by the number of large statues lying on the ground or standing on platforms.

Hodges painted a group of statues.



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"A View of the Monuments of Easter Island (Rapanui)" after a painting by Hodges.







Cook made another discovery in the South Seas. It turned out to be the sixth-largest island in the South Pacific.

Several endemic plants and birds was found.



Captaincookia margaretae

is named after Cook.





VELLE-CALEDON

New Caledonian Whistler

New Caledonian Imperial Pigeon





Cook stayed for only 4 days but still produced

a very accurate map of Easter Island.













Trial colour plate proof..



5.3.3. .Niue..



On June 21st 1774 a small island was sighted, and the following day Cook anchored off Opahi Point.

Cook landed but was attacked by hostile natives. The island discovered was present-day Niue Island. The name comes from **niu** (coconut tree) and e (behold).







Essay, in pencil on tracing paper by the artist James Berry for the 1950 Niue pictorial issue. HMS Resolution at Opahi Point on June 20 1774. Error: should have been June 22nd. Above as issued.

Centre vignette plate proof.



.New Hebrides.. 5.3.4.



be a group of islands and not the continent. Cook named the islands New Hebrides. He sailed past most of the islands but landed on the eastern side of Malekula.





"The landing at Erramanga" William Hodges, c1776

In the distance Cook saw an **active vulcano** and steered for the island. It was **Tanna** and the landing place was named Port Resolution after his ship.

..and Norfolk Island. 5.3.5.

Cook proceeded south and discovered a small island on 10 October 1774. It got the name Isle Norfolk after the Dutchess of Norfolk.



in the South Atlantic Ocean on the way home. 5.4.

5.4.1. South Georgia, a barren island



Cook decided to head for home. He visited Tierra del Fuego and sailed east when a large landmass was sighted but turned out to be an uninhabited island.

Cook sailed along the eastern part of the island and anchored in a large bay which he named Possession Bay.



"Possession Bay in the Island of South Georgia" After a painting by Hodges.





Cook named it Isle of Georgia in honour of King George III of England (1738-1820, r1760-1820). Later the name was changed to Southern Georgia and yet again to present-day South Georgia. It was a cold and barren island.





In Cook's days the South Atlantic Ocean was largely unknown territory and he hoped once and for all to confirm or deny the existence of the Southern Continent in these waters.

5.4.2. Desolate islands and the way home.

Cook set an easterly course and encountered some "rocks" that was named Clerke's Rocks after Charles Clerke (1743-79), RESOLUTION's second lieutenant.



The southernmost part, in fact three islands, was called Southern Thule "because it is the most southern land that have yet been descovered" (Cook)

One of the islands was Cook Island.

.and made a short stop at St. Helena.



islands was seen and named South Sandwich Islands.

A few days later a group of vulcanic



ORGIA

Farther to the north Ascension provided a great number of turtles

to refresh the crew before heading

for England.

KODOKON

Finally convinced that the Continent did not

exist in the southern Atlantic Ocean

Cook headed for home...



He paid a visit to Governor John Skottowe (1725-86). Cook's father had been employed by Skottowe's father in Yorkshire.





Searching for the Northwest Passage 6.

6.1. The Northwest Passage..







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6.1.2. away from the influence of Spain and Portugal...





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In 1478 Christopher Columbus (1451-1506) approached the Spanish Crown to present his idea of finding a western sea route to the riches of the Far East, and especially Queen Isabella I of Castile (1451-1504) was interested.

Columbus was given command of the 3 vessels SANTA MARIA, NIÑA and PINTA. He left Spain in 1492 and discovered not the western sea route to the Far East but the New World (America).

Upon his return the Spanish Crown took steps to ensure that Spain be given monopoly over future transatlantic explorations. The Spanish born Pope Alexander VI (1431-1503) laid down a line of demarcation from pole to pole 100 leagues west of the Cape Verde Islands in the Atlantic Ocean. Spain was given sole rights to all newly discovered land west of that line and Portugal equal rights to the east of said line.







Postal stationery; postal card. Portugal 1957.

The Portuguese were dissatisfied and by the Treaty of Tordesillas in 1494 the line of demarcation was shifted 270 leagues farther to the west giving more room for Portuguese explorations.

