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SPECIAL 2015.2 v.4 - TROON¹

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This is a part of a series published online which summarizes, supplemented by recent discoveries, information published over the years in IslandsKontakt and elsewhere. We must all be grateful for the sustained efforts of all those who, over the years, as Editors or Authors have contributed to the gathering and dissemination of information relevant to the philately of Iceland.

This article is special no. 2, and Troon in Ayrshire, Scotland, as a transit port for Icelandic mail in the period 1897 to about 1923 is the subject of this report.

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Through use over years of service it is inevitable that post office handstamps should show signs of wear. The two principal types of material for the manufacture of these handstamps are metal (brass or steel) and rubber. Damage to a metal handstamp will show as bumps or breaks on the periphery or on the text. The damage to rubber handstamps will be caused by the flexible nature of the rubber and the effect of unsuitable inks which cause the rubber to stretch and otherwise to deteriorate. The rubber paquebot handstamps used in Edinburgh show such damage and this makes them difficult to classify (and it may be that the office was issued with more than one example of a particular manufacture leading to independent deterioration on each example).

Pór Porsteins has compiled a list of sailings from Iceland. Here, this list as it applies to any given port is reproduced with, where possible, examples of mail with the carrier and sailing identified. A sailing may appear on the list with no recorded cover or card, but because it was listed as carrying mail, there is hope that an example will turn up at some future time.

The tables are organized as follows:

Date of cancellation	Comments	Vessel carrying mail ** 4
in Iceland or date		

² V1 together with and with great participation from Wilbur Jonsson.

¹ Updated December 2019

⁴ ** The name of the vessel is mentioned: when on a list from Pór Þorsteins; on the letter; traced from Icelandic newspapers.

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for departure from	
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Island * 3	
Island	

The primary purpose of this article and the accompanying listing is to match each cover/cards, usually from Iceland, but where appropriate, the Faroes, with the vessel that carried the item. As a bonus to this listing is the possibility of a census of the occurrence of the various ship letter and paquebot marks seen on mail from Iceland.

Note that the Postal Authorities (GPO) of the United Kingdom made a distinction between incoming and outgoing ship letters. Incoming ship letters might receive a handstamp of the point of entry. Outgoing ship letters are identified by an annotation on the address panel such as "by private ship" or more specifically "by [name of vessel]". Circulars were issued on a regular basis listing private vessels which would take mail, together with sailing dates and destinations. Use was made of this service because it could be quicker than the Packet (i.e. the official mail boat).

Troon in Ayrshire, Scotland as a transit port for Icelandic mail in the period 1897 to about 1923 is the subject of this report. Of the town and its harbor, Wikipedia tells us:

"The Duke of Portland took the existing natural harbor on the north side of the headland and added docks. Later improvements included increasing the protection afforded by the headland with an artificial "ballast bank" made from the dumped ballast of incoming merchant ships. And from 1812 Troon was the terminus of a horse-drawn railway connecting it to the Duke's coal mines around Kilmarnock. This was not licensed for passengers, a minor technicality evaded by weighing those wishing to travel and charging them freight rates."

Of interest also are the two Ship Letter marks and four circular date stamps (abbreviated CDS) which appear on mail from Iceland, usually as transit cancels and (perhaps) occasionally in lieu of paquebot cancels (in the sense of the UPU regulation, which came into effect 17 January 1894, governing uncancelled mail arriving, usually with foreign stamps, at a port). Surprisingly, all the recorded covers/cards with the boxed mark also have an Icelandic postmark.

This register of Troon marks on mail from Iceland shows that the scarcity of the boxed Troon Ship Letter mark has been grossly exaggerated.

List of Troon Transit Marks

The two Ship Letter marks

1) Oval GR metal ship letter handstamps were issued to various ports, including Troon, sometime around 1814 during the reign of King George III.

This mark is known used in 1832 (and is quite rare from that period) then again in 1897 and 1898 by which time the mark had suffered wear and the R (for Rex) could be mistaken for an H.

Two items from the Faroes and one from Iceland in 1897 are recorded with this handstamp, as well as one item from Iceland in 1898.

This makes four examples of the mark recorded on mail from Iceland and the Faroes before the boxed two line Troon /Ship Letter brass metal handstamp was manufactured by Kirkwood at the beginning of 1899 and forwarded to Troon by the postal authorities on 4 February 1897).

³ * Indicate, that the departure date from Iceland is estimated because the only dates known are the arrival date at the port and, if there is one, the date of the Icelandic postmark.

This mark is catalogued in Robertson as S1 and by Hosking 4th edition as 5205. ⁵

This mark appears as a type in James A. Mackay, "Scottish Post Marks" as no. 1646, but Troon is not discussed in the text on page 123.



Here is one of the four examples, a Brjefspjald to Silkeborg in Denmark send from Reykjavik 5.8.1897.



2) Rectangular boxed two line cancel SHIP LETTER/TROON



This mark is Robertson S2 and he indicates the handstamp was sent to Troon on Feb 4 1899. He records the earliest and latest dates as 1904 and 1912. It is shown in James A. Mackay, "Scottish Post Marks" as no. 1674 and Hosking 4th edition as 325 indicating use from 1900 until1912. Now items with the boxed ship letter mark of Troon are known from 1900 to 1914.

