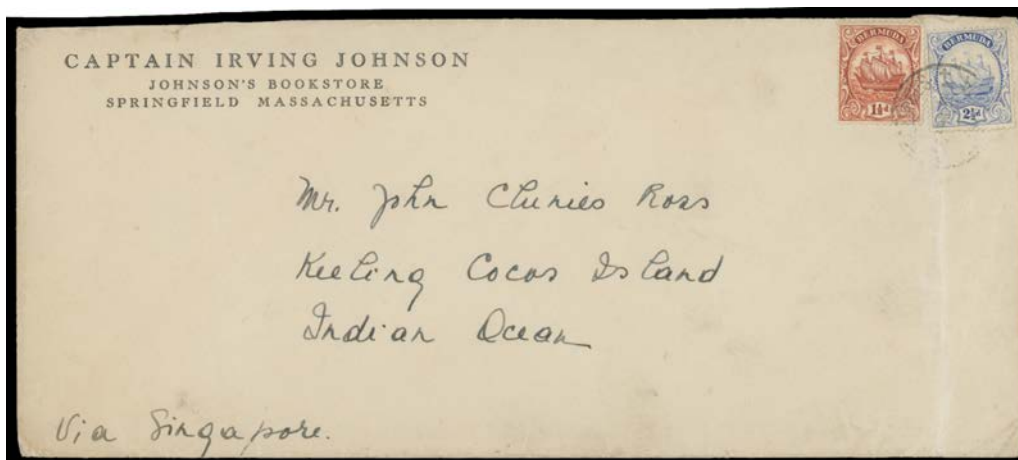


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COCOS ISLANDS POSTAL HISTORY - Straits Settlements Postal Agency 1933 to 1937*The Agency opened on or about 20.4.1933 and closed circa March 1937. It was operated by the Cable Company on Direction Island.*

2345 C A 1936 (Jan 5) *Orient Line* PPC 'SS Ormonde' with message headed "Indian Ocean near Fremantle", to NSW with boxed 'PAQUEBOT' h/s & Australian KGV 1½d brown tied by Fremantle cds of 7JA36. Plus a different unused PPC of the ship. [The message states "...Saw Cocos Isl in middle of Indian Ocean...most beautiful & interesting..."] (2)

100^T

Lot 2346

2346 CL B - cover with imprint of *Captain Irving Johnson* (Springfield, Mass) to "John Clunies-Ross/Keeling Cocos Island/Via Singapore" with Bermuda (!) 1½d & 2½d tied by 'ST GEORGES' cds, minor blemishes. **A remarkable origin/destination item.** [Probably contained a letter of thanks for hospitality extended during the visit to Cocos of the US Schooner 'Yankee' on its 1935 round-the-world voyage]

500^T

Lot 2347

2347 D A A2+ **DATESTAMPS - 'BLANK AT BASE': 'COCOS ISLAND/20AU/1933'** (*Proud #D1*) largely superb strike on Straits 3c red & 4c red. [*Ted Proud* indicates this type is twice as scarce as #D2. *Kim Dwyer* had no example, only one cover is recorded, and those offered here are the only examples we have seen]

500^T

Lot 2348

2348 D A A1+ - 'COCOS ISLAND/20AU/1933' (*Proud #D1*) superb strike on Straits 5c pair.

500^T

COCOS ISLANDS POSTAL HISTORY - Straits Settlements Postal Agency 1933 to 1937 (continued)

Lot Type Grading Description

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**Lot 2349**

2349 C A- - 'COCOS ISLAND/20AU/1933' (*Proud #D1*) very fine strike on Straits 2c green & 10c to Missouri "via Singapore". Stated to be **the only recorded cover with this rare marking**. [Sold at an English auction in 2003 for £3910]

7,500^T**Lot 2350**

2350 D A A2 **DATESTAMPS - 'FILLED AT BASE':** 'COCOS ISLAND/25NO/1936' (*Proud #D2*) largely very fine strike on Straits 8c grey. [*Kim Dwyer's* only example was a B3 strike on 25c Jubilee which sold for \$776]

