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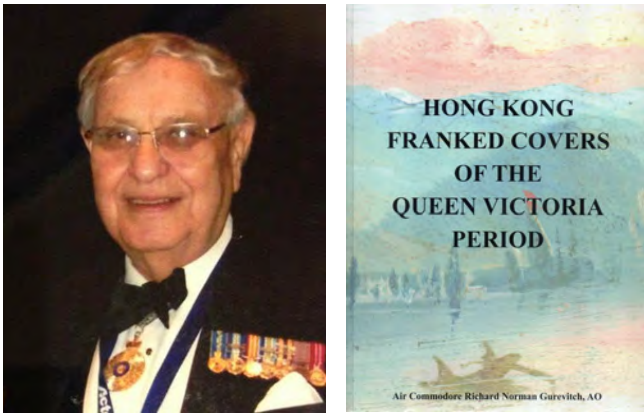
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Dr. Cheung was Chairman and Hon. Editor of the Hong Kong Philatelic Society from 1996 and now Hon. Vice Chairman. He also serves as Acting President of the Hong Kong Study Circle in the U.K., and a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society, London. He is also a member of AIEP, AIJP, Club de Monte-Carlo and several other stamp societies.

Internationally, he is a FIP Jury Fellow and have served in the FIP Postal History Commission and FIP Traditional Philately Commission.

The history of the collection went back almost 50 years when the first pieces were acquired, since then many celebrated items from famous collections were added. The collection gained its first Gold medal and Grand Prix runner-up at Hong Kong Stampex 1986, the first Hong Kong competitive stamp exhibition. It went to win several Gold medals at FIAP and FIP international stamp exhibitions. In recent years, the collection has been shown non-competitively at the Royal Philatelic Society, London, Monte Carlo exhibition and at the FIAP Grand Prix club display.

It is time to say farewell to an “old friend” and it is hoped that some of the extraordinary items would benefit existing collectors of the Treaty Ports and encourage new exhibitors in this area of collecting.



TREATY PORTS OF CHINA – DR ANDREW CHEUNG

Foreword

It is not often that a Gold Medal Postal History collection of Treaty Ports in China becomes available, especially one that has been amassed by such an eminent philatelist as Dr Andrew Cheung. The collection has been lovingly put together by him, items at a time, over 50 years and traces the postal history of the British postal services in China, primarily in the 1800’s. I know Dr Cheung was always on the lookout for items to enhance his already developed display, and that was evidenced by the medal progression of the collection.

As with many philatelists, time is called out with a specific collection in the light of competing interests and the thought that other philatelists might benefit with the inclusion of some rare material into their displays. I am sure such considerations were amongst those that prompted Dr Cheung to part with his cherished Treaty Port items. It is good to know that a record of Dr Cheung’s Treaty Ports in China collection is being recorded in the special AVA sales catalogue (in much the same way as the notable Ishikawa collection) and I trust that the catalogue will become, in the future, an important reference publication on the subject for postal historians.

Air Commodore Richard Gurevitch AO

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1842 China War Medal awarded to William McCulloch of the 26th Regiment. The First China War Medal was originally intended by the Governor-General of India in Oct 1842 to be awarded exclusively to all ranks of the East India Company's Forces. Instead, in 1843, under the direction of Queen Victoria, the British Government awarded it without clasp to all members of the British Army and Navy who participated in the first Opium War (1839–42). The medal was designed by William Wyon who was also an eminent engraver for its multiple classic British coinage designs.

1842年第一次中國戰役勳章，授予第二十六團William McCulloch。中國戰役勳章本由印度總督1842年10月頒發予東印度公司軍隊。但隨後於1843年，維多利亞女皇下令向所有參與第一次鴉片戰爭之英國陸軍及海軍成員頒予無勳扣版本。此章由著名雕刻師William Wyon設計，不少經典英國錢幣出自其手筆。

Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000



BRITISH TREATY PORT POST OFFICES IN CHINA

Following the conclusion of the 1839/42 Opium War, China was forced to open various ports to Great Britain under special agreements so that British subjects and their families could reside there for the purpose of trade. British Consulates were set up at these treaty ports and the British Consul or his assistant was put in charge of the mail initially; later on, as the volume of mail grew, postal agencies were established to handle the mail.

This exhibit is a study of the postal and instructional markings from the establishment of the Treaty Port postal agencies until their closure on 30 November 1922 and Wei-Hai-Wei on 30 September 1930.

The exhibit is arranged chronologically. The story begins with mail from the early settlers in Canton followed by examples of military mail during the First China War also known as the "Opium War". It continues with mail from the first five Treaty Ports opened after the Opium War - Canton, Amoy, Foochow, Shanghai, Ningpo and followed by the mail from the other ports opened after the Second China War of 1858/60 - Hankow, Swatow, Hoihow, Tientsin, Chefoo, Port Edward and the British Colony of Wei-Hai-Wei. Examples of postmarks are mainly shown on covers, when shown on stamps, only more difficult values are used and some of them are not known on cover. Classification of markings is according to Webb¹ and Proud²; many postmark illustrations are derived from proof books at the London G.P.O. postal archive. Instructional markings on covers are often only or less than five recorded and new finds as a result of personal research are also included.



1842 China War medal awarded to William McCulloch of the 26th Regiment

- Frame 1: First China War and Canton**
Military Post Office China, Expedition Forces mail
Earliest recorded Canton Paid letter
- Frame 2: Amoy**
Only recorded Amoy Paid stamped letter to Manila
Earliest and only recorded blue A1 cover
- Frame 3: Foochow**
Earliest recorded letter from Foochow
Earliest recorded F1 deficient postage cover
The Anping cover, double-ring Foochow BPO covers
- Frame 4: Shanghai**
Earliest recorded letter from Shanghai
Large Crown & Double-ring Shanghai Paid covers

- Frame 5: Shanghai**
Earliest recorded Insufficiently Prepaid marking
Two examples of Parcel Post, less than five recorded
- Frame 6: Ningpo, Hankow**
Earliest and latest Ningpo sub-agency marking on cover
Earliest recorded Hankow datestamp on cover
- Frame 7: Swatow, Hoihow**
Earliest recorded letter from Swatow
The Swatow + B62 combination cover
The only recorded 'Missent to Hoihow' marking
- Frame 8: Tientsin, Chefoo, Port Edward, Liu Kung Tau and the Colony of Wei Hai Wei**
The only known single-ring Chefoo datestamp postcard