Oddly, all the items here recorded for the boxed handstamp have been cancelled by the Icelandic Post Office reducing the use of the Troon marks to the role of transit cancellations. From other ports, letters with the

⁵ Illustrations of marks in Cockrill, Studd, Hosking, Dovey and Morris, Seeposter ... are based on drawings and cannot always be trusted for fine detail such as relative placement of letters or size of ornaments. For such details, look to the illustrated covers/cards

postmark of the port as the first cancellation are known: such mail required a paquebot mark in order to satisfy the UPU regulation which came into force 17 January 1894.

DAMAGE to the canceller: Sometime after 10 10 1906 handstamp for the boxed mark must have been dropped or been damaged in some way or other way the later applications of the mark all show a dent in at the top of the right hand Framed S/L line as well as two breaks in the top Framed S/L line. There also is a dent in the bottom Framed S/L line and a smaller one just after the "N". Not long after this a larger bump appears below the first "O" of Troon.

- 3. The Circular Date Stamps of Troon on Icelandic mail
- 1) Small single ring (thimble) circular date stamp of which there are two versions (perhaps the same hammer slightly modified):
- a) one with the letter "A" above the date (according to Schilling, known on mail from 1901 to 1904),6



b) the other with an empty space above the date (recorded on two pair of 20 aur red Christian X stamps).



- 2) Double ring circular date stamp of which there are two types:
- a) twin arcs also referred to as wings) enclosing the town name Troon at the top and the office number 330 at the bottom. The type is no. 538 in "Scottish Post Marks" by Mackay.



b) Twin arcs or wings enclosing the town name Troon at the top and a cross at the bottom. ⁷

⁶ The type is no. 720 in "Scottish Post Marks" by Mackay. It is used on Icelandic mail SP 13 04 – see below.

⁷ In the language of Heraldry this is the "cross pattee" (i.e. with feet) which appears on items of the regalia of the United Kingdom as well as being the shape of various military medals. The Maltese cross has the form of an eight-pointed star.



It was repaired as recorded in the Kirkwood proof book



Mail in transit through the Troon office is known without the Ship Letter mark, having received only a Troon CDS of one or other type. According to Schilling used from 1906 to 1912 – but it appears in 1904. These particular circular date stamps of Troon are not explicitly referred to by James A: Mackay in his rather comprehensive book "Scottish Post Marks, but the type is no. 538.

REGISTER OF SAILINGS FROM REYKJAVIK TO TROON WITH, WHERE POSSIBLE, EXAMPLES OF MAIL CARRIED WHICH RECEIVED A TROON TRANSIT MARK

For a particular sailing to be in the following tables, the ship must be known to have carried mail and to have made its first British port of call Troon.

Troon transit mark to be linked to the ship that carried the item from Iceland. A sailing may appear on the list with no recorded cover or card -but an example might well turn up in the future. The task of recording continues.

TRANGISVAAG	TROON JU 9 97 (Robertson S.1 and	
9.6.1897	twin arc with 330)	



- And on the back side:







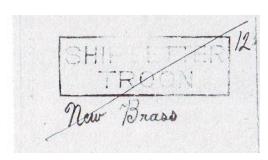
05.08.1897 To Silkeborg. Robertson S.1



⁸ Letter 1897. 8 ore black / red on cover from TRANGISVAAG 06.06.1897 to Copenhagen sent via Troon where it received the transit cancels: TROON JU 9 97 (twin arc with 330); the oval Canc. TROON SHIP LETTER. Sent from the corvette DAGMAR.

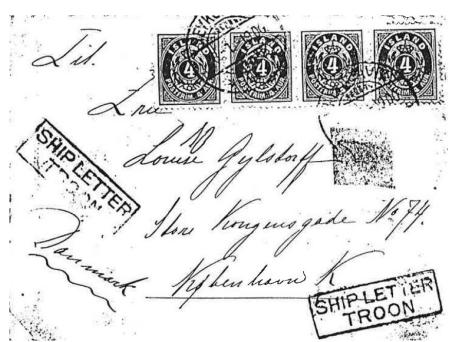
0?.09.1899	Troon SP 12 99 (3.a)	

The box SHIP LETTER TROON is recorded in the Kirkwood proof book in 1899:



08.01.1900	Troon JA 16 00 (330) + Framed S/L. Same day only with Framed S/L ⁹	





15.01.1900	Only FRAMED S/L	SS Colibri
06.02.1900	Troon FE 14 00 - (330) on single stamp	
	and with Framed S/L on letter	

⁹ The date is from Per Olav Abrahamson – it is a bit unclear - letter with 4x4 aur.









03.05.1900 FRAMED S/L - Swedish "svarkort" 10

 $^{^{10}}$ Answer part of double cart returned from REYKJAVIK 3.5.1900 via Troon, England, and Sassnitz, Germany, to Stockholm. Framed S/L cancellation SHIPLETTER TROON, and bridge SASSNITZ-TRELLEBORG 19.5.00.



07.12.1900 * Only Troon DE 14 00 ??			Only Troon DE 14 00 ??	07.12.1900 *
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Same ship as:

11.12.1900	Troon DE 22 00 on back and Framed S/L	
	on the front	





15.01.1901	Only FRAMED S/L		
28.08.1901	330 and FRAMED S/L	From Faroe Island	



03.09.1901		
08.09.1901	Troon SP 15 01 Two (SR) and one with	
	only (303)	







The next has same handwriting but different cancellation (330)

¹¹ Another card is also sent to Solingen but to a different recipient.







