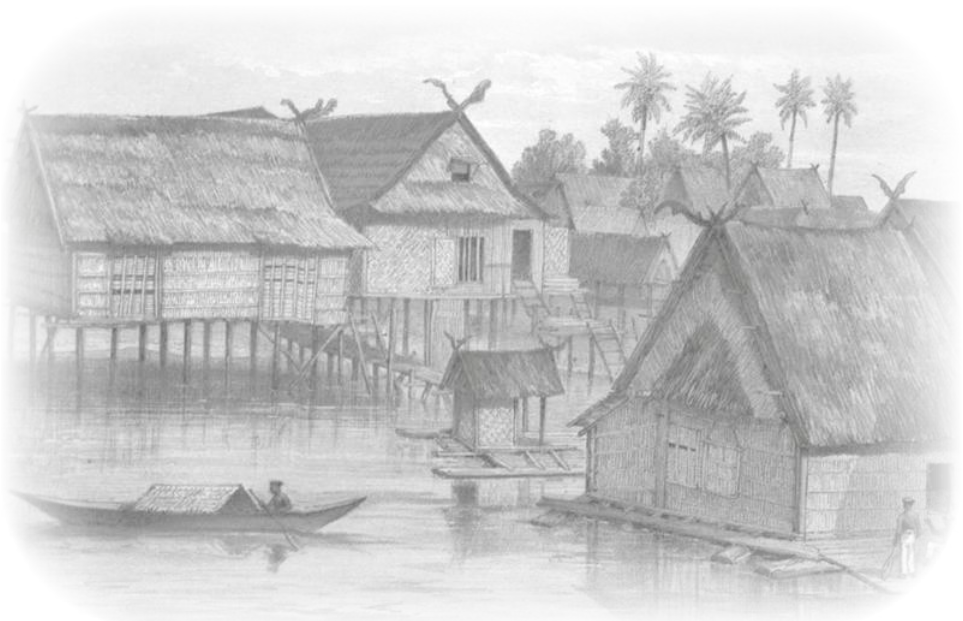
Brunei

The 'BESANÇON' Collection



House in Brunei

ex 4483

		Gibbons	Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4483	1895 (July 22): The complete set of ten values used, the ½ d. with fault, otherwise a very fine set with largely clear (and typically heavy in some cases) circular datestamps (Aug 18, Aug 19, Oct 8, 1895 and Feb 21, 1896). A scarce set used Gi = £ 425.	1/10	**160**	*(€ 145)*

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4484	1895 (July 22): 1 c. brown-lake, a used block of fifteen (3 x 5) of rich colour, each cancelled by BRUNEI circular datestamps (Aug 18, 1895) in black, the NE of BRUNEI being heavily inked. One or two negligible bends but a delightful and very rare multiple Gi = £ 240+.	2	⊞	**200**	*(€ 185)*
4485	1895: 2 c. black, a used block of nine, neatly cancelled by BRUNEI circular datestamps in black (Aug 19, 1895). Fresh and fine, a scarce and attractive multiple Gi = £ 198+.	3	⊞	**120**	*(€ 110)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4486	1895 (July 22): 10 c. orange-red, a used block of four, marginal from top of sheet, superbly cancelled by BRUNEI datestamps (Feb 21, 1896) in black. A scarce and most attractive multiple Gi = £ 200+.	7	⊞	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4487	1895 (July 22): 10 c. orange-red, an unused horizontal pair, corner marginal from upper left corner of the sheet, variety "Imperforate", aging particularly in margin and not affecting the adhesives, large part og. A very scarce positional pair from the one sheet issued Gi = £ 3'000.	7a		**750**	*(€ 690)*

4488

4488	1895: Cover bearing the complete first issue from ½ c. to 50 c., used to Labuan, all neatly cancelled by BRUNEI circular datestamps in black (Aug 19), the 25 c. turquoise somewhat heavily cancelled. Nearly all first issue Brunei covers are addressed to F.R. Parker in Tottenham, London via Labuan, thus this cover whilst also philatelic, is of considerable scarcity: just three covers are recorded addressed to Boyd and, as alocal cover, did not require Labuan adhesives Gi = £ 330 off cover. *Note: W.W. Boyd was the secretary of the Labuan Water Company Ltd. and also Postmaster in Labuan. It should be noted that only four Brunei first issue covers are recorded with single frankings.*	1/9	✉	**500**	*(€ 460)*