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British Treaty Ports Post Offices in China
A brief account on the development of the postal service and postal markings

Canton was the first port opened to foreign trade since 1627 during the Ming dynasty. The Imperial Edict of 1757 issued by the Qing Emperor restricted foreign trade to this single port. While China’s trade flourished in the 19th century, a subsequent heavy trade deficit contributed to the “Opium War,” also known as the First Anglo-Chinese War (1839–1842). Following its defeat, China was forced to sign the Treaty of Nanking in 1842, which opened other ports to Western powers. Great Britain was a primary beneficiary. Under special agreements, British subjects and their families were permitted to reside in these treaty ports for trade and were granted extraterritorialrights. British Consulates were established in five coastal cities: Canton, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo,and Shanghai. After the Second Anglo-Chinese War (1858–1860), additional treaty ports were opened. The British subsequently set up postal agencies in Hankow, Swatow, Hoihaw, Tientsin, Chefoo, and Port Edward, while Wei-Hai-Wei became a British colony. The Treaty Port postal,agencies in China closed on 30 November 1922, and Wei-Hai-Wei was returned to Chinese rule on30 September 1930.

Initially, the British Consul or his assistant was put in charge of the mail. As the mail volume grew,dedicated postal agencies were established to handle it. Mail to foreign destinations was carried by private cargo ships under postal contract to Hong Kong for trans-shipment. When foreign shipping companies like P&O (British) and Messageries Maritime (French) extended their routes to majorChinese ports, most mail was carried by them, which offered a regular and reliable service.

With the inauguration of the Trans-Siberian Railway in 1903, some mail was transported via this route until the outbreak of the Russo-Japanese War interrupted the service. By 1907, rail service resumed, providing a faster mail route to Europe compared to the sea route via Suez. Mail from the Treaty Ports to the USA and Europe was also transported by private ships. After the launch of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and the Occidental & Oriental Steamship fleet in 1867, nearly all eastward mail was carried by them.

In 1844, the British Postal Agency was not supplied with any datestamps to postmark mail. It was not until 1850 that the first British-made “CANTON PAID” and Canton circular datestamps (c.d.s.) were supplied. The Canton c.d.s. was a large, broken-ring datestamp, a standard type issued to British post offices at home and abroad. The Shanghai postal agency received the same type of c.d.s. in 1852. For prepaid mail, a locally made “SHANGHAE POST OFFICE/CROWN/PAID” cachet was used to indicate postage payment. In 1858, a smaller 20mm single-ring “PAID” c.d.s. was sent to Amoy. Shanghai received a similar datestamp in 1861, along with a single-ring c.d.s. (Webb type A) used for backstamp-ing or canceling stamps between 1863 and 1866. (Figure 1)



Figure 1 – Datestamps sent to the Treaty Port postal agencies during the stampless period

Before the introduction of numeral obliterators (also known as “killers”) for each Treaty Port postal agency, letters franked Hong Kong stamps were sent in sealed bags to Hong Kong. As a result, the stamps on these letters were canceled with the “B62” obliterator upon arrival before forwarding. The Treaty Port numeral obliterators were dispatched from London in 1866, but their use did not commence until the late 1860s, and even later for some ports. While later examples of these obliterators are found exclusively in black ink, early cancellations appear in different shades of blue and purple. A handful of examples are known in brick-red, likely due to the accidental use of the wrong ink pad.

Amoy	A1 (vertical), D27	Kiungchow/Hoihow	D28 (horizontal)
Canton	C1 (vertical)	Ningpo	N1 (vertical)
Foochow	F1 (vertical)	Shanghai	S1 (vertical, 6 types)
Hankow	D29 (horizontal)	Swatow	S2 (vertical, 2 types)

Figure 2 – “Killer” obliterators of the Treaty Port postal agencies in China

The purpose of the numeral obliterator was to cancel the adhesive stamp(s) on an envelope completely to prevent reuse. A circular date stamp (c.d.s.) was typically applied to the back of the letter for dating. After Hong Kong became a member of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) in April 1877, the c.d.s. was instead placed on the front of the letter, adjacent to the canceled stamp. Canceling a letter or postcard twice—first with a “killer” mark and again with a c.d.s.—was a timeconsuming process, especially given the high volume of outgoing mail. It was likely for this reason that, around the 1880s, the obliterator were gradually withdrawn, and adhesive stamps were canceled with the c.d.s. alone.

The single-ring steel c.d.s. supplied to the Treaty Port postal agencies were typically formatted with the agency’s name in a straight line, such as those used in Canton, Ningpo, Amoy, and Swatow. The first Foochow c.d.s., however, featured the name “FOOCHOWFOO” aligned with the inner circumference, creating a so-called curved-type c.d.s. The size of these single-ring c.d.s. used in the Treaty Ports ranged from 19.5mm to 23mm.

In 1907, a new batch of 25mm single-ring c.d.s. was supplied to most Treaty Ports. While some of these larger c.d.s. remained in use, a new double-ring c.d.s. was introduced around 1915/16. This Mnew design featured the wording “BRITISH POST OFFICE” followed by two short, thick side-bars and the name of the postal agency. Foochow, Amoy, Hankow, and Swatow are recorded as having used this type (Figure 3).

Atypical cancels are known from several Treaty Port post offices, including:

- * The serif-letters “SHANGHAE” c.d.s. from the stampless period.
- * Tientsin: the BPO Tientsin rubber single-ring c.d.s. and the double-ring “TIENTSIN/Br. P.O.” with thick sidebars (Webb type A).
- * The double-ring “SHANGHAI Br. P.O.” with long side-bars and roman numerals.
- * The Chefoo (Webb type A) double-ring c.d.s. with name at the top and British Post Office below.
- * The red “FOOCHOWFOO” negative seal.
- * The boxed “PORT EDWARD/date/WEI HAI WEI”.

None of these are recorded in the London GPO proof book and perhaps some were made locally.

Based on earlier works, Colonel Francis W. Webb classified the postal markings used at the Treaty Ports in his famous book – “The Philatelic and Postal History of Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports of China and Japan” and its subsequent reprints by James Bendon as well as its Chinese edition by Charles T.M. Chan FRPSL. At a later date, Proud produced another list using his own classification and pricing system in his book, ‘Postal History of Hong Kong 1841-1997’, which also includes instructional markings and updated usage information.