.that so many had looked for. 6.1.3.



found the strait between

Greenland and Baffin Island

in John Da

Plate proof.





Postal stationery; reply card. Upfranked use from Frobisher Bay, Canada to Germany. Postage 20 pfg. Card rate to Canada was 20 pfg from 1.9.1948 to 31.3.1965.



This prompted an interest in finding the Northwest Passage, a fabled short-cut to the riches of the Orient. In England King Henry VII (1457-1509) sponsored John Cabot (1450-99?) to look for the Passage. In MATTHEW he made landfall in Newfoundland 1497.



Stitched booklet with copy of contents. GB 1972.

80 Postkar (Antwortkarte OCT 15 1962 Herrn N.W.T. Gerd Alles (5131) <u>Prummern</u> n Grilin Kirigen Wistern Gebäudeteil, Stockwerk oder Postfachnummer Bil Untermietern auch Name des Vermieters

The Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen (1872-1920) traversed the Passage in 1903-06.



6.2.1. The vessels...

6.2.2. .and some crew members





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Cover to Oklahoma, tied by Portlock 4f-bar Type 3 cancel. Postage 3c. Domestic letter rate was 3c (in force 6 Jul 1932 to 31 Jul 1958). Portlock, Alaska, a cannery settlement for salmon, was named in honour of Nathaniel Portlock. The settlement was active in the early and middle 20th century. A US post office opened in 1921 and closed in 1950. Portlock is now a ghost town.

6.3. A French discovery

Kerguelen Island

6.3.1.

William Bligh and the Mutiny on Bounty 6.2.3.

William Bligh (1754-1817) sailed on the RESOLUTION as master. He later became famous as commander of the **breadfruit** voyage that ended in the Mutiny on BOUNTY in 1789.



Booklet (reverse) with copy of contents. St. Helena 1988.



Fletcher Christian (1764-93) was second-incommand on the HMS BOUNTY. After leaving Tahiti a quarrel between Bligh and Christian resulted in a mutiny. Bligh and 18 loyalists were cast adrift in the ship's open launch, and after an almost 6000 km long voyage Bligh reached safety.



- Breadfruit was seen as a potential food source for slaves on the plantations in the West Indies, and the idea was to import plants from Tahiti where they had been found on Cook's first voyage.
- The breadfruit trees had to be seeded and grown into **saplings** in order to survive the long journey.





Aerogramme. Norfolk Island 1989.



de Kerguelen-Tremarec (1734-97) discovered in February 1772 a remote island which was named Kerguelen Island.

Kerguelen never landed himself but left it to his second-in-command Aleno de Sainte-Aloüarn (1738-72) to hoist the flag.







Cook was in Cape Town for two weeks, and after having rounded the southern tip of Africa he headed for a recent French discovery in the southern Indian Ocean.

6.3.1. Kerguelen Island (cont)





On December 25th 1776 Cook anchored in a large bay which he named Christmas Harbour. Cook wrote in his Journal:



"and to make it more remarkable its south point terminates in a high rock which is perforated quite through so as to appear like the arch of a bridge".

It was the Arched Rock. When James Clark Ross (1800-62) in 1840 visited the island in HMS TERROR the arch was intact but has since then fallen in.



as issued.

1776 Voyage de Cook «L'endroit le plus remarquable, la pointe sud, est terminé par un très haut rocher perforé, de sorte qu'il essemble à l'arche d'un pont.» I. COOK L'Arche des Kerguelen

Familiar islands in the South Seas. 6.4.

6.4.1. Cook Islands



Cook returned to the central Pacific Ocean to a group of islands visited on the second voyage. Cook had named these islands Hervey Islands in honour of Augustus John Hervey (1724-79), Lord of the Admiralty.

In 1929 a new issue was suggested for the Cook Islands (and a different set for Niue) but in 1930 two separate sets with same design was approved but with inscriptions "Cook Islands" and "Niue Cook Islands" respectively. Mr L.C.Mitchell of Wellington, New Zealand was asked to draw up sketches for the 7 denominations. The set was issued on March 16th 1932, printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co in London.