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KOPENHAGEN. REYKJAVIK. AKRANES. ETABLIERT 1858.

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Reykjavík, Datum des Poststempels.

Für mein Engrosgeschäft bitte ich um gef. Zusendung von Ihrer illustrierten Preisliste mit billigsten Notierungen und höchstem Rabatt für Baarzahlung.

Offerten, eventuell mit Muster ohne Wert beigelegt, sind in 2 Exemplaren erwünscht, das eine an meine hiesige Adresse, das andere nach meinem Kontore in Kopenhagen.

Um aller billigste Preise zu erhalten, bin ich eventuell bereit, Zahlung mit dem Auftage einzusenden.

Referenzen durch die Handelsbank und die Landmandsbank Kopenhagen, die Landsbanki Islands Reykjavik, und durch alle bessere deutsche Auskunftsbureaus.

Hochachtungsvoll

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20.09.1901	Troon OC 01 01 (330) + FRAMED S/L	S/S Kronprinsesse Victoria
21.09.1901	And only FRAMED S/L ¹²	_

 $^{^{\}rm 12}\,$ Folmer Østergaard i NFT 2 1987

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¹³ Postiljonen 197 # 358



05.11.1901	"Olaf's kart" see IslandsKontakt 37 page	S/S Eros
07.11.1901	19 f. Hviid-cart	

¹⁴ FromThomsen too





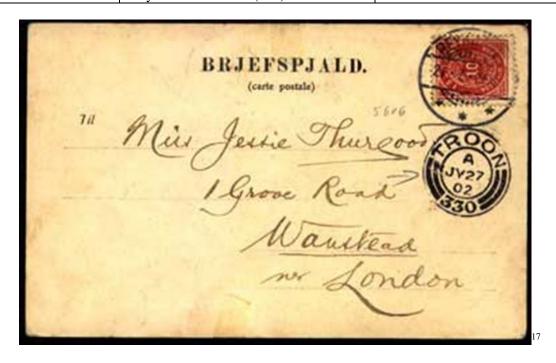
 $^{^{15}}$ at least two known - produced by Hviid

11.04.1902 Fra Isafjord - Troon AP 26 02 (330) + FRAMED S/L



19.06.1902	Troon JU 28 02 (330) ¹⁶	

21.07.1902 Only Troon JY 27 02 (330)



 $^{^{16}}$ Information from Orla Nielsen

 $^{^{17}}$ Viking auction 23. Marts 06 lot # 410



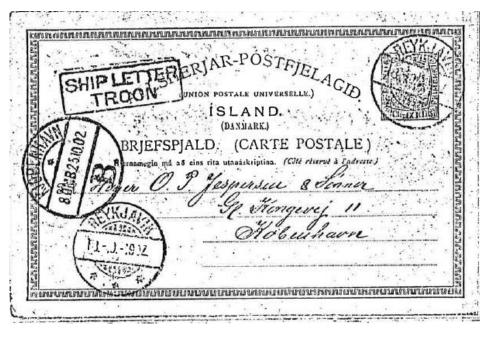


13.10.1902	Only FRAMED S/L ¹⁸	
15.10.1902		
18.10.1902	Copenhagen 25.10.1902	

¹⁸ Cancelled Reykjavik 15.10.02- arrival Canada 06.11.1902 and on copy Viking auction. 9.10.2003 lot # 572 arr. Copenhagen 25.10.1902



Text from the auction catalog: Cover with 41 aur franking consisting of a pair of 3 aur yellow, 5 aur dull green single and a strip of five of 6 aur dark grey sent to Winnipeg, Manitoba and then re-directed to North Dakota, USA. The stamps with crown canc. "ÆGISSÍÐA", on back transit canc. "HRAUNGERÐI 14.10", "REYKJAVÍK 15.10", "TROON OCT 02". On front "SHIP LETTER TROON" and arrival canc. "WINNIPEG NOV 6 02". Slightly reduced at left. RARE.





10 aur postal stationery card sent to Denmark canc. "REYKJAVÍK 18.10.1902". Transit canc. with boxed "SHIP LETTER TROON" and arrival canc. "KJØBENHAVN Ø 26.10.02".

22.01.1903		Isafold
28.02.1903	Tron MR 8 1903 (330) + FRAMED S/L	Isafold
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05.05.1903	Fra Isafjord / Troon MY 12 03	
06.06.1903		Alacrity
00.00.1703		Machty
03.07.1903		Saga
17.07.1903	Troon JY 24 03 - set i Forum 2000 +	Ansgarius
18.07.1903	FRAMED S/L (330)	Tinisguitus

¹⁹ Viking: Marts 2006 lot # 518





 $^{^{20}}$ Cavendish 616 lot# 1458 - Postiljonen 188 # 420 I GILDI, perf. 12 3/4 single on postcard from "REYKJAVIK 17.7.1903" to Coventry, England. Framed S/Ld "SHIP LETTER / TROON" and c.d.s. "TROON JY 24 03". Another exist with same date and handwriting.