Figure 3 – Various types of c.d.s. used by the Treaty Port postal agencies in China

The first known registration marking is a straight-line handstamp with the word “REGISTERED”; only a single proof strike on a card in red, claimed to be from Shanghai, is known. This was followed by an oval “REGISTERED” datestamp, examples of which have been recorded on covers from Shanghai, Amoy, Canton, and Foochow. This oval datestamp is also known to have been used at Kiungchow and Swatow as an ordinary cancel after the word “REGISTERED” was removed.

An “R” in a circle cachet later replaced the oval datestamps and can be found in both red and black. Atypical c.d.s. types are also recorded, such as the rare double-ring “HBM POST OFFICE/R/AMOY” used at Amoy between 1902 and 1907 (eight recorded), the 1906 mute boxed “R” of Port Edward (three recorded), and the 1907 boxed “Registered” cachet without an “R” from Tientsin (five recorded). The

standard boxed “R B.P.O.” registration cachet was introduced around 1908. One oddity is the Hankow experimental label, which dates from the post-WWI period.

“Avis de réception” (AR) cachets on mail from the Treaty Ports are exceptionally rare. They are similar to the chamfered-corner type used in Hong Kong and are struck in either red or black. AR docket from any of the Treaty Ports franked with 10c fee is as rare as hen’s teeth, AR docket in the QV period has not been seen.

Instructional markings were used by most agencies. For example, a boxed “MISSENT TO” cachet is known from almost every Treaty Port agency but is rare on covers or postcards. One notable example is the only recorded “MISSENT TO HOIHOW” cited by Proud on an incoming 4k Russian postal stationery card. Postage due “T” marks are also known from nearly every postal agency; notable examples include the large “T” of Wei Hai Wei (only two recorded) and a red circular intaglio “T” used exclusively in Tientsin (fewer than five known).

This collection is a study of the development of the postal system and postal markings of the British Treaty Port Post Offices in China. The subject has been comprehensively documented in major reference works by authors such as Bishop and Morton, F. Webb, L. Scamp, H. Schoenfeld, and E.B. Proud, as well as in articles published by the Hong Kong Philatelic Society, the Hong Kong Study Circle, and on websites like chinaoverprint.com. New collectors seeking to specialize in this area are encouraged to consult these sources. Despite extensive prior research, new discoveries continue to emerge. Collecting the Treaty Ports offers a lifetime of challenge and represents a fascinating aspect of the postal history of China and Hong Kong.

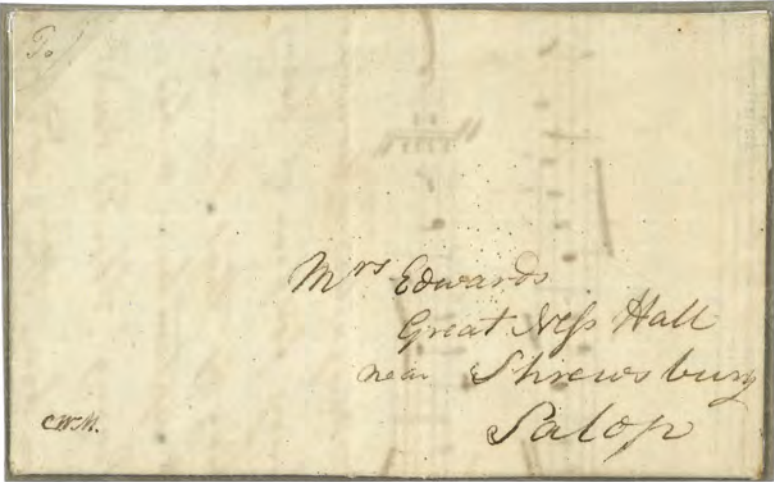
Happy collecting,

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1817 C.W. Martin onboard Milford at Whampoa (20 Oct) to his sister in England. Entire letter without post-mark, enclosing the music score for the Bay of Biscay in content. He mentioned that the weather in China “is so hot and the mosquitoes so troublesome”. Interesting early pre-adhesive.
1817. 10. 20 由停泊於黃埔之Milford號上C.W. Martin寄英國之妹姐。郵簡，未見郵戳。內容為樂譜。他提到中國之氣候“十分炎熱，蚊患擾人”。有趣之早期史前郵件。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

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1836 James Crooke, Calcutta (12 Jul) to opium trader Edward Crooke, Canton. Entire letter, sent “p Victory”, applied with Calcutta GPO shipletter d.s. Showing the Chinese name of James Crooke in brush-stroke.
1836. 7. 12 James Crooke自加爾各答寄廣州之鴉片商人Edward Crooke。郵簡，寫有“p Victory”，鈐加爾各答總局船信日戳。以毛筆寫有Crooke之中文譯名“局祿”。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