400^T**Lot 2351**

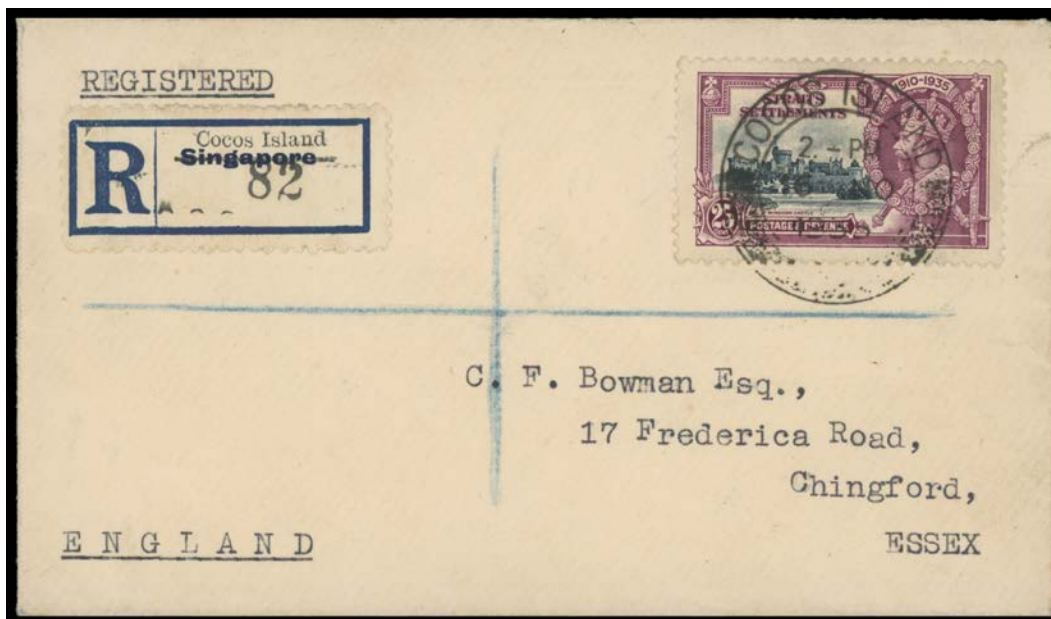
2351 C A- A1 - 'COCOS ISLAND/20AP/1933' (*Proud #D2; ERD*) two largely superb strikes on Straits 1c 2c & 5c on family cover to "Mrs JS Clunies-Ross" in England, light vertical fold clear of the stamps. From the first official outgoing mail. [The so-called "Queen Rose" cover. In late-1927, *John Sidney* married *Rose Nash* in London. Acquired at a Perth auction in 2001 for \$7260]