25.07.1903 Ship Letter Troon Scandia



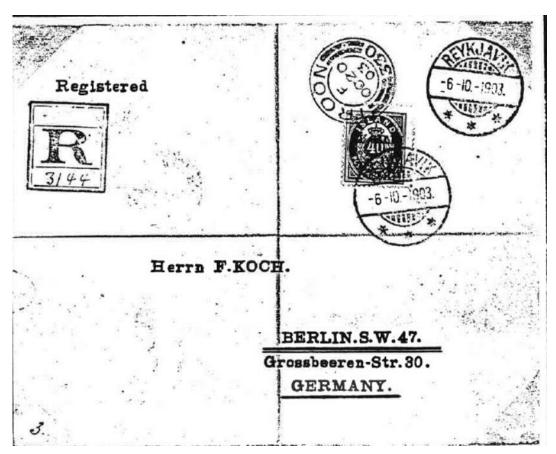
10 aur, rød, tk.12. Parstykke på brev fra Reykjavik 25.7.1903 til Sakskøbing, Danmark. Rammestempel SHIP LETTER TROON. Påtegnet Via England eller Norge. På bagsiden transitstempel TROON

29.07.1903 Troon (330) AU 4 03 Scandia	
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07.09.1903	Troon (330) OC 20 03 (it was a long trip	Ansgarius
	<pre>- see the following!!)</pre>	
06.10.1903	Troon (330) OC 20 03	
08.10.1903	Troon (330) OC 20 03	
12.10.1903		







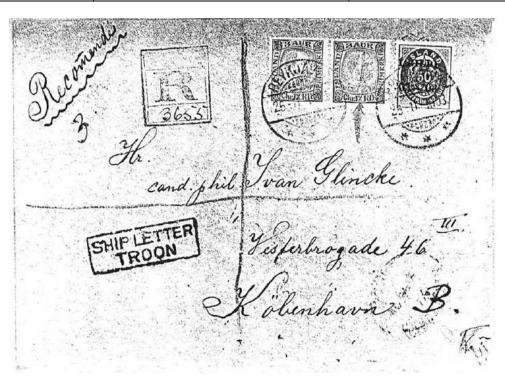
The Troon OC (20) 03 date is on the back



The following Reykjavik 8.10 – Troon 20.10 – London 21.10 and Munich 22.10.2003



18.11.1903		Isafold
25.11.1903	Troon $02.12.03 + FRAMED S/L - and$	
	one with (330) ²¹	
26.11.1903	Troon 02.12.03 + FRAMED S/L ²² ²³	



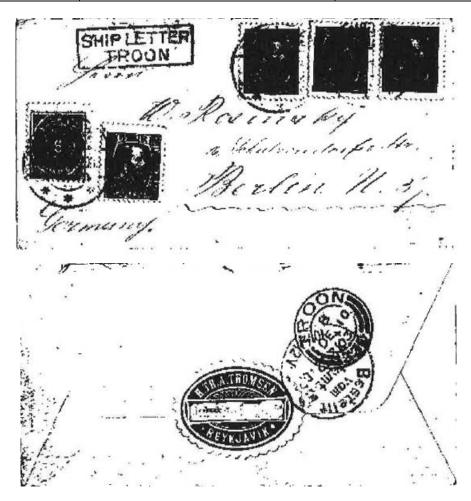
²¹ Send to Bern without text.
²² The information from the back of the letter is from Tor Jensen – it now belong to Ebbe Eldrup. It vent over Glasgow – London to Copenhagen. 50

aur I Gildi +3x3 aur Chr. IX ²³ Same day registered letter med 20+10+6 aur I gildi to Bern and postcard to the same (next page).





27.11.1903	FRAMED $S/L + (330)$ on the back DE	Breifond
01.12.1903	10 03	



OG så tre til samme





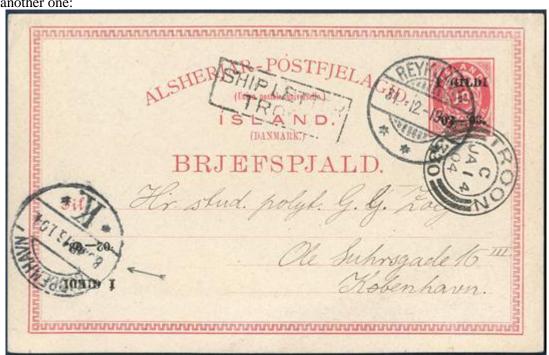


05.01.1904

Troon JA 14 04 - FRAMED $S/L + 330^{24}$



Here is another one:



 24 Several cards with same both dates from Reykjavik were produced to the same recipient see IslandsKontakt #103 p. 21 and # 104 p. 4



13.02.1904		Saga
07.04.1904	Only round Troon SP 13 04 ²⁶	Breifond

²⁵ Illustration from Robertson: Ship Letter

²⁶ Højland 99 2993.



15.04.1904		Nanna
18.05.1904		Isafold
0?.08.1904	Troon AU 07 04 + FRAMED S/L.	
	From Borganes "149"	



14.08.1904	Carlotta
21.08.1904	Brage

07.09.1904	Troon SP 13 04 (3a)	Patria or with Breiforss
07.09.1904	Troon SP 13 04 (3a) ²⁷	Breifond or with Patria
25.10.1904 *	Only Troon OC 28 04 - CDS twin arcs,	Saga
	cross	-



08.11.1904	Brage
07.12.1904	Breifond
07.112.117.01	
24.12.1904	Nohr

²⁷ Højland 99 #2993

12.07.1905	Troon JY 17 05 - CDS twin arcs, cross +	
	FRAMED S/L	





Tekst Franke: 5 aur King Chr. IX BRJEFSPJALD, Schilling #16 sent from Reykjavik to Brünlos, Sachsen. Add. franked with 5 aur green King Chr. IX paying for 10 aur foreign post card rate. Sent via UK, and stamped with boxed "SHIP LETTER - TROON" alongside "TROON JY 17, 05".

