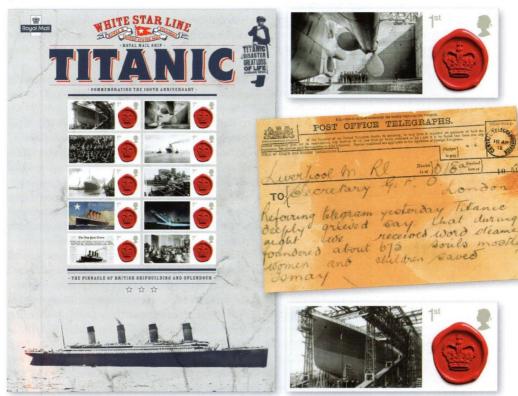
## **March update** 100th anniversary of the *Titanic*, more Post & Go's down on the farm and a cool Cardiff Cover



Marking the 100th anniversary of the *RMS Titanic*, Royal Mail issues a Commemorative Sheet on 10 April. The history of the *Titanic* and Royal Mail are closely interlinked, as the ship was commissioned to carry mail and so the letters RMS (Royal Mail Ship) were used in the ship's name. On 10 April 1912, when the grand new White Star Line liner set sail from Southampton on its maiden voyage to New York with 2,223 people on board, travelling among them were two British postal workers together with three counterparts from the US Postal Service. There is evidence that they valiantly tried to save the mail when the *Titanic* collided with an iceberg four days later, but all five individuals were among the 1,522 people who perished when she sank.

The new Commemorative Sheet carries ten first-class stamps, each with the 'crown seal' Smiler' stamp and a label alongside featuring a variety of images of the *Titanie* story, such as her construction in the dockyards, the launch, the crew, White Star Line publicity, a *The New York Times* headline and the public enquiry that followed the disaster. The sheet background shows the White Star Line emblem at the top and a *Titanie* picture below the stamps. Price £13.95 • •

Above: the commemorative sheet includes images of the construction and launch of the *Titanic*. Also shown above, but not part of the sheet, is a telegram from a collection held at the The British Postal Museum and Archive, sent at the time of the *Titanic* disaster