6.4.1. Cook Islands (cont)..



Registered cover from Rarotonga to San Francisco, US January 1893. Tied by bar-type "Rarotonga" obliterator and datestamp (A3). Backstamped transit cds Wellington NZ Jan 1893 and San Francisco arrival cancel Feb 17th 1893. Large manuscript "R" in blue pencil followed by the registration number. Backstamped with the Cook Islands Covernment Seal (AF4) with a large star in the center. This was replaced by a similar one "with all stars alike" in early 1893. Early cover, registration facilities was introduced at Rarotonga early 1893.

6.4.2. .and the Friendly Isles (Tonga)



Cook had visited The Friendly Isles (Tonga) for the first time on his second voyage,





Cook was welcomed by the Tu'i Tonga (the king of Tonga)...

after a painting by Henry Roberts (1757-96) who sailed as master's mate on the voyage.

"The RESOLUTION, c1775"



.and he stayed in **Tongatapu** for between two and three months.



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and decided to make yet another visit on what turned out to be his Farewell Voyage.



6.4.2. .and the Friendly Isles (Tonga) (cont).



6.5. New discoveries

6.5.1. Christmas Island







On a small island (now Cook islet) at the entrance of the lagoon Cook observed a solar eclipse.



Christmas Island, early local cover. 5c Christmas Island local stamp, tied by Local-Postage cancel 11 Jan 1918. The date is so far known the first date of use of the Christmas Island locals. 3 covers and one piece is known to exist. The cancel is a duplex cancel; the place in the center had to be filled with an extra date cancel and mostly the date is illegible or not applied at all.

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6.5.2 The Hawaiian Islands





Hawai'i Post was a Local Post operating under the exemption to the U.S. Private Express Statues that allows urgent mail. HP is a messenger and delivery service in Waikiki, a suburb of Honolulu, to pick up and deliver urgent mail anywhere in Waikiki. Established May1997 and started issuing postage stamps in 2000 for prepayment of services. Services discontinued June 2014.







Cook stayed on the islands for a few weeks and was impressed with the beautiful feathered cloaks of the chiefs. The cloaks were made from feathers of local birds, some now extinct:

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The dark red feathers came from the Apapane, the red feathers from the Γ iwi, and the yellow ones came from the O'o (moho nobilis)...



Penrhyn



75c

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"An inland view of Atooi" (Kauai) (by Webber).

The first island sighted was Oahu (left) but he landed on Kauai to the north-west and later visited the smaller island of Niihau.



Cook named the islands Sandwich Islands in honour of John Montagu (1718-92), 4th Earl of Sandwich. He was First Lord of the Admiralty from 1771 to 1782. Soon the local name for the islands, Hawai'i, was in common use.



"Captain Cook landing at Owhyhee", by John Cleverley the Younger (1747-86) and a portrait of John Mantagu, by Thomas Gainsborough (1727-88).

.and the Mamo (drepanis pacifica).



High latitudes 6.6.

6.6.1. The Pacific coast



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6.6.2. The Bering Strait

DAN 875 Hrm. Adolf Fluri Versandbuch handlung Bern 16 Registered cover to Switzerland, tied by Copenhagen 36 cds 8.3.43. Postage 70 øre. Letter rate 40 øre (01.07.40 to 31.05.50) + registration fee 30 øre (01.07.40 to 30.04.51) = 70 øre.n. Blagg Cheadle

Prephilatelic entire from Heresford to Cheadle, Staffordshire. Hereford datecancel Dec 5 1833. Boxed Too Late cancel in black. Postage 9d which was the rate for letters carried more than 80 and less than 120 miles (in force 1821 to 1839). Too Late handstamp was applied to covers posted too late for a particular despatch, usually the evening one.

Cook returned to Hawaii 6.7.

6.7.1. Kealakekua Bay



"An offering before Captain Cook" (Webber).





Pien Bigut

Engraver's die proof in brown. Signed by Pierre Béquet. 5 or 6 printed in each colour.



Cook was well received, and was invited to ritual dances. Cook was treated as a god.

A chief came on board the RESOLUTION feathered cloaks and helmets.





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Penrhyn





as issued.

Cook anchored in Kealakekua Bay which in the Hawaiian language means "the god's pathway".