10.04.1906 *	Only Troon AP 20 06 - CDS twin arcs,	Gambetta
14.04.1906	cross	





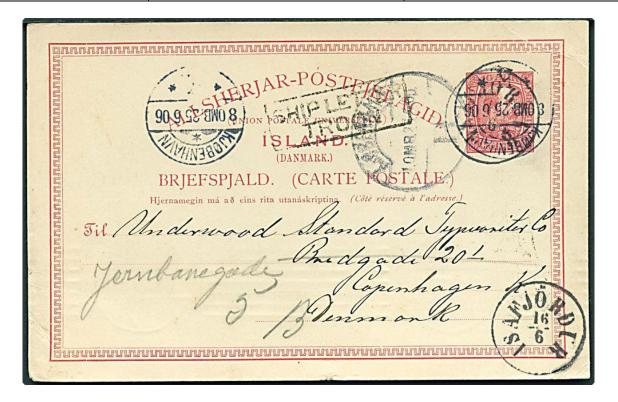


10.10.1905 FRAMED S/L





16.6.1906 ²⁸ FRAMED S/L



²⁸ Date 16.6 when send from Isafjord. Arrived in Copenhagen 25.6.1906

26.07.1906	29	Gambetta
14.09.1906	FRAMED S/L and - CDS twin arcs,	Ansgarius
	cross SP 20 06	





²⁹ Islandsklubbens aukt 1.11.08 lot 1191. Sendt Eyrarbakka 26.8 06.



10.10.1906 Only FRAMED S/L Urania



³⁰ See the same recipient SEP 06



And to the same:



10.10.1906 to the same in Belgium



17.10.1906	Troon OC 25 06 - CDS twin arcs, cross ³²	Isafold

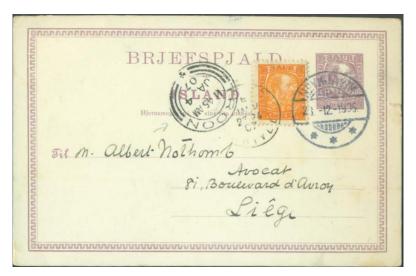
29.11.1906		Gambetta	
29.12.1906	Troon JAN 4 07	Ilderen (eller Idderen	

 $^{^{31}}$ No message on the back on either of them. 32 And Højland 90 # 1259

The following from JA 4 07 are all addressed to the same









"SHIP LETTER TROON" Spjaldbref with additional franking – canceled 28-12-05 (not corrected for 1906), On the back Troon Ja 4 07 and Janv 5-07 Liege.





23.02.1907 Troon MR 01 07 - CDS twin arcs, cross Eros + FRAMED S/L



16.05.1907 17.05.1907	Troon MY 23 07 FRAMED S/L 34	
	Troon MY 23 07 - CDS twin arcs, cross	
	+ FRAMED S/L	

 $^{^{\}rm 33}$ All five to the same recipient (Antonio Torres 2015) $^{\rm 34}$ Fra Olofsvik

23.05.1907 FRAMED S/L Gambetta



17.07.1907	Viking
17.07.1707	·

The following from Faeroe Iceland can be carried with SS Viking



12.08.1907		Adria	
10.09.1907	Troon SP 16 07 + FRAMED S/L	Gambetta	
15.10.1907	25.10.1907 FRAMED S/L + MS	Ansgarius	
16.10.1907			
17.10.1907			





On the front – departure of King Frederik VIII.





This one is rather special: Danish stamp - written in Reykjavik 17.10.07 and send to Denmark via Troon. Canceled in NYBORG-VAMDRUP, Denmark 27.10.07. 35

23.11.1907	Troon NO 30 07 - CDS twin arcs, cross	Isafold
	+ FRAMED S/L (IK # 38 page 10)	

 $^{^{35}}$ See also Iceland Philatelic Magazine # 8, July 2016 page 14, # 27, May 2018 page 5 and # 28 July 2018 page 5.