4489

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4489	1895: 2 c. black, 3 c. blue and 5 c. green all used on 1895 'Parker' registered cover to London via Labuan, tied by BRUENEI circular datestamps (July 22), curved REGISTERED in black and 1894 Labuan 18 c. black & olive-brown (Gi 71) applied for onward transmission tied by "Labuan" cds (July 25). Oval London registered arrival in red (Aug 25) and Tottenham cds in red on reverse of a fine cover.	3+ 4+ 5	✉	**250**	*(€ 230)*
4490	1895 (July 22): The collection of complete sheets (16) of fifty (10 x 5) of the First Local Issue with block of 26 of the 50 c. but sadly no sheet of the rare 25 c., with ½ c. brown (State I and State II), 1 c. brown-lake in a deep shade and a pale delicate pink shade; 2 c. black in pale, medium and dark shades; 3 c. blue in pale, medium and dark shades; 5 c. deep blue-green (2), 8 c. plum in pale and deep printing, 10 c. orange-red, 50 c. olive in block of 26 stamps from lower left corner of the sheet and $ 1 olive-yellow in a complete sheet; generally fresh and fine, a superb and rare study Gi = £ 7'325.	1/7+ 9/10	⊞*/**	**2'000**	*(€ 1'840)*

ex 4491

4491	1906 (Oct 1): Overprinted 'BRUNEI.' on Labuan in red, the complete set of twelve values unused, the $ 1 with slight aging at top, Otherwise all fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce set, just 2'000 full sets issued Gi = £ 600.	11/22	*	**200**	*(€ 185)*

On the water in Brunei

4492

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4492	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 1 c. black & purple, perf. 14, variety overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in black instead of red, a fine unused block of four of excellent colour and centering, superb large part og. with lower pair unmounted og. Just one sheet of 100 printed thus, a magnificent multiple of this exceptionally rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1983) Gi = £ 10'000+.	11a	⊞*	**5'000**	*(€ 4'600)*
4493	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 1 c. black & purple, perf. 14, variety overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in black instead of red, a fine used block of four, cancelled by central BRUNEI (May 20) datestamp in violet. Just one sheet of 100 printed thus, an exceptional multiple of an extremely rare stamp. Cert BPA (1980) Gi = £ 12'000+. *Provenance: W. Houtzamer.*	11a	⊞	**4'000**	*(€ 3'680)*

Native fishing in Brunei

4494

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4494	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 1 c. black & purple, perf. 14, variety overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in black instead of red, used with 25 c. on 16 c. green & brown on local cover addressed to F.A.S. McClelland, tied by BRUNEI cds in blue (Nov 14) with year unclear. An extremely rare and beautiful cover. *Note 1: For a similar cover franked with the 1 c. error and a 30 c. on 16 c. see the "Jacqui O" collection, RL, 19 Nov 1980, lot 1013.* *Note 2: F.A.S. McClelland (1873-1947) was appointed as Assistant Resident in Brunei, arriving in the Colony in May 1906.*	11a+ 19	✉	**5'000**	*(€ 4'600)*

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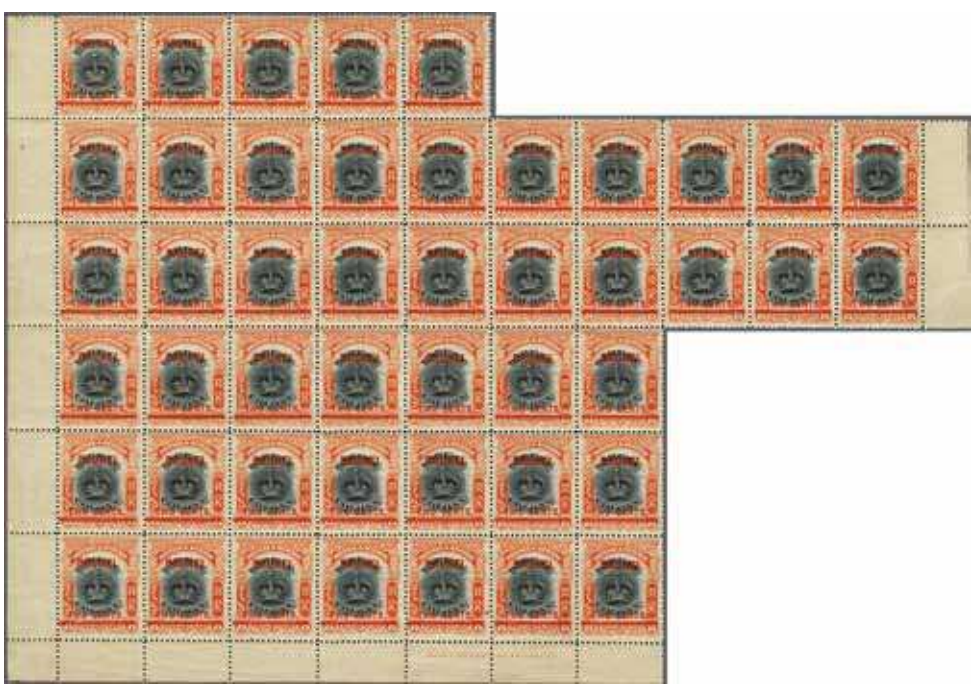
		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4495	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 1 c. black & purple, perf. 14, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused example showing variety "Line through "B" of LABUAN" (Row 5, stamp 10), of fresh colour and fine large part g. Scarce Gi = £ 900.	11b	*	**250**	*(€ 230)*
4496	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, variety "TWO CENTS Double", an unused example with merest trace of aging on upper perfs. otherwise fresh and fine, large part og. An exceptionally rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1966) Gi = £ 5'000.	12a	*	**600**	*(€ 550)*
4497	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, variety "BRUNEI. Double", an unused example with the original erroneous surcharge somewhat paler due to Official attempts to remove the variety, of fresh appearance, slightest trace of aging on one or two perfs. of no importance, large part og. An extremely rare stamp. Cert. RPSL (1998) Gi = £ 3'750. *Provenance: Collection Betty Watterson.*	12a	*	**1'500**	*(€ 1'380)*
4498	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, variety "BRUNEI. Double", an unused example affixed to piece with the original erroneous surcharge somewhat paler due to Official attempts to remove the variety, perfs trimmed at base and irregular at top but of fresh appearance. An extremely rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1985) Gi = £ 3'750.	12a	(*)	**1'200**	*(€ 1'105)*
4499	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused example showing variety "Line through "B" of LABUAN" (Row 5, stamp 10), of fresh colour, slight gum skip, large part g. Scarce Gi = £ 325.	12c	*	**150**	*(€ 140)*
4500	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, a used example showing variety "Line through "B" of LABUAN" (Row 5, stamp 10), of fresh colour, lightly cancelled in black leaving the variety clear. Scarce Gi = £ 600.	12c		**220**	*(€ 200)*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4501	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 8 c. black & vermilion, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused irregular block of forty-six, corner marginal from lower left of sheet, of marvellous frresh colour, superb appearance and showing two complete horizontal rows, large part or unmounted og. A delightful multiple Gi = £ 1'240+.	13	⊞*/**	**400**	*(€ 370)*