6,000^T

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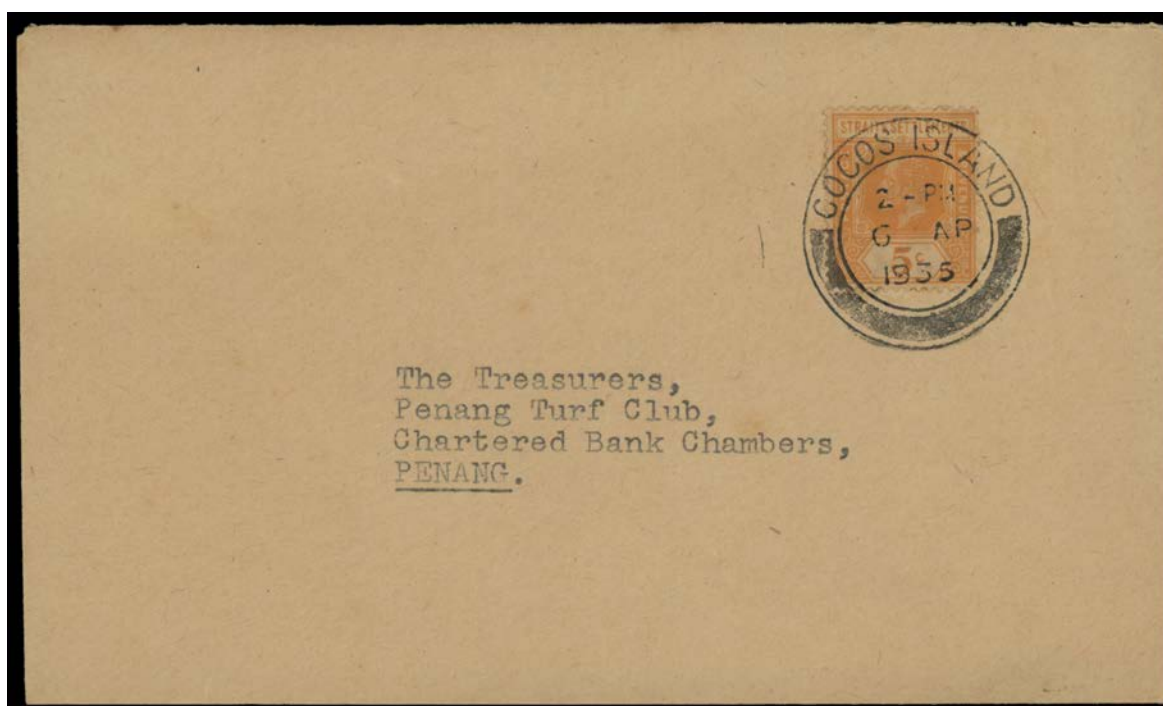
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Lot 2352

- 2352** C A A2 - 'COCOS ISLAND/16NO/1935' (*Proud* #D2) largely very fine strike on Straits 25c Jubilee on philatelic cover to GB with rare 'Singapore' registration label No '82' overprinted 'Cocos Island', Singapore transit b/s. Only three registered covers are recorded: the almost identical cover with 'R' label '83' - stated then to be unique - sold at a Perth auction in 2007 for \$10,175]

6,000^T

Lot 2353

- 2353** C A - 'COCOS ISLAND/6AP/1935' (*Proud* #D2) superb strike on Straits 5c orange on cover to *Penang Turf Club*. This is the cover from which *Proud's* illustration is taken.

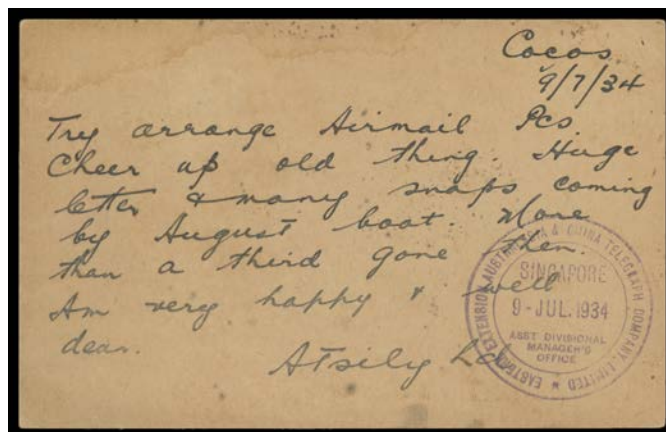
This datestamp is substantially different from the other three strikes of *Proud* #D2 listed above in respect of diameter (29½mm as compared to 30½mm for the other three), width of the semi-circular 'band' in the base (3mm compared with 3½mm in the others), inscription - in particular the shape of the letters 'S' in both 'COCOS' & 'ISLAND' - and its slightly but obviously smaller date slugs. While it is questionable what need Cocos would have for **three different datestamps** in this period, the only other explanation is the rather inconceivable one that this cancel is a **fake**, albeit one that passed *Proud's* scrutiny and of which no other has turned up to the best of our knowledge. Given the unlikelihood of obtaining an unqualified *Expert Certificate* for such an item, we must reluctantly offer this lot **'as is'**. Personal assessment highly recommended.