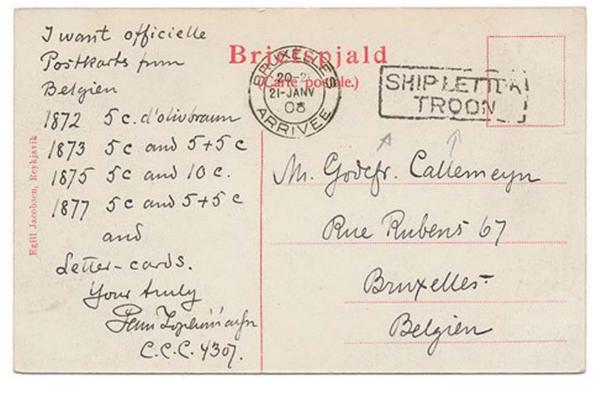
³⁶ Postiljonen 231 # 333

13.01.1908

FRAMED S/L

Vessel ? arrival Haarlem 22.1.1908





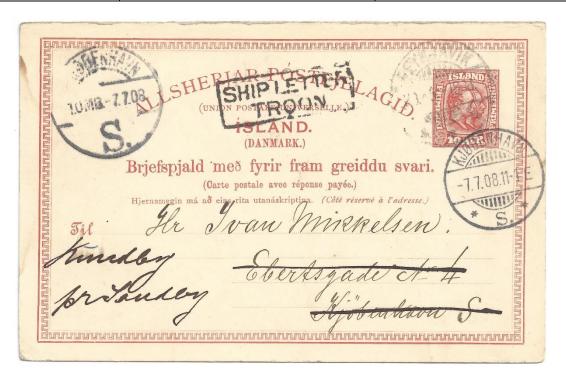
³⁷ Højland 104 # 2118





 $^{^{38}}$ Postiljonen 197 # 442 – same recipient as the next





³⁹ Islandsklubbens Jubilæumsauktion 2015

12.09.1908		Isafold
		,
21.09.1908	FRAMED S/L 40	Agnes
24.09.1908		
29.09.1908		Viking
29.10.1908	Troon NO 6 08 - CDS twin arcs, cross +	Klar
	FRAMED S/L	

⁴⁰ A&A auktion1. nr.166



28.08.1909		Vigsnos
30.09.1909	Troon OC 12 09 - CDS twin arcs, cross –	Klar
	and from there to Hobro 14.10.09!	

07.01.1910		Bauta (eller Paula)
04.04.1910	Troon AP 20 10 - CDS twin arcs, cross +	Naurander
08.04.1910 09.04.1910	FRAMED S/L	
10.04.1910 14.04.1910		





Four lettercards to the same – it might be a continuing story, but I do not know the text.









⁴¹ At least 4 to the same address.





And a card from Austria forwarded to Edinburgh:



11.08.1910	Troon AU 22 10 FRAMED S/L + CDS	Oddfrid ⁴³
(17.08.1910?)	twin arcs, cross ⁴²	

The following letters/lettercards are probably all from passengers onboard OCEANA arriving at Reykjavik 11 August 1910. There was a rather big number of mail:

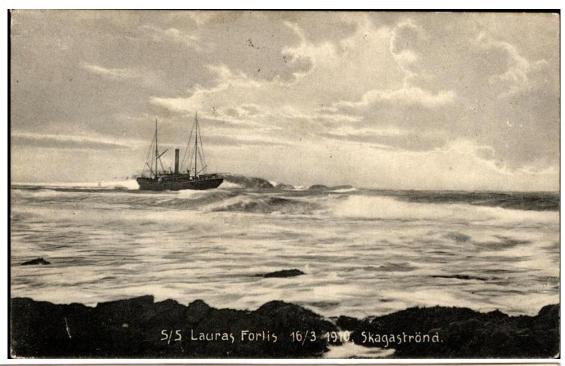
Brjefasendingar farþega á skemtiskipunum þýsku hafa verið frá pósthúsinu hjer, sem hjer segir:

Ár og dagur	Skipsnafn	Tala farþega	Brjef spjöld	Brjcf	Samtals
1909 Júlí 11.	Oceana	350	2482	214	2696
— Ág. 8.	«-	210	2150	90	2240
1910 Júlí 34.	Grosser Kurfürst	330	4496	195	4691
— Júlí 12.	Oceana	270	2674	256	2930
— Ág. 11.	«	250	2962	276	3238
1911 úlí 12.	Cinncinnati	340	5489	391	5880

 $^{^{42}}$ Viking okt.2004 lot # 552 + 3.06 - Højland #130 lot 2694







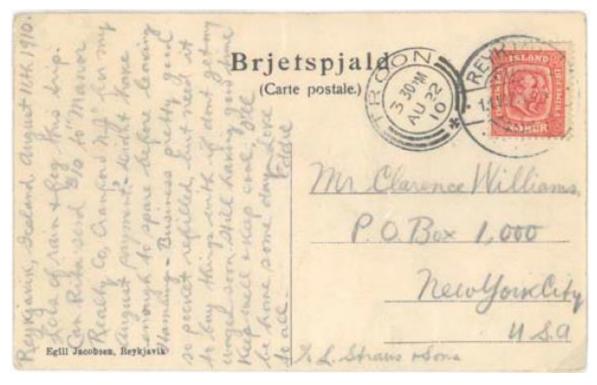


⁴⁴ Postiljonen 201 # 329







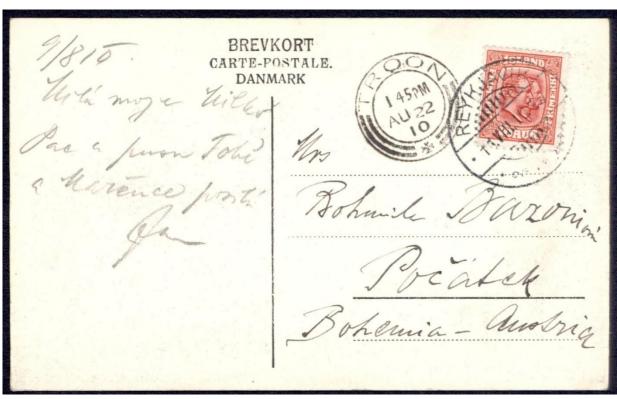




From ISAFJÖRDUR 3.8.1910







08.09.1910	Troon SP 15 01	

10.00.1010	4
1 1 7 110 1 0 1 11	Ronanza
14.07.1710	Bonanza

14.01.1911 (maybe	Troon JA 24 - CDS twin arcs, cross +	Bonanza – left on 16 th for Spain and
15.01)	FRAMED S/L	Italy with fish ⁴⁵