PRE-POSTAL PERIOD

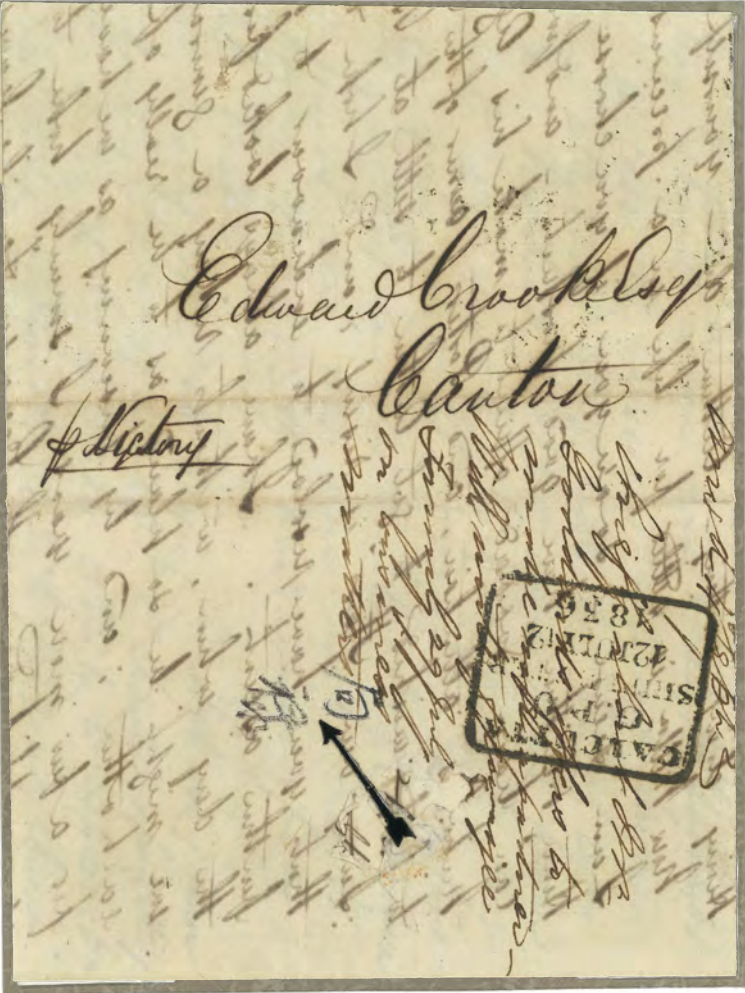


20 October 1817 letter from C.W. Martin on board Ship *Milford* at Whampoa near Canton to his sister in England enclosing a music score for the Bay of Biscay and he mentioned that “... *there are very good and cheap taylors in China... ..*”
Martin sailed from Bombay to China on 14th July via Prince of Wales Island (Penang) arriving on 9th September. He found China’s weather “... *is so hot & the mosquitoes so troublesome.*”
He wrote “*I am now in such a hurry for fear of being too late as the packet is making up that I cannot take pains.*”
Average transit time of six months.

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12 July 1836 letter from the Edward Crooke correspondence. Brother James wrote in Calcutta regarding the opium trade and an offer of “*a fourth share in his business*” from Goddard’s
Sent by the Opium Clipper *Victory* care of Captain Biden from Calcutta. Boxed CALCUTTA G.P.O. SHIP LETTER
12 JULY 1836 datestamp. The ship arrived on 4th September in Canton.
The two-character “Crooke” Chinese delivery mark in brush indicated that some kind of postal system was already operating among the foreign merchants at the time.



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1840 Tongkoo Bay (23 Jan) to Frederick Huth & Co., London. Entire letter, rated “8” and sent “p Harbinger”, applied with “LIVERPOOL / SHIPLETTER” marking. Arrived London. Content enclosed a cargo list of Bibby, Adams & Co., announcing the loading and dispatch of ships Harbinger and Thomas Coutts. Thomas Coutts was one of the ships that ignored the blockade order of Elliot and drove into Whampoa in Oct 1839.

Due to the outbreak of the First Opium War with China and the consequent withdrawal of British traders from Canton and Macao at the end of 1839, British vessels initially sought refuge in Hong Kong waters. However, following the bombardment of vessels in Hong Kong’s harbour from Chinese shore batteries based on the Kowloon peninsula, from 14 Nov and onwards the foreign ships relocated to the safe anchorage at Tong Koo (now north of Lantau Island).

1840. 1. 23 自銅鼓灣寄倫敦Frederick Huth & Co.。郵簡，寫有郵資“8”及“p Harbinger”，鈐利物浦船信戳。抵倫敦。內容為Bibby, Adams & Co有關Harbinger及Thomas Coutts號之裝卸貨品清單。當中Thomas Coutts號為1839年10月對義律拒絕代表英商具結的命令置之不理，並於10月15日駛入黃埔具結貿易之船隻之一。第一次鴉片戰爭爆發後，於1839年年底前英國商人從廣州和澳門撤出，英國的船隻最初在香港水域避難。不過位處在九龍半島的中國炮台有對香港進出港口的船隻進行炮轟，從11月14日起，大部份外國船隻遷往銅鼓灣（大嶼山以北）較安全的停泊地點。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 8,000

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1840 Macao (24 Dec) to John Gladstone Co., Liverpool. Entire letter, rated “8” but crossed out and changed to “1/4”, sent “p Sanderson”, applied with “SHIPLETTER” horizontal h.s.Since the First Capture of Chusan, Qing government appointed Qishan to negotiate with the British but no progress was made. Trade was not resumed and British Force therefore initiated the 2nd Battle of Chuenpi. The content mentioned British Commodore James Bremer who took over as commander-in-chief of British forces in Nov 1841 and led the forces captured the forts on the Pearl River during the 2nd Battle of Chuenpi afterward.

1840. 12. 24 澳門寄利物浦John Gladstone Co.。郵簡，寫有郵資“8”但被改作“1/4”及“p Sanderson”，鈐“SHIPLETTER”橫戳。在第一次定海之役戰敗後，清廷琦善進行和議但一直未果，期間貿易仍未能恢復。最後英方不再容忍，在1841年1月發動第二次穿鼻之戰。信中內容提及英軍伯麥准將，他於1839年11月當上了英軍總司令並參與了第二次穿鼻之戰。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

THE FIRST OPIUM WAR

In 1839, after initially being confined to their warehouses in Canton and having their opium stocks seized by the Chinese authorities, the British merchants were forced to leave Canton for Macao. They were only allowed to stay in Macao for a short period, moving on to Hong Kong Harbour. After the attack by Chinese guns on the Kowloon Peninsula on 14-15 November, the merchants and their ships were relocated to Tongkoo Bay.

23 January 1840 Tongkoo Bay to London

Cargo list of Bibby, Adams & Company announcing the loading and dispatch of ships Harbinger and Thomas Coutts.

On 10 January 1840, the Uniform Penny Post was introduced in England in replacement of the inland mileage charges. Thereafter, the ship letters were rated 8d per ½oz. 5 July 1840 arrival.

‘LIVERPOOL / SHIP LETTER’
Robertson S14, recorded 1838 - 1841



1840
Bibby Adams.
Tong Koo Jan'y 23

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24 December 1840
Macao to Liverpool

Despite the outbreak of war, some traders still remained in Macao. Turner & Co. letter by ship Sanderson to London. Rated 8d at first, altered to 1s4d double-rate by London Ship Letter Office. Liverpool arrival 10 July 1841. London ‘SHIP-LETTER’ Robertson S36, recorded 1840 - 1857



The writer mentioned the intention of British C-in-C Commodore James Bremer in the letter. Two weeks later on 7 January 1841, led by Bremer, British forces captured the forts on the Pearl River mouth during the Second Battle of Chuenpee.

