Basic Detail Report

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Title

Letter addressed to Captain Menlove

Date

21 October 1952

Medium

Paper, ink

Dimensions

Overall: 180 x 115 mm

Name

Letter

History

A collection of ephemera associated with D. A. Menlove's merchant shipping career from the 1930s to the 1950s. The collection includes various certificates and indentures, photographic prints and postcards (mostly of vessels), log books, newspaper clippings and booklets titled 'Steamers Particulars' for SS NANKIN, SS NELLORE and SS EASTERN. Desmond Menlove commanded a corvette the HMAS DELORAINE in WWII. The DELORAINE sank the first Japanese submarine during WWII in December 1941 during the bombing of Pearl Harbour. Menlove was born in 1906 in Temora, NSW. He entered Naval College in 1920. He joined the 'Merchant Navy' and when war was declared in 1939 was mobilised with the RAN. After the war he worked for the AMP as a superannuation consultant. He died in 1990.