 $^{^{45}}$ SHIP LETTER/TROON-Framed S/Ld mark in black ink on address side of postcard addressed to Russia from the "MARTHA D" at Reykjavik. At left is d/ring TROON/+ dated 24.1.1911. The stamp from the picture side has been removed [floated off]

Von mil Jensen, hin halm fin und Order lingen in Rosinen che. Dikte fin dieseller zu anmillieren, falls miert lesenit abgerandt. Archart die Dlenchaupt Ruh 14/1-11 Dioner Accept nedere in diener Tagen omfallen sind noch niert in Kanden



⁴⁶ For reference – they have been on board SS Oceana (see Queenstown), and the sender is on the front.



04.04.1911		Patria
10.04.1911		Clar (Klar?)
15.08.1911	Troon AU 25 11 CDS twin arcs, cross +	Tryg
18 08 1911	FRAMED S/L	

⁴⁷ Sigurjón Pétursson was born March 9, 1888 and died on May 3 in 1955. He was one of the greatest sporting warrior in Iceland in the second decade of the twentieth century, including Glímukóngur Iceland in 1910-1919, six times the document has Ármanns, a good skater, swimmer, Trekker and frjálsíþróttamaður.









⁴⁸ Højland 94 lot 1538

⁴⁹ Postiljonen 203 #714 – described in Rapport No 167 August 2013 : http://www.islandssamlarna.se/Rapport%20167.pdf by Mike Tuttly

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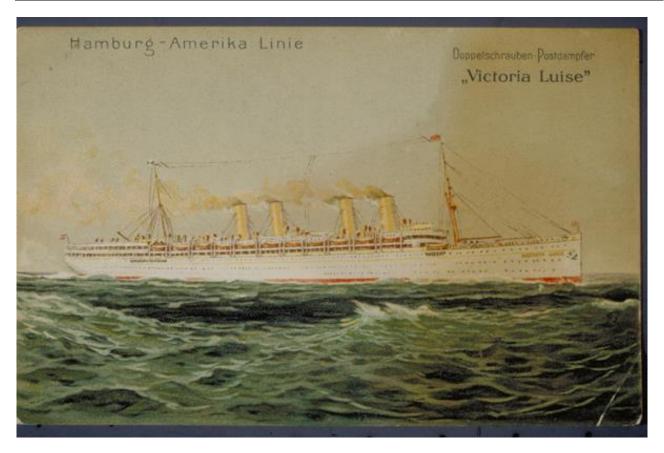
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09.11.1911 Constant

05.12.1911 Constant

06.08.1912 FRAMED S/L + CDS twin arcs, cross Victoria Luise ⁵⁰



Visir 2. May 1912:

"Viktoria Luise, tourist ships from Hamburg American Line, which has been here a few times, will come two times in the summer, according to "Die Welt auf Reisen". First trip begins in Hamburg on July 2 and the ship comes back there 27 sm. The subsequent tour begins July 30 and ends on August 24. On both trips she visit Scotland, Orkney, Faroe Islands, Spitsbergen, and come in various northern ports not visited before, and then to Norway and home." ⁵¹

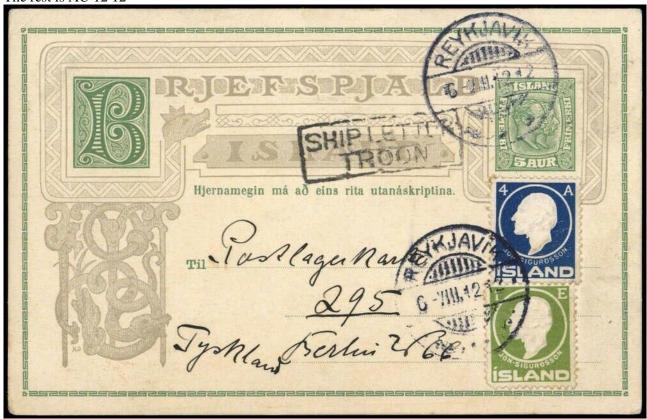
First an odd example from Troon AU 10 12 with Danish stamps – apparently canceled in Reykjavik

 $^{^{\}rm 50}$ Victoria Luise was originally named Deutsland but later renamed.