"Overprint TWO CENTS Double"

"TWO CENTS Omitted"

4502

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4502	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 8 c. black & vermilion, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused vertical strip of ten, with sheet margin at top and at base, fourth stamp showing "L" for "I" in BRUNEI, fifth stamp showing variety "Overprint TWO CENTS Double", the tenth stamp with variety "TWO CENTS Omitted", protective hinge between third and fourth stamps, large part or unmounted og., superbly fresh and fine with just one sheet printed thus: therefore only 10 examples of each error can exist - of which two examples of each from the first two columns of the sheet are housed in the collection of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and thus only 8 are in private hands. A magnificent and rare multiple. Cert. Holcombe (1998) Gi = £ 29'200+. *Note: The surcharge was made from a Setting of 50 in two operations, one sheet had a misplacement of the Plate resulting in the fifth row receiving a second surcharge and the tenth row receiving none. The "L" flaw was probably the result of an extraneous piece of metal on the Plate.*	13a+ 13b+ 13	*/**	**15'000**	*(€ 13'800)*

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"Line through "B" of LABUAN"

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4503	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused example showing variety "Line through "B" of LABUAN" (Row 5, stamp 10), of fresh colour, fine large part g. Scarce Gi = £ 850.	14a	*	**300**	*(€ 275)*
4504	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 4 c. on 12 c. black & yellow, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused example showing variety "Line through "B" of LABUAN" (Row 5, stamp 10), slight spot at top but of fresh colour, large part g. Scarce Gi = £ 350.	15a	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

Victoria Harbour, Labuan

4505

4505	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 4 c. on 12 c. black & yellow, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, a used example on 1907 cover to London tied by bold LABUAN datestamp in black (Feb 12) paying the unsealed letter rate. Reverse with SINGAPORE transitr cds (Feb 15) and London arrival cds (March 19). Ironed horizontal file fold well away from the adhesive, a rare ancd charming cover. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1018.*	15	✉	**1'500**	*(€ 1'380)*
4506	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 10 c. on 16 c. green & brown, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, an unused example showing variety "Line through "B" of LABUAN" (Row 5, stamp 10), of fresh rich colour, part g. Scarce Gi = £ 450.	18a	*	**150**	*(€ 140)*

4507

		Gibbons	Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4507	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia in a horizontal strip of three, 4 c. black & yellow in a horizontal strip of four and single 10 c. on 16 c. green & brown overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, used on registered 1908 cover to Tandjongpoera, Netherlands East Indies tied by BRUNEI datestamps in violet (Sept 30). Reverse with violet BRUNEI registration cachet, Labuan cds, Singapore cds (Oct 12), "Postagent / Singapore" cds (Oct 12) and Tandjongpoera arrival (Oct 16). An unusual and most attractive cover. *Provenance: Collection "Jacqui O", RL, London, 19 Nov 1980, lot 1076.* *Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1022.*	12+ 15+ 18 ✉	**1'000**	*(€ 920)*

4508

4508	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, a single and a horizontal strip of three, 8 c. black & vermilion in a horizontal strip of three and 10 c. on 16 c. green & brown all used on 1908 registered cover to Singapore tied by BRUNEI datestamps (Nov 30) in violet. Registration cachet in violet alongside and reverse with Labuan transit cd (Dec1) and Singapore arrival (Dec 4). A splendid and rare cover. *Provenance: Collection "Jacqui O", RL, London, 19 Nov 1980, lot 1077.* *Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1024.*	12+ 17+ 18 ✉	**750**	*(€ 690)*

