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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:

1889 (CP24d)_J F Lewis Esq., Oscar House, Caerleon Rd, Newport, Mon (actually used from Peckham JY 1 98)

[return half]

W A Bois 22 Lyndhurst Rd, Peckham, London (actually used from Newport JY 26 98)

Brief Comment:

John Floyd(e) Lewis (1853 Newport - 1934 Newport) lived in Newport, Monmouthshire; was married in 1878 to Fanny Louisa (Rosina - sic) NN (1856 New Romney, Kent - 1930 Newport) and had at least 3 daughters and a son, Florence Odelia Lewis (1884-), Winifred Mary (May) Lewis (1885-) and Lilian Lewis (1888-) and Trevor Floyd Lewis (1893 Newport - 1951 Southampton). J F Lewis was a vaccination officer for Newport, Monmouthshire ¹.

Walter Allen Bois (1854-1924) lived in Camberwell. In 1885, he married Ellen Phillippa (Pippa) WITTS (1861-1923). There appear to have been no offspring. W A Bois was a wine merchant.

References:

1. Family Search. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. <http://www.familysearch.org>
2. FreeBMD Home Page <http://freebmd.rootsweb.com>
3. Bois, Walter Allan. Original Patent Application Number 7,604 for an Improvement in Door and like Barrel Bolts (Brockley). (Hardcover) Publ: HMSO. 1888
4. Kelly's Directory for Monmouthshire - Newport Street Directory 'A' and Part 4.

¹ 1901 Vaccination Officers for Monmouthshire included:

- Caerleon district, Clarence Gustav Williams, 79 Victoria avenue, Maindee, Newport
- Llantarnam district, F. W. Parsons, Fairfield house, Pontenewydd
- Mynyddyslwyn district, Edward Rowland, Abercarn
- Newport district, John F. Lewis, Caerleon road, Newport
- Rogerstone district, Alfred Evans, Llanhennock, near Cardiff