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2206

1840 By Ralph Smith, Tinghai (22 Dec) to Calcutta. Entire letter, with “From China Expedition” heading for free postage. Arrived Calcutta with “SHIPLETTER” d.s. Both British and Chinese government were unsatisfied with the slow progress of negotiation and turned to reinforce their troops.
1840. 12. 22 由Ralph Smith自定海寄加爾各答。郵簡，寫有 “From China Expedition” 以作免資。抵加爾各答，鈐船信到達戳。英方及清政府均對和談無果感到厭煩，繼而增兵。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

2207

1841 From ship Ruttonjee Cowasjee, Canton River (12 Mar) to Madras and redirected. Entire letter, with “China Expedition” heading for free postage. Arrived Madras (3 May). Dated just a few days before the Battle of Canton on 18 Mar. The Battle of Canton led to the resumption of trade between the British and the Chinese.
1841. 3. 12 由珠江的船隻Ruttonjee Cowasjee號寄印度馬德拉斯，到達後改寄。郵簡，寫有 “China Expedition” 以作免資。5. 3抵馬德拉斯。日期為第一次廣州之戰（3月18日）的前數天。該戰後，余保純與義律在英船上達成休戰貿易協定，雙方衝突暫告一段落。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

THE FIRST OPIUM WAR

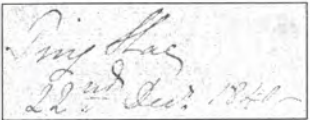
As a consequence of expulsion of foreign traders and seizure of opium in Canton in 1839, an “Eastern Expedition Force” was sent from India arriving in June 1840 to protect foreign interests in China. Led by Commodore James J. G. Bremer, part of the British forces attacked Canton and the rest of the troops sailed north to capture Chusan.



22 December 1840
Tinghae, Chusan to Calcutta

This letter was written by Ralph Smith in Tinghae and carried by private ship to Calcutta arriving on 9 February 1841. 4 annas shipletter charge to pay.

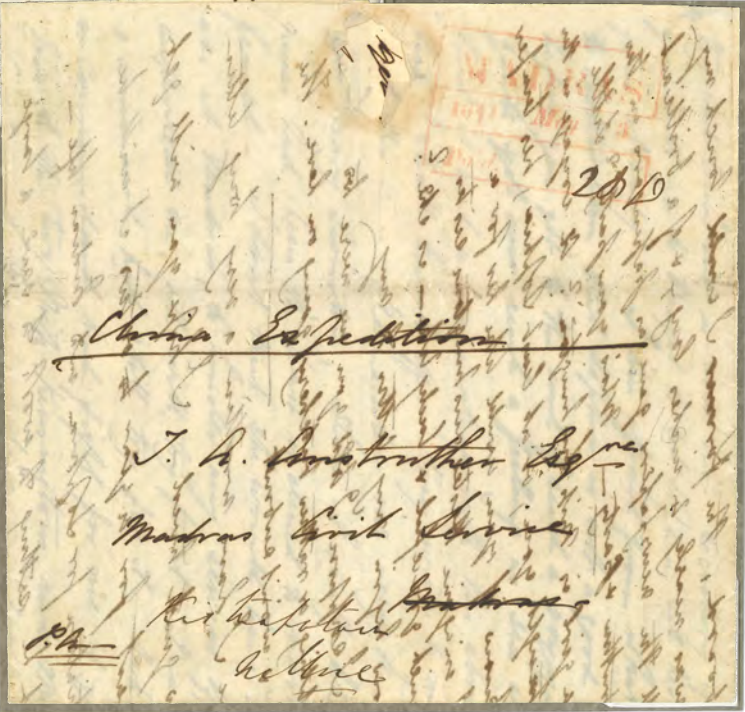
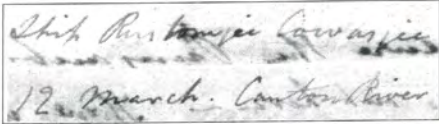
Letters by military personnel bearing the inscription "Eastern or China Expedition" were sent Post Free to India but officer's letters had to pay postage.



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12 March 1841
'Canton River' to Madras

Written onboard transport ship Ruttonjee Cowasjee on Canton River before the Battle of Canton on 18 March. Sent Post Free. Carried by either ship Gunga or Sanderson on 15/17 March. Arrived Madras early May. Redirected from Madras on 3 May.



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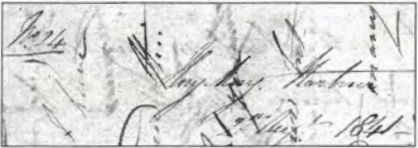
1841 By Clement Edward, Hong Kong (2 Aug) to England. Entire letter, sent “Overland Mail via Falmouth” and rated “8”, showing “Eastern Expedition” annotation. Transit Calcutta (1 Oct), Liverpool (5 Feb). Arrived Weston-Super-Mare (7 Feb). Although free Indian postage was offered to the miliary, onward transmission still had to pay Indian postage. In 1841, British Plenipotentiary Charles Elliot and Chinese Imperial Commissioner Kishen came up with a tentative agreement, Convention of Chuenpi, by which Hong Kong was ceded. However, both governments rejected the convention and dismissed Elliot and Kishen respectively from their positions. Early mails with explicit endorsement of “Hong Kong” since British possession on 24 Jan 1841.

1841. 8. 2 由Clement Edward自香港寄英國。郵簡，寫有 “Overland Mail via Falmouth” 批示、郵資 “8” 及 “Eastern Expedition” 批示。10. 1經加爾各答，2. 5經利物浦。2. 7抵Weston-Super-Mare。雖然軍人轄免印度郵資，但經印度中轉寄外國仍然需要付印度郵資。1841年，英方全權代表義律與清朝欽差大臣琦臣私擬了《穿鼻草約》，其中一條是割讓香港島。然而，雙方政府均不承認這項草約，義律和琦善分別被撤職。此為英軍於1月24日佔領香港後，標明於 “香港” 書寫之較早郵件。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

THE FIRST OPIUM WAR

Following the Second Battle of Chuenpee on 7 January 1841 and defeat of the Chinese forces, Hong Kong Island was occupied by the British on 20 January 1841 by the terms of the ‘Convention of Chuenpee’ between British Plenipotentiary Charles Elliot and Imperial Commissioner Qishan. Making use of the deep harbour, Hong Kong provided a base for future military expeditions along the China coast up north.