King Carol II of Romania

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		Gibbons	Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4509	1906 (Oct 1): Labuan 2 c. on 3 c. black & sepia, perf. 13½, overprinted 'BRUNEI.' in red, variety "BRUNEI. Double", a horizontal pair used on reverse of registered cover to Labuan additionally franked by four 3 c. black & sepia, one defective and 1907 1 c. grey-lack & pale green pair all tied by BRUNEI datestamps in blue (April 2) with Labuan arrival cds (April 3) in black. Some peripheral aging, the cover sensibly opened for Exhibit display but most extraordinary and unique. Signed Holcombe, Herbert Bloch. Cert. Holcombe (1998) Gi = £ 5'000+ off cover. *Provenance: Collection King Carol of Romania.*	12a+ 14+ 23 ✉	**7'500**	*(€ 6'900)*

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The premises of De La Rue

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4510	1906: De La Rue composite Essay for the 25 c. value, inset in thick card (80 x 95 mm.) with the frame in emerald-green overlaid on the vignette in green (manuscript at top "Not to be followed for View" in pencil), the Duty Plate "25 c" being hand-drawn in pencil on background of Chinese white. Dated at top "June 7th 06" in ink and further manuscript at base "To be printed in 2 colours as design in 2 colours". The duplicate Proof (held by De La Rue) is illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2414, this example shown to the Crown Agents, who accepted the bicoloured design on June 14, 1906. A wonderful and unique Essay. *Provenance: De La Rue archives, RL, 1976.* *Christie's, London, 1994.*	30 Essay	(*)	**2'000**	*(€ 1'840)*

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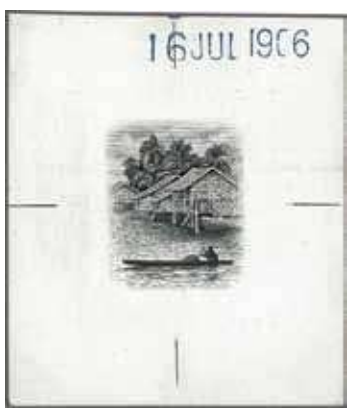

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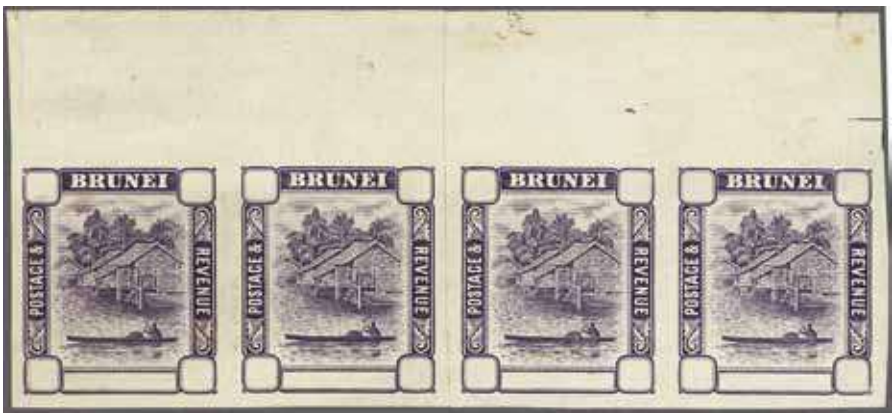
4511	1906: De La Rue Die Proof for the central vignette engraved in black on glazed white card (46 x 46 mm.) in deep black shade with faint printer's guidelines in surround. Not illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP, but undoubtedly for the first issue and similar to the blank Duty Plate Die Proof illustrated on page 2418. Rare.	23 Proof	(*)	**500**	*(€ 460)*
4512	1906: De La Rue Die Proof for the central vignette engraved in black on glazed white card (44 x 50 mm.)with clear printer's guidelines in surround, dated at top "16 JUL 1906" in blue. Not illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP, but undoubtedly for the first issue and pulled a month after the Essays were accepted by the Crown Agents. A delightful and rare Proof.	23 Proof	(*)	**850**	*(€ 780)*

position 4



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position 5

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4513	1906/07: De La Rue Proof without Duty Plates, a horizontal top marginal strip of four engraved in violet from a single Working plate, showing Positions 3-6 with position 4 showing fresh re-entries on "R" and "N" of BRUNEI (see illustration with the lot) and Position 5 showing re-entries on "RUNE" of BRUNEI, the strip separated and hinged back together but of great scarcity.	34 Proof	(*)	**750**	*(€ 690)*