2,000^T

COCOS ISLANDS POSTAL HISTORY - Straits Settlements Postal Agency 1933 to 1937 (continued)

Lot Type Grading Description

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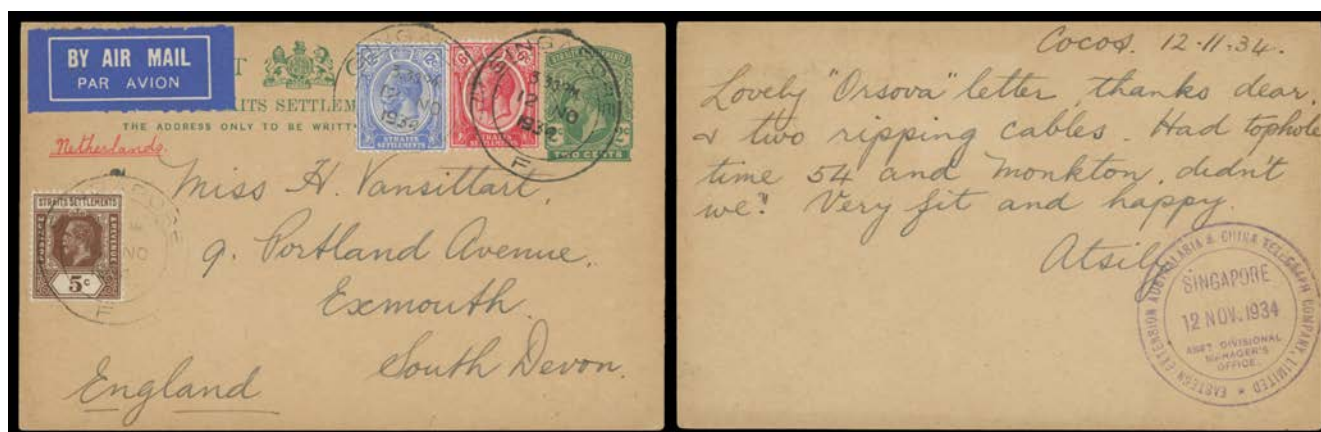
Lot 2354

- 2354** PS B TELEGRAPHIC MESSAGES ON POSTAL CARDS: 1934 (July 9) Straits 2c with 40mm 'EASTERN EXTENSION... TELEGRAPH COMPANY/SINGAPORE/...' cachet on the reverse, to GB uprated with 2c green tied by Singapore cds of 9JY/1934, minor blemishes. Message: "Cocos/.../Try arrange Airmail PCs...Huge letter & many snaps coming by August boat..." [Kim Dwyer had no example of such cards with messages sent to Singapore]

750^T

Lot 2355

- 2355** PS A- - 1934 (July 16) Straits 2c with 40mm 'EASTERN EXTENSION... TELEGRAPH COMPANY/SINGAPORE/...' cachet on the reverse, to GB by air uprated with 2c green & 10c x2 - underpaid 1c but not taxed - tied by Singapore cds of 16JY/1934, minor blemishes. Message: "Cocos/.../Orama arrives four days, hurray!..." [Prior to 29.3.1934 the airmail postcard rate per *Imperial* was 25c but 24c per *KLM*. From that date both rates were 25c]

750^T

Lot 2356

- 2356** PS A - 1934 (Nov 12) Straits 2c with 40mm 'EASTERN EXTENSION... TELEGRAPH COMPANY/SINGAPORE/...' cachet on the reverse, to GB by air per *KLM* uprated with 5c brown, 6c red & 12c blue tied by Singapore cds of 12NO/1934. Message: "Cocos/.../Lovely Orsova letter...& two ripping cables..."

1,000^T