2 August 1841 endorsed 'Hong Kong Harbour' to England
Written three weeks before British forces attacked and captured the forts in Amoy and Gulangyu Island

A letter of the “Clement Edwards correspondence” carried by private ship to Calcutta and then sent by ship round the Cape of Good Hope to England. Liverpool arrival 5 Feb., Weston-Super-Mare arrival 7 Feb. 1842

Endorsed ‘Overland Mail’ by the sender but because Indian postage (5 annas per Tola) was not prepaid therefore it was sent as a ship letter to England. Rated 8d for a ½ oz. letter at Liverpool.

Calcutta Ship Letter handstamp in red dated 1 Oct. 1841 and Calcutta Ship Letter Bearing in black applied on unpaid mail from 1840-1854. ‘LIVERPOOL SHIP’ handstamp Robertson S16 recorded 1841 – 1855.

Although free Indian postage was authorized for mail marked "Eastern Expedition" to India as most military personnel came from India, mail for onward transmission by the overland route had to pay the Indian postage.

2208



2209
1842 By Indian Dak, “Ningpoo” (3 Apr) to Trincomalee, Ceylon. Entire letter with “Eastern Expedition” annotation for free postage, applied with clear strike of the extremely scarce “Military Post Office China” Webb type 1 oval seal. Transit Calcutta with Shipletter d.s. 1s8d postage was paid on arrival. Although free Indian postage was offered to the miliary, onward transmission still had to pay Indian postage. Webb stated that this marking was used aboard one of HM ships forming part of the Expedition wich participated in the Battle of Chusan and Canton River. This example was applied in Chusan British Military Headquarter. Webb recorded only 2 examples while Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded 5 among which 4 addressing to Britain and it is the only one to Celyon. It is also the second one offered by AVA. (The first one dated 20 Apr 1842, Ex- Ishikasa, Major A.E.Hopkins and Richard Canman, and was hammered at HKD520,000 in Nov 2022, lot no. 790) while this example showcases an even clearer strike.
1842. 4. 3 由寧波寄錫蘭Trincomalee。郵簡，寫有“Eastern Expedition”以作免資。鈐極罕之“Military Post Office China”Webb 1型橢圓形戳記。經加爾各答，鈐船信戳。到達時收到1/8郵資。雖然軍人轄免印度郵資，但經印度中轉寄外國仍然需要付印度郵資。Webb指此戳用於鴉片戰爭的英軍戰艦上，經歷舟山及珠江的戰役。此例相信用於寧波的英軍司令部。Webb記錄中僅見兩件，張文德醫生則記錄五件，當中四例均寄英國，此為寄錫蘭的孤例。此為艾華所經手的第二件（第一件日期為1842年4月20日，出自石川良佐、Major A E Hopkins及Richard Canman舊藏。艾華2022年11月秋拍拍品號790，以港幣52萬元落槌），而此例之郵戳更為清晰。
Estimates HK\$ 360,000 - HK\$ 600,000

以下為五件已知的“Military Post Office China”記錄
Here are the 5 known examples of “Military Post Office China”

- 1842 (31 Jan) Ex- Ishikawa, Sir Percival and lady David, Illustration in Webb Plate 10.
- 1842 (3 Apr) recorded by L C Scamp
- 1842 (3 Apr) Dr. Andrew Cheung
- 1842 (17 Apr) recorded by L C Scamp
- 1842 (20 Apr) Ex- Ishikawa, Major A.E. Hopkins, Richard Canman, Steve Chazen.

THE FIRST OPIUM WAR

MILITARY POST OFFICE CHINA



3 April 1842 Ningpo City to Ceylon

Carried by *Algerine* to Calcutta arriving in June then sent by Indian Dak to Trincomalee, Ceylon. Indian postage at 5 annas per Tola bearing. Free Indian postage was authorized for mail marked "Eastern Expedition" to India, mail for onward transmission had to pay postage. 1s 8d to pay on arrival. Oval Military Post Office China cachet thought to be applied in Chusan British Military Headquarter. Calcutta Ship Letter Bearing in black used on un-paid mail from 1840-1854.

One of five examples recorded

2209



2210
1843 a member onboard HMS Cambrian, Chusan (26 Aug) to his cousin at Hong Kong. Entire letter, applied with Royal Arms Webb type 4 oval seal. On reverse with Chinese delivery instruction “Wong Ngai Chun Camp” where the 98th Regiment was stationed. This regiment was withdrawn to Hong Kong at the end of 1842. Dr Andrew Cheung recorded 74 covers bearing this Royal Arms seal while it is one of the four examples on incoming mails to Hong Kong. It is also the 7th one offered by AVA and the first one incoming to Hong Kong.
1843. 8. 26 停泊於舟山的英軍戰艦HMS Cambrian號成員寄香港的表親。郵簡，鈐Webb 4型香港盾徽圓戳。背面帶有“黃泥涌營”中文派遞指示，為九十八營駐紮之地。此營於1842年底撤至香港。張文德醫生記錄此盾徽戳記存世共七十四件，當中僅四件為進口香港例子。此封同時為艾華所經手的第七件，並為首件進口香港例子。
Estimates HK\$ 40,000 - HK\$ 100,000

THE FIRST OPIUM WAR

After the signing of the Treaty of Nanking in 1842, the Eastern Expedition Force was broken up but some British troops were stationed in China and Hong Kong. Military Mail were still carried free.



26 August 1843 Chusan to Hong Kong

Letter written by a member serving on *HMS Cambrian* at Chusan to his cousin in Hong Kong. Carried by China coastal ship to Hong Kong's "Wong Ngai Chun Camp" where the 98th Regiment was stationed. The 98th Regiment was withdrawn to Hong Kong at the end of 1842 from the inland. Yang-tse region due to "Attacks of cholera and small pox amongst other illnesses". Military Mail carried free.
The oval **Royal Arms** recorded 1842-1844 applied on arrival. Chinese delivery instructions on the reverse.