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4514	1906/07: De La Rue Colour Trials in the accepted colours, all with Duty Plate "1 c.", all Imperforate on watermarked Multiple Crown CA paper, the (2 c.) in grey-black & scarlet and the (10 c.) in grey-black & deep green both showing the Re-entry on the lower left value tablet which occurred in Row 1, Stamp 5 when the stamps were issued. Probably removed from the duplicate "Appendix A" presentation sheet, illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2415, which was accepted by Sir William Mercer, without alterations as to colour, on Sept 21, 1906. A few imperfections, with or without gum, but a wonderful and extremely rare set.	23/33	*/(*)	**2'500**	*(€ 2'300)*
4515	1907/10: Brunei River first issue, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, the set of eleven values unused, including the scarce additional shade of the 4 c. grey-black & reddish purple, all fresh and fine, large part og. An attractive set Gi = £ 250.	23/33+ 26a	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4516	1907/10: Brunei River first issue, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, 1 c. grey-black and pale green in a top marginal block of four unused, 3 c. grey-black & chocolate (showing Frame Break at base under "E C" of THREE CENTS), 4 c. grey-black & mauve and 5 c. grey-black & blue all unused examples and all showing variety "Watermark Reversed", fresh and fine, large part or unmounted og. Gi = £ 300+.	23x+ 25x+ 26x+ 27x	⊞*/**	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4517	1907/10: Brunei River first issue, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, the unused set of eleven values overprinted SPECIMEN in black, fresh and very fine, large part og. Scarce Gi = £ 325.	23s/33s spec	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4518	1908/19: Brunei River, De La Rue Imperforate Die Proof without Duty Plates from the Single working Plate, printed in purple on unwatermarked wove paper. A scarce and most attractive Proof.	35 Proof	(*)	**250**	*(€ 230)*
4519	1908/19: Brunei River, De La Rue Imperforate Die Proof without Duty Plates from the single working Plate, printed in deep black & vermilion on unwatermarked wove paper. Guidelines at corners and fingerprint from printer in vermilion in margin, a scarce and most attractive Proof.	35 Proof	(*)	**350**	*(€ 320)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4520	1908/19: Brunei River, De La Rue Imperforate Die Proof without Duty Plates from the Single working Plate, printed in deep black on unwatermarked very thick wove paper. Guideline at upper left corner and partial date "23 SEP 19", a very scarce and most attractive Proof.	35 Proof	(*)	**400**	*(€ 370)*
4521	1908/22: Brunei River, De La Rue Imperforate Proofs (2) for 1 c. value printed from Key and Duty Plates, on watermarked Multiple Crown CA paper, for 1 c. green (issued colour) and 1 c. deep black & deep purple - this last of great beauty as used later for the 1948 $ 10), large part og. Unusual and very rare Proofs.	35 Proofs	(*)	**300**	*(€ 275)*

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4522	1908/20: De La Rue Imperforate Plate Proof from the Single working plate, for the 3 c. value in deep indigo-blue, a block of four engraved on thick unwatermarked ungummed wove paper. A similar block is illustrated in "The De LA Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2419. Superb and rare.	38 Proof	⊞(*)	**400**	*(€ 370)*
4523	1908/20: De La Rue Imperforate Plate Proof from the Single working plate, for the 3 c. value in deep indigo-blue, engraved on thick unwatermarked ungummed wove paper overprinted SPECIMEN in black. A similar Proof (in a pair) is illustrated in "The De LA Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2419. Superb and rare.	38 Proof	(*)	**250**	*(€ 230)*

ex 4524

ex 4525

4524	1908 (June 12): Brunei River, Colour Changes, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, the complete set of thirteen values to the $ 25 black on red unused, with additional 10 c. on pale yellow, fresh colours, typically slightly browned large part og., the $ 25 very fine. A scarce set Gi = £ 900.	34/48	*	**350**	*(€ 320)*
4525	1908 (June 12)/1922: Brunei River, Colour Changes, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, the complete set of thirteen values to the $ 25 black on red unused, all overprinted SPECIMEN in black, fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce and most attractive set Gi = £ 650.	34s/48s spec	*	**250**	*(€ 230)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4526	1908 (June 12): Brunei River, Colour Changes, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, 1 c. green (II) unused, variety "Missing "C" in Watermark, fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce variety than catalogue suggests Gi = £ 225.	35b	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4527	1908 (June 12) / 1922: Brunei River, 10 c. purple on pale yellow, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, an unused example, variety "Watermark Inverted and Reversed", fresh and fine appearance, two perfs. with tone spots on lower perfs., large part og. Gi = £ 450. *Provenance: Spink, London, 26-27 Oct 2005, lot 1193.*	42y	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4528	1908/10: Brunei River $ 5 carmine on green, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, an unused vertical strip of five, marginal from the right hand side of the sheet with full sheet margins and centre line, of fresh bright colour, some paper adherence on central stamp, large part or unmounted og. A scarce and most attractive multiple Gi = £ 950+.	47	*/**	**350**	*(€ 320)*
4529	1908 (June 12): Brunei River, $ 5 carmine on green, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, a used example cancelled by neat "Brunei" cds (Dec 29, 1910) in black. Slight corner bend not affecting the superb appearance Gi = £ 350.	47		**120**	*(€ 110)*
4530	1908/10: Brunei River $ 25 black on red, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, an unused example of fine appearance, slightly disturbed part og. A scarce stamp. Cert. BPA (1981) Gi = £ 650.	48	*	**220**	*(€ 200)*

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A village along the Brunei River

