

Lot Type Grading Description

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CEYLON - Pre-Stamp Markings

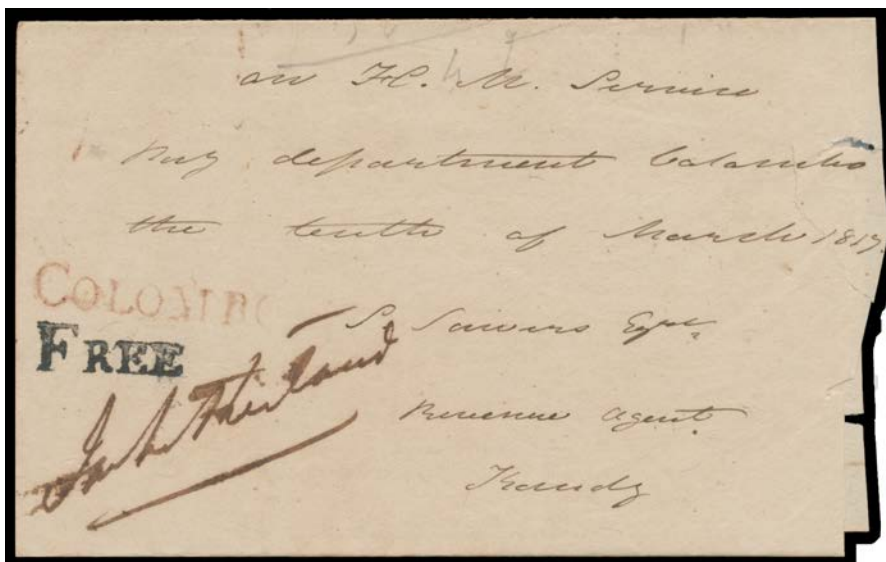
For this section we have referred to Ted Proud's monumental "Postal History of Ceylon" and the sale of his collection by Prestige Philately on 2.10.2010. GF Oxley's 2001 rating system - 'A' = common; 'B' = scarce; 'C' = rare; 'D' = known from archival strike only - is used. For very fine strikes, we have added a "+" to the rating. Refer also to our postmark gradings on page 6.



Lot 905

905 C B **COLOMBO:** straight-line 'COLOMBO' (Oxley Type 2; Proud #PS1 - recorded 20.8.1815 to 3.8.1816 only) in red over straight-line 'FREE' (Oxley Type 2pf; Proud #OPD2 - recorded 3.8.1816 only) in black, light but clear strikes on tiny OHMS entire endorsed "Colombo 19th May 1817", to "Revenue Agent/Kandy". [Ted Proud had no example of either postmark in his collection]

1,000^T



Lot 906

906 C B - straight-line 'COLOMBO' (Oxley Type 2; Proud #PS1 - recorded 20.8.1815 to 3.8.1816 only) in red over straight-line 'FREE' (Oxley Type 2pf; Proud #OPD2 - recorded 3.8.1816 only) in black, very fine & superb strikes on large-part OHMS outer endorsed "Pay Department Colombo/the tenth of March 1817", to "Revenue Agent/Kandy", minor faults.

1,000^T



Lot 907

907 C A- A1- - octagonal '[crown]/COLOMBO/POST FREE/12FE12/1825' (Oxley unrecorded; Proud #OPD4 - ERD) largely very fine strike on OHMS outer to "Revenue Commissioners/Kandy". [Absent from Ted Proud's collection]

450^T

CEYLON - Pre-Stamp Markings (continued)

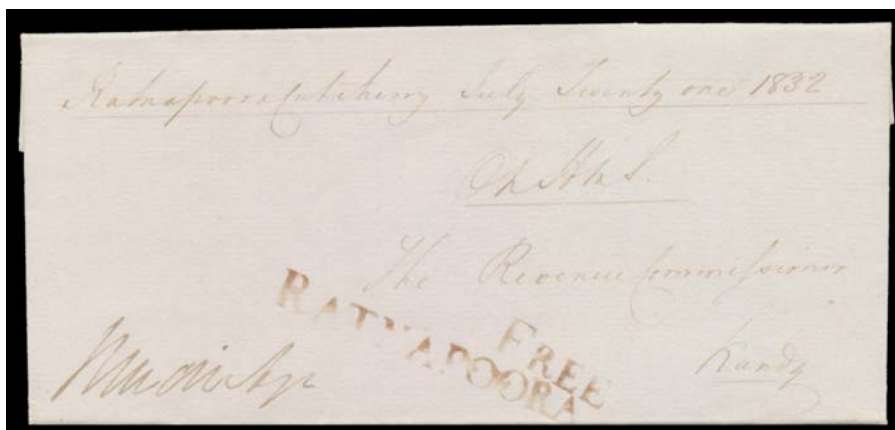
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Lot 908

908	C	A-	KANDY: octagonal '[crown]/KANDY/POST FREE/16MA/---9' arrival d/s (Oxley unrecorded; Ted Proud #OPD2 - ERD: recorded 10.6.1829 to 6.3.1830 only) light & watery but obvious strike in red on the face of OHMS entire endorsed "Colombo March Fourteen 1829" to "Revenue Commissioners/Kandy" with very fine octagonal '[crown]/COLOMBO/POST FREE/15FE15/1825' d/s (Oxley unrecorded; Proud #OPD4).	600 ^T
909	C	A	KURUNEGALA: straight-line 'KURUNAGALA' (Oxley Type 2; Proud #PS1) over straight-line 'POST FREE' (Oxley as Type 2pp; Proud #OPD1 - recorded 19.7.1825-27.2.1827 only) both partly-doubled but obvious strikes on undated part-entire to Kandy.	500 ^T



Lot 910

910	C	A+ A1-	RATNAPURA: straight-line 'RATNAPOORA' & straight-line 'FREE' (both unrecorded by both Oxley and Proud) very fine strikes on OHMS entire endorsed "Ratnapoora Catchery July Twenty one 1832" to Kandy. Ted Proud states Ratnapura opened only in 1861, while Geoff Oxley's ERD for any Ratnapura marking is 1858. Here is proof that there was a post office at Ratnapura as early as 1832. Superb! [The finest of the four similar items discovered only a few years ago]	1,000 ^T
911	C	C	TRINCOMALEE: straight-line 'FREE' (Oxley Type 2pf; unrecorded by Proud) very fine strike on fragile OHMS outer endorsed "Catchery Trincomalee/the Twenty seventh May 1817" to Kandy.	400 ^T