One of the four incoming letters to Hong Kong bearing the Royal Arms handstamp

2210

CANTON 廣州

2211
1850 Canton (27 Sep) to France. Entire letter, rated “10” and sent “pr str Achilles”, applied with scarce “CANTON / PAID” Webb type 1 h.s. on front with “CANTON” type 2 cds on reverse. Transit Hong Kong (28 Sep). Arrived Paris (18 Nov). It is the earliest recorded use of Canton Webb type 1 and 2 according to Webb and Dr. Andrew Cheung.
1850. 9. 27 廣州寄法國。郵簡，寫有郵資“10”及“pr St Achilles”，正面蓋有少見之“CANTON / PAID” Webb 1型圓戳，背面蓋“CANTON” Webb 2型雙弧日戳。9. 28經香港。11. 18經巴黎。此為Webb及張文德醫生記錄中，廣州英局1型及2型戳之最早記錄。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 20,000



CANTON

CANTON PAID & CANTON datestamp



27 Sept. 1850 entire-letter from Canton to Paris carried by “Post-boat” to Hong Kong and *P&O Archilles* to Galle, *P&O Haddington* to Suez and *P&O Ripon* to Malta. Admiralty Packet from Malta to Marseilles. Rated 10 avos from Canton to Hong Kong, 1 shilling British Packet rate to Alexandria and 10 decimes to pay on arrival. Canton datestamp and Canton Paid handstamp Webb type 1 &2 were sent from London on 12 July 1850. Recorded from Sept. 1850 to Aug. 1856.

Earliest recorded example

2211

2212

1856 USA (24 Nov) to Augustine Heard Co., Canton. Entire letter, sent “pr Europa via Marseilles”, rated “96” and “86”, applied with Boston origial cds. Transit London (9 Dec). Showing “Chge Box 1824” indicating the letter was delivered in care of post office box in Hong Kong. In Dec 1856, fire destroyed the factory area at Canton including the post office. Merchantes were evacuated to Whampoa where a temporary postal agency was set up on 9 Jun 1858. The new post office was opened on 23 Mar 1859.

1856. 11. 24 美國寄廣州瓊記洋行。郵簡，寫有“pr Europa via Marseilels”、郵資“96”及“86”，鈴波士頓始發日戳。12. 9經倫敦。寫有“Chge Box 1824”表明由香港郵局信箱代收。1856年12月，廣州十三行連同郵局區域被毀。外商撤至黃埔並於1858年6月9日成立了一家臨時郵局。新廣州郵局要到1859年3月23日才成立。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

2213

1859 Scotland (7 Jan) to a surgeon of the 65th Regiment, Canton. Entire letter, f.w. QV 1d + 4d in pair for 9d officer rate, tied by Aberdeen cds. Showing “via Marseilles / Recd 1st Mar” anntotation. Transit London (8 Jan), Hong Kong (27 Feb) and forwarded to the temporary postal agency in Whampoa by gunboat as the Canton Post Office was destroyed in Dec 1856. The new post office was opened on 23 Mar 1859.

1859. 1. 7 蘇格蘭寄廣州的第六十五團的一名醫生。郵簡，貼1便士 + 4便士雙連，合9便士軍官郵資，銷鴨巴甸日戳。寫有“via Marseilles / Recd 1st Mar”批示。1. 8經倫敦，2. 27經香港，再以炮艇送至黃埔的臨時郵局。1856年12月，廣州十三行連同郵局區域被毀。外商撤至黃埔並於1858年6月9日成立了一家臨時郵局。新廣州郵局要到1859年3月23日才成立。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 10,000

CANTON

The “Arrow Incident” on 8 October 1856 brought unrest in Canton and started the Second China War. In December 1856 fire destroyed much of the factory area at Canton including the Canton Post Office. Merchants were evacuated to nearby Whampoa where a temporary postal agency was set up on 9 June 1858.



2212

24 November 1856 prepaid letter from Boston to Canton. Cunard Line *Europa* New York 26 Nov. to Liverpool 8 Dec. Sent in closed mail via Marseilles *P&O Valetta* 12 Dec. to Egypt, *P&O Bengal* to Galle and *P&O Cadiz* to HK 1 Feb. 1857. Prepaid 96¢ being the 1 oz. rate and 86¢ was credit to Britain. Post Office Notice on 18 December 1856 stated that delivery of civilian mail ceased from December 1856 due to hostilities and evacuation of Canton. This letter was delivered care of a post office box ‘Chge Box 1824’ in Hong Kong. Augustine Heard annotated ‘Rec’d Febry 2nd’



2213

7 January 1859 letter from Aberdeen to a Surgeon of 65th Regiment arriving in the closing stage of the Second China War in the South. Sent via Marseilles *P&O Panther* 12 Jan. to Egypt, *P&O Alma* to Galle and *P&O Norna* to HK 27 Feb. 1857. Prepaid 9d the Officer’s rate. Annotated ‘Recd. 1st March’, the letter would be delivered to the Whampoa agency by gunboat since the new Canton postal agency was not opened until 23 March 1859. London JA 8 transit c.d.s. and Webb type 7 Hong Kong c.d.s. arrival 27 FE 1859 on reverse.

2214
1873 Canton (20 Jun) to England, applied with Canton BPO Webb type B cds on reverse. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 24c for British-packet-via-Southampton rate. Thie cover was first carried by post-boat to Hong Kong and cancelled adhesive with B62 obliterator and Hong Kong (20 Jun) cds. Arrived York (13 Aug). Between 1866 and 1875, Canton type B cds was only applied on the reverse of mail and adhesive would be cancelled by B62 obliterator at Hong Kong.
1873. 6. 20 廣州寄英國，背面鈐廣州英局Webb B型日戳。正貼維多利亞女皇像24仙，合英國郵船經修咸頓郵資。先由郵局小艇送至香港，貼票銷B62殺手戳，另鈐香港6. 20中轉戳。8. 13抵約克。1866至1875年間，廣州英局B型日戳僅蓋於封背，貼票需待至香港蓋銷。

Estimates HK\$ 1,800 - HK\$ 3,000

2215
1873 British Consulate, Canton (23 Dec) to Hong Kong. OHMS cover, applied with Canton BPO Webb type B on reverse. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 8c in pair with right wing margin, tied by B62 obliterator, matching with Hong Kong (23 Dec) cds.
1873. 12. 23 英國駐廣州大使館寄香港。OHMS封，背面鈐廣州英局Webb B型日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像8仙雙連帶右闊邊，銷B62殺手戳，另鈐香港12. 23到達戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,800 - HK\$ 3,000