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4531	1908/10: Brunei River $ 25 black on red, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, a used block of four backed on to rice paper, marginal from left of sheet showing centre line, cancelled by two strikes of TUTONG circular datestamp (Oct 10, 1912) in black. Extremely rare in period usage and a most attrative multiple Gi = £ 5'200+.	48	⊞	**2'000**	*(€ 1'840)*

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ex 4535

ex 4536

4532	1908/10: Brunei River $ 25 black on red, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, a cto used example with first type BRUNEI circular datestamp (Aug 14), year unclear ('-3') in black but an attractive example of this scarce stamp.	48		**300**	*(€ 275)*
4533	1916: Colour changes, 5 c. orange and 10 c. ultramarine, wmk. Multiple Crown CA, the unused set of two values together with the set of two overprinted SPECIMEN in black - these last both being illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2420, the 8 c. on small part of the De La Rue page and endorsed *"Jan 12"* in red manuscript. Thus these two values were already prepared some four years prior to issue.	49/50+ 49s/50s spec	*/(*)	**200**	*(€ 185)*
4534	1922 (March 31): Malaya-Borneo Exhibition, the complete set of nine values used, all cancelled by BRUNEI circular datestamp (April 22, 1922) in black. A rare set Gi = £ 800.	51/59		**300**	*(€ 275)*
4535	1922 (March 31): Malaya-Borneo Exhibition, the complete set of nine values unused, each stamp from the eighth vertical row and showing variety "Short first "I" in EXHIBITION", largely fresh and fine, minor rice paper adherence on part og. An extremely scarce set thus Gi = £ 360+.	51a/59a	*	**150**	*(€ 140)*
4536	1922: Malaya Borneo Exhibition, the large part set of eight values unused, all showing "Broken "N" in EXHIBITION" variety (6th and 12th vertical rows), excluding the $ 1 value, mainly fresh and fine, 5 c. creased, typically browned large part og. Gi = £ 270.	51c/59c ex 58c	*	**100**	*(€ 90)*

Short first 'I' in EXHIBITION"

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4537	1922: Malaya Borneo Exhibition 2 c. black & brown, 5 c. orange variety "Short first "I" in EXHIBITION" and 10 c. purple on yellow used on 1922 registered cover to Malacca tied by BRUNEI datestamps (May 22) in black. Registration cachet at left and reverse with Labuan cds (May 23), Singapore cds (May 29) and Jasin / Malacca arrival cds (May 30). Some age spots but a scarce issue on cover. *Provenance: Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1059.*	52+ 55b+ 56	✉	**350**	*(€ 320)*

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4538	1922 (March 31): Malaya-Borneo Exhibition, 50 c. black on blue-green, an unused block of four, marginal from top of sheet, positions 4 and 5 showing the re-entries on position 4 on "R" and "N" of BRUNEI and position 5 showing re-entries on "RUNE" (see illustrations with the lot), some soiling on margin and hinged to prevent separation but a scarce positional multiple, typical somewhat aged large part og. Scarce Gi = £ 180+.	58 var	⊞*	**100**	*(€ 90)*
4539	1922 (March 31): Malaya-Borneo Exhibition, $ 1 black & red on blue, an unused block of four, marginal from top of sheet, positions 8 and 18, the right hand vertical pair, each showing variety "Short first "I" in EXHIBITION", of fine appearance but for stain in margin at top left, hinged for protection on large part og. Scarce Gi = £ 400+.	59+ 59a	⊞*	**150**	*(€ 140)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4540	1923: De La Rue Essay for the 12 c. value, photographic Essay Imperforate and affixed to thick card (112 x 89 mm.), printed in sepia but with frame around Duty Plates hand-painted in pale sepia, the view of Brunei river showing central cloud in background, marked "A" at top left and *"Dupl."* at lower left, dated in manuscript "6th July 23". Illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2421. Superb and rare.		(*)	**850**	*(€ 780)*
4541	1923: De La Rue Essay for the 12 c. value, photographic Essay, Imperforate and affixed to thick card (112 x 89 mm.), printed in sepia but with frame around Duty Plates hand-painted in pale sepia, the view of Brunei river showing central hills and less cloud in background and house prominent in the foreground, marked "B" at top left and *"Dupl."* at lower left. Illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2421. Superb and rare.	74 Essay	(*)	**850**	*(€ 780)*
4542	1923: De La Rue Essay for the 12 c. value, photographic Essay, Imperforate and affixed to thick card (112 x 89 mm.), printed in sepia but with frame around Duty Plates hand-painted in pale sepia, the view of Brunei river showing central hills reduced and 'stormier' clouds in background and two houses more prominent in the foreground, marked "C" at top left and *"Dupl."* at lower left. Illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2421. Superb and rare.	74 Essay	(*)	**850**	*(€ 780)*

ex 4543

4543	1924/37: Brunei River, De La Rue Imperforate Proofs (4) printed from Key and Duty Plates, on watermarked Multiple Script Crown CA paper, for q c. value in deep black, 2 c. in brown, 2 c. in grey-black and 4 c. in orange; probably pulled in November 1932, fresh and very fine, without gum. A rare group.	60+ 61+ 65 Proofs	(*)	**500**	*(€ 460)*