Feathered head of the war god Ku, collected by Cook and now in the World Museum, Vienna.



Postal stationery; reply card. Domestic card rate was 1c from 1898 to 1951. Captain Cook is a small village situated on the cliffs above Kealakekua Bay. Capatain Cook is one of only 5 towns/ villages worldwide bearing Cook's name, the others being: Cook's Harbour, NFL (page 6), Cooktown, Australia (p57), Cook's Beach, NZ (p32) and Mount Cook, NZ (p33).

6.8. Cook's death

6.8.1. Events leading to..



6.8.2. .Cook's death



Cook was hit with a club and stabbed to death on the beach in Kealakekua Bay.



Rem Bigut.		

James Cook was buried at sea off Hawaii and a monument has been erected near the site of his death.

A memorial is found to him and his family in **St Andrew The Great in Cambridge** (UK).



In memoriam 7.

7.1. Portraits

James Cook was posthumously modeled by John Flaxman, Jr (1755-1826). In 1784 he made a portrait medallion for the Wedgwood company.



In 1968 De La Rue Printers in London used the Captain Cook portrait by Flaxman for their first successful phosphor band trial.

Imperforated phosphor band trials. Gummed paper with two phosphor bands each. Cook design with small or large head facing either right or left.

Head and shoulders:

During his lifetime James Cook sat for 3 painters who portrayed him, and a total of 5 portraits have survived.



Cook (Webber) and Webber (JD Mottet)

John Webber (1751-93) was the official artist on the 3rd voyage. He made several paintings to document the voyage but also painted Cook's portrait. Webber painted at least 4 different portraits but only 3 have survived.







Registration label Ilawa 1, Poland 2002. In use during the exhibition for the Cook's second expedition 230th anniversary.



As issued: stitched booklet with copy of contents.

Three-quarter figure (right):

Cook in captain's uniform with sword. Left hand hanging and right hand with glove. Painted 1782. (Canberra, Australia).



Almost full-length representation: Cook in captain's uniform holding a telescope in his left hand and a hat in his right. Painted 1777.

(Te Papa Tongareva in Wellington, New Zealand).



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"Black omitted" variety, lettering and value, on cover to Enoggera, QLD (certificate 2001). Tied by Brisbane machine datestamp 8 May 1970 (issued Apr 20th 1970). Domestic letter rate 5c (in force 1.10.1967 - 30.9.1970). Only two recorded examples found used on cover. At the time of certification this was the only known example on cover but another cover was sold at auction in 2019.

A second painter was William Hodges who was the official artist on the second voyage (see p40). Cook sat for the portrait 1775-76.

Head and shoulders:

Cook wearing a captain's undress uniform which is worn on other than formal occasions. (National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London).

Mirrored design as Cook's head is turned towards his left.











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Engraving by Basire.

7.1. Portraits (cont).



5. The Nathaniel Dance (1735-1811) portrait was commissioned by Joseph Banks, and Cook sat for it in 1776.

It is a three-quarter-length portrait of Cook wearing a captain's full-dress uniform. He holds his own chart of the Southern Ocean and his right hand points to the east coast of Australia on it.

National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London.

The portrait appear on many stamps. Either the entire portrait as shown above, or in head-and-shoulder version as shown in the United States 1978 issue..



Shifted perforation.



Imperforated plate proof.



James Cook bis

W Kunst- und Ausstellungshalle der Bundesrepublik Deutschland

28.02.10

in Bonn



Die proof in black and red on wove paper. Visible guide register lines and endorsed "Stronger Vermilion" in pencil.

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Die proof in black and blue on wove paper. Visible guide register lines.





Center vignette plate proof with uncleared margins. The "framing" is caused by removing irregularities in the printing surface by an abrasive stone. Next step was to use an agate burnisher to clear the margins (right).



Center vignette plate proof, perforated. Rarely seen, most are imperforated.







Center vignette plate proof with cleared margins.

The design for the 1932-issue was based on a photograph of the portrait by Dance. The artist L.C. Mitchell added the admiral's hat and changed Cook's facial expression slightly. The essay for this issue is displayed on page 64.



Mixed perfs 13 and 14 in left selvedge.