

# YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK

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:**

1911 (WP24)\_Mr Murakami c/o Yokohama Specie Bank E.C. Bishopsgatestreet (actually used London JAN31 1907)

## **Brief Comment:**

Yokohama Specie Bank is a Japanese bank founded in Yokohama, Japan in the year 28 February 1880. In 1947, it became The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. In April 1996, The Mitsubishi Bank, Ltd. and The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. merged in Japan.

Numbers of persons with the surname Murakami as registered in the BMD registers of London districts.

## **References:**

1. FreeBMD Home Page <http://freebmd.rootsweb.com>