4544

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4544	1924/37: 2 c. brown, 3 c. green, 4 c. maroon, 5 c. orange-yellow and 10 c. purple on yellow, all in horizontal strips of three, overprinted SPECIMEN in black (Type D16), the strips as despatched by the UPU, applied to large piece and cancelled upon receipt by circular "POSTES ET TELEGRAPHES / MADAGASCAR / COLLECTION DU BERNE" in red. Superb and unique.	61s+ 63s+ 64s+ 66s+ 73s	△	**600**	*(€ 550)*

ex 4545

4545	1923/26: De La Rue archival Proofs (11) all sadly removed from the page in the De La Rue archives (see "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP, page 2420), all on Multiple Script CA watermarked paper with 1 c. black overprinted SPECIMEN in red *"Jan 1926 single col."*, 2 c. brown optd. SPECIMEN in black *"Oct 23, Single Colour Plate"*, 3 c. green optd. SPECIMEN in black *"Oct 23, Single Colour Plate"*, 2 c. green imperforate with hooded perforated SPECIMEN, 4 c. maroon optd. SPECIMEN in black *"Oct 23, Single Colour Plate"*, 4 c. orange optd. SPECIMEN in red, 5 c. grey defaced and optd. SPECIMEN in red, 6 c. intense black optd. SPECIMEN in in black *"60 set, Dec1923"*, 6 c. scarlet imperforate optd. SPECIMEN in violet, 10 c. purple on yellow optd. SPECIMEN in black *"Oct 23, Single Colour Plate"*, and 12 c. blue optd. SPECIMEN in black *"60 set, Dec1923"*, some with imperfections but a unique group.	60s-74s spec	△	**1'000**	*(€ 920)*

4546

View of Jesselton

4546	1924/37: 1 c. black, two vertical pairs used on 1928 cover endorsed *'Post Office, Brunei'* mailed to Jesselton, North Borneo tied by BRUNEI circular datestamps (Oct 22) in black. Reverse with Labuan transit cds (Oct 23) and Jesselton arrival cds (Oct 25) in black. A scarce and most attractive cover.	60	✉	**200**	*(€ 185)*

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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4547	1924/37: 5 c. orange-yellow, wmk. Multiple Script CA, an unused example, showing variety "Retouch to "5" in top left value tablet" (Row 1, stamp 8), fresh and very fine, browned large part og. A scarce stamp Gi = £325.	66a	*	**120**	*(€ 110)*

Principal Street Labuan

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4548 1911: 1 c. green (II) and 1924 5 c. orange-yellow (showing "5" retouch in value tablet at top left), used on 1926 cover and marked in red manuscript as unaccepted for postage as mailed in Labuan (Feb 10) and also struck with unframed "T" mark in black. Handstruck "3d./I.S.A." applied on arrival and this amount collected with 3 d. mauve Postage Due tied by 'Croydon' cds (March 16) on arrival. Envelope with closed tear but most unusual.
Provenance: Collection "Jacqui O", RL, London, 19 Nov 1980, lot 1082
Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1063. — 66a+ 35 — ✉ — **350** — *(€ 320)*

4549 1924/37: 5 c. grey, a fine used example on 1932 printed cover to Labuan, straight line PAQUEBOT in black at left and the adhesive tied by LABUAN cds on arrival (April 11) in black with further strike of the Labuan datestamp on reverse. A fine cover.
Provenance: Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1070. — 67 — ✉ — **200** — *(€ 185)*

4550 1924/37: 5 c. grey, wmk. Multiple Script CA, an unused example, marginal from top of sheet, showing variety "Retouch to "5" in top left value tablet" (Row 1, stamp 8), fresh and very fine, large part og. A rare stamp. Cert. BPA (1981) Gi = £ 550. — 67a — * — **240** — *(€ 220)*

4551

		Gibbons	Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4551	1924/37: 5 c. chocolate used on 15 c. blue registered postal stationery envelope (146 x 92 mm.) used to Kuching, Sarawak and tied by BELAIT circular datestamp (Oct 5, 1936) in black. Registration label at left and reverse with Miri (Oct 8) and Kuching (Oct 11) cds's in black. Slight envelope trim at left but a very scarce and attractive usage. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 1994.* *Harmers, London, 10 March 1998, lot 1073.*	68 ✉	**250**	*(€ 230)*