⁵¹ Google and homemade translation







An Bord des Doppelschrauben-Postdampfers
"Victoria Luise"

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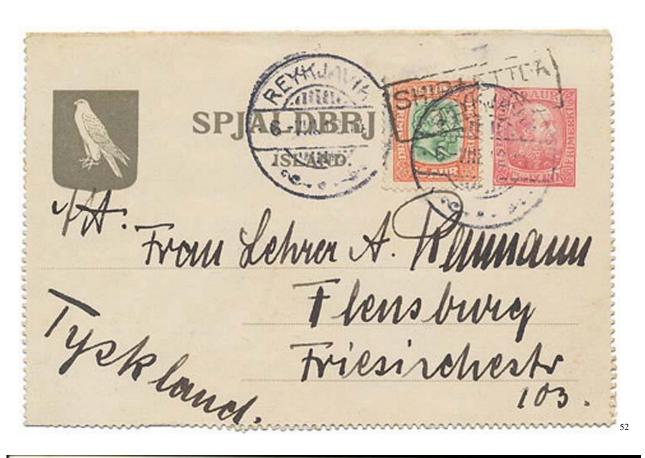
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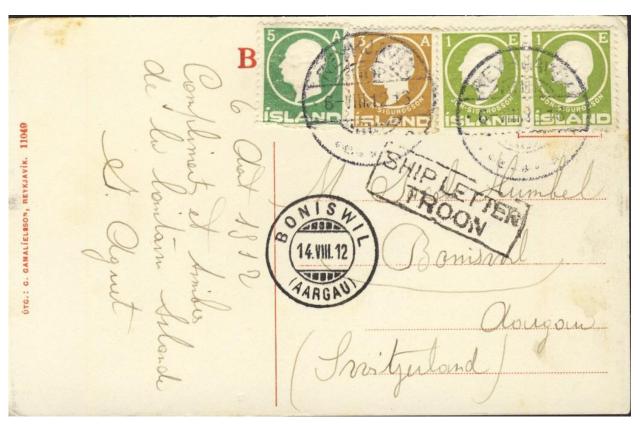








⁵² Postiljonen 231 # 338









 $^{^{53}}$ Viking Frimærker feb. 2006 lot # 6251





Same handwriting:



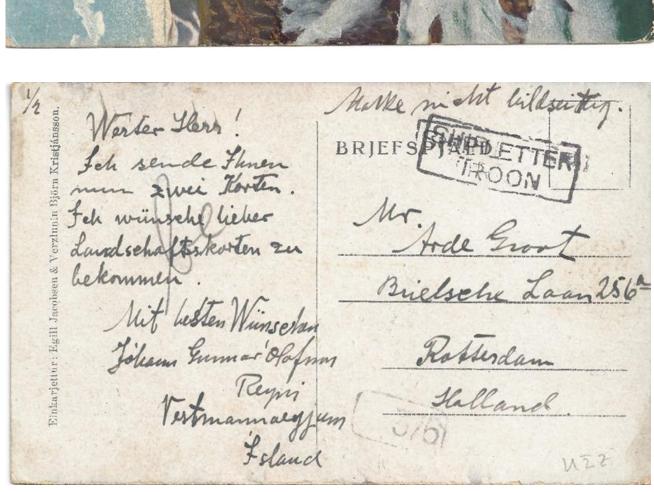
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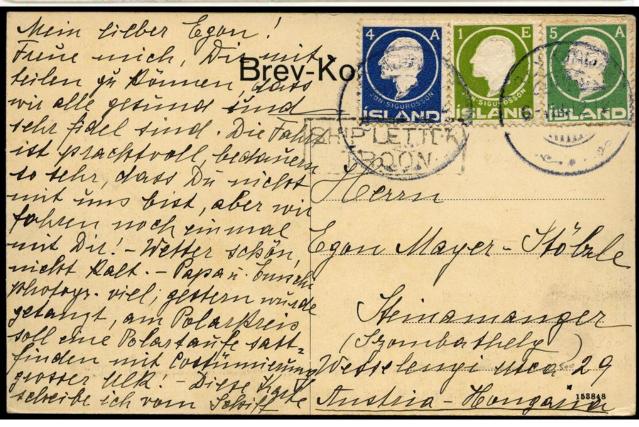






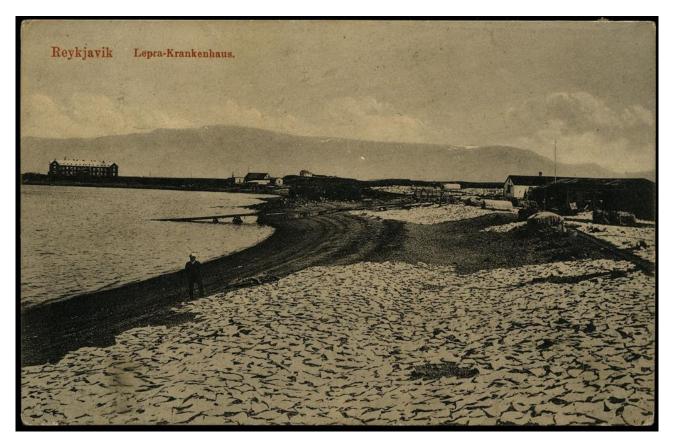






Reykjavik a Island. enhoffe ich Brief von Dir.
Varistud Hinte Manna
Deut Gup Papy
5. Inp. 12







And "Victoria Luise" came from Faeroe Iceland



08.08.1912	Only FRAMED S/L	
06.11.1912		

04.10.1913	Troon 09.10.1913 CDS twin arcs, cross	
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07.02.1914	Only FRAMED S/L	
07.11.1914	Only FRAMED S/L	



⁵⁴ Højland #130 2564

20.04.1915 *	Troon 1 AP 1915	

20.10.1921 Troon 24 OC 21 - (3.c)



08.05.1923	Troon 14 MY 23 - CDS twin arcs, cross	
	with one arc (3.d)	



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