2216
Hong Kong QV 6c used stamp, cancelled by C1 obliterator in blue. C1 obliterator is rarer in blue than in black and only one cover is known (dated 13 Oct 1875, Ex- Ishikawa and Burghard, now in the collection of Hong Kong Museum of History) which made used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation.
香港維多利亞女皇像6仙舊票，銷C1藍色殺手戳。藍色之C1殺手戳較黑色少見，實寄封存世已知僅有一件（日期為1875年10月13日，石川良佐及Burghard舊藏，現為香港歷史博物館集藏），故舊票成為入手之唯一途徑。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2217
Hong Kong QV 30c used stamp, cancelled by C1 obliterator in blue. C1 obliterator is rarer in blue than in black and only one cover is known (dated 13 Oct 1875, Ex- Ishikawa and Burghard, now in the collection of Hong Kong Museum of History) which made used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation.
香港維多利亞女皇像30仙舊票，銷C1藍色殺手戳。藍色之C1殺手戳較黑色少見，實寄封存世已知僅有一件（日期為1875年10月13日，石川良佐及Burghard舊藏，現為香港歷史博物館集藏），故舊票成為入手之唯一途徑。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2218
1876 Canton (2 Jun) to Belgium, f.w. Hong Kong QV 18c in pair, tied by C1 obliterator in black, matching with Canton BPO cds on reverse. Transit Hong Kong (3 Jun). Transit Brindisi (13 Jul). Arrived Moll (16 Jul). It is the earliest recorded usage of C1 obliterator in black. Same correspondence with the only known cover applied with C1 obliterator in blue (dated 13 Oct 1875, Ex- Ishikawa and Burghard, now in the collection of Hong Kong Museum of History).
1876. 6. 2 廣州寄比利時，貼香港維多利亞女皇像18仙雙連，銷黑色C1殺手戳，背面另鈐廣州英局日戳。6. 3經香港。7. 13經布林迪西。7. 16抵莫爾。此為鈐黑色C1殺手戳之最早例子，並與存世唯一一件鈐藍色C1殺手戳之信封地址相同（日期為1875年10月13日，石川良佐及Burghard舊藏，現為香港歷史博物館集藏）。

Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 30,000

CANTON

Between 1866 to 1875, the Canton postal agency backstamped the outgoing mail only and left the adhesives uncanceled. Upon arrival, Hong Kong applied the B62 to cancel the stamps. Canton type B datestamp was applied on reverse during this period. Recorded from Dec. 1866 to March 1874.



20 June 1873 letter from Canton to England via Hong Kong and Southampton. Carried by “Post-boat” to Hong Kong and *P&O Sunda* to Galle, *P&O Peshawur* via Suez canal to Southampton arriving on 12 Aug. 24¢ British Packet rate to Southampton. Canton datestamp Webb type B in blue and Hong Kong transit on reverse. Adhesive cancelled **B62** at Hong Kong.

2214

CANTON

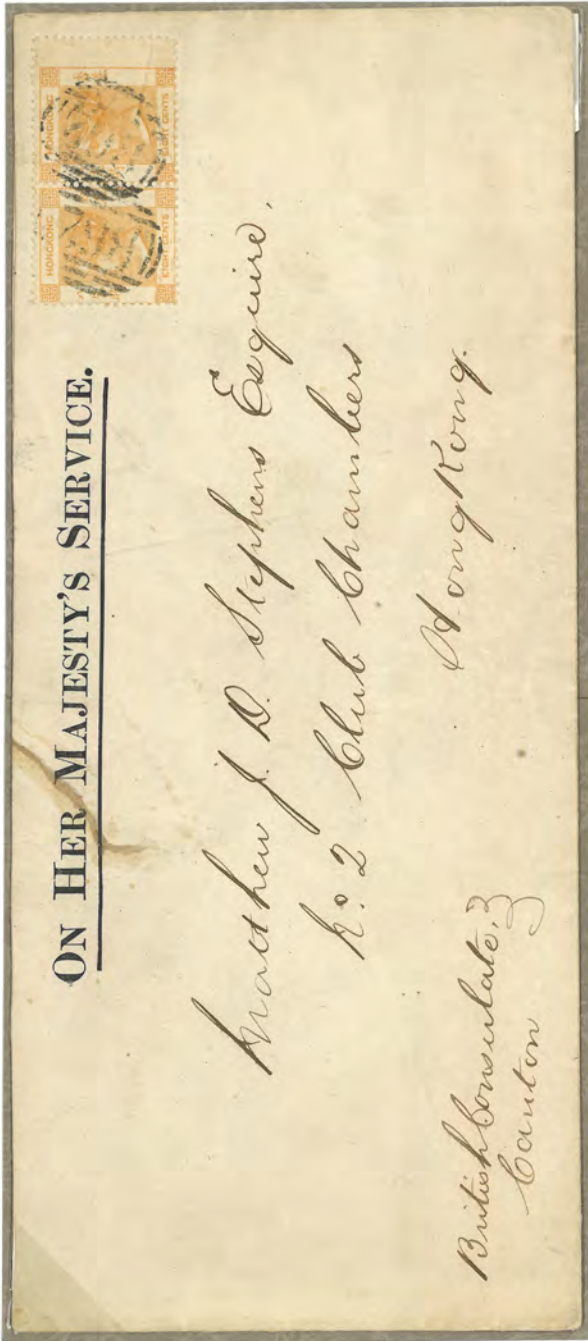
Straight-line
CANTON datestamp

The Consulate was destroyed during rioting in December 1856. The new Consulate was re-opened in Canton on 11 July 1863. A new Canton c.d.s. Webb type B was ordered on 17 February 1866; it was used for dispatch and on arrival while stamps on outward mail were to be cancelled by the sorting clerks in Hong Kong.

23 December 1873 letter from the British Consulate to a solicitor in Hong Kong. 8¢ per ½ oz. inter-port rate, this is a double-rate letter at 16¢ rate. Stamps cancelled on arrival.



Canton type B c.d.s. dispatch on reverse
In blue from 15 Dec. 1866 until 1875



2215

CANTON

The C1 Obliterator

The “C1” was sent out from England in 1866, but it was not recorded used before 1875. Blue ink was used until about 1876. Initially, the Canton dater was applied on reverse, after 1876 it was applied on obverse. C1 obliterator is recorded used with type B Canton datestamp from October 1875 to January 1884.

Canton “C1” in blue

The only known letter dated 13 October 1875 from the same correspondence is in the Hong Kong Museum of History Collection