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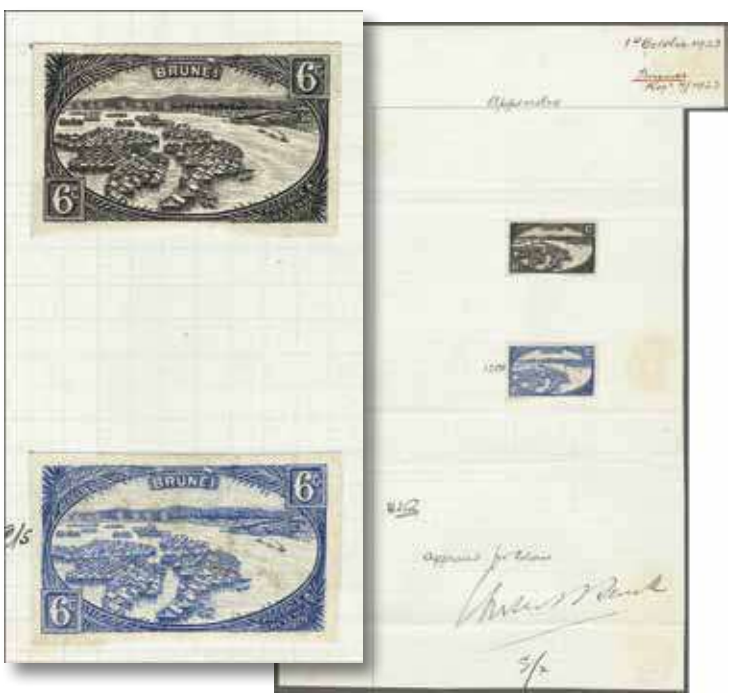

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4552	1924/37: 5 c. chocolate, wmk. Multiple Script CA, an unused example, showing variety "Retouch to "5" in top left value tablet" (Row 1, stamp 8), fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce stamp Gi = £325.	68a *	**140**	*(€ 130)*
4553	1923: De La Rue Proofs of the 6 c. black and 6 c. blue (annotated *"12 c."*), Imperforate and applied to the De Las Rue Appendix sheet dated at top *"1st Oct 1923 / Brunei Reqn. 7/23"*, showing the two completed designs, with "Approved for colour" at base and signed off as accepted (on Oct 9). Illustrated in "The De La Rue Collection" edited by Frank Walton RDP on page 2422. Superb and unique.	69+ 74 Proof (*)	**1'200**	*(€ 1'105)*

4554

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4554	1924: 6 c. intense black and 12 c. blue, each in vertical strip of three, the strips as despatched by the UPU, applied to large piece and cancelled upon receipt by circular "POSTES ET TELEGRAPHES / MADAGASCAR / COLLECTION DU BERNE" in red. Superb and unique.	69s+ 74s	△	**250**	*(€ 230)*

ex 4555

ex 4556

4555	1941; Unissued Values with 2 c. orange, 3 c. green, 6 c, greenish-grey perf. 14 x 11½, 8 c. red and 15 c. ultramarine, wmk. Multiple Script CA, all sheet marginal examples, fresh and very fine, some yellowing to large part og. A very scarce group See the SG footnote Gi = £ 800+.		*	**250**	*(€ 230)*
4556	1947/51: Brunei River, colour changes, wmk. Multiple Script CA, the set of fourteen values, perforated hooded SPECIMEN, fresh and very fine, unmounted og. All with green triangular Pyramid handstamp on reverse applied by Bileski after the King Farouk auction sale in 1954. Scarce and very fine set Gi = £ 350. *Provenance: King Farouk of Egypt, Harmers, Cairo, Feb 1954.*	79s/92s spec	**	**150**	*(€ 140)*
4557	1947/51: 2 c. black, perf. 14 x 13½, an unused block of four, marginal from top of sheet, first stamp showing "Redrawn Clouds" variety (Row 1, stamp 1), unmounted og., and 5 c. orange perf. 14 x 14 with "Retouch to "5" in top left corner", and 5 c. orange perf. 14 x 13½ with "Retouch to "5" in top left corner", fine large part og. A scarce group Gi = £ 295+.	80ac+ 82a+ 82c	⊞*/**	**120**	*(€ 110)*
4558	1924/38: Brunei River, wmk. Multiple Script CA, the unused set of nineteen unused, fair to fine, large part og., and the 1947/51 set of twenty-two (with perf. varieties) unused, fresh and fine,1952 Sultan Omar set of fourteen unused, large part og. Generally fine (63 stamps) Gi = £ 480+.	60/113	*/**	**140**	*(€ 130)*

4559

Japanese landing off the coast of Brunei

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
4559	**Japanese Occupation** 1942/44: $ 5 carmine on green, overprinted "Imperial Japanese Government" in violet, an unused block of four, marginal from base of sheet, of splendid rich colour, unusually fine, large part og. A very rare stamp, especially so in a multiple. Signed Milo D. Rowell Gi = £ 4'000+. *Provenance: Collection "Jacqui O", Robson Lowe, London, 19 Nov 1980, lot 1110.*	J18	⊞*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'840)*

4560

Imperial Japanese Army in Brunei

4560	**Japanese Occupation** 1942/44: $ 25 black on red, overprinted "Imperial Japanese Government", an unused block of four, marginal from base of sheet, of splendid rich colour, usual typically dried gum. A very rare stamp, especially so in a multiple. Signed Milo D. Rowell Gi = £ 4'000+. *Provenance: Collection "Jacqui O", Robson Lowe, London, 19 Nov 1980, lot 1113.*	J19	⊞*	**2'000**	*(€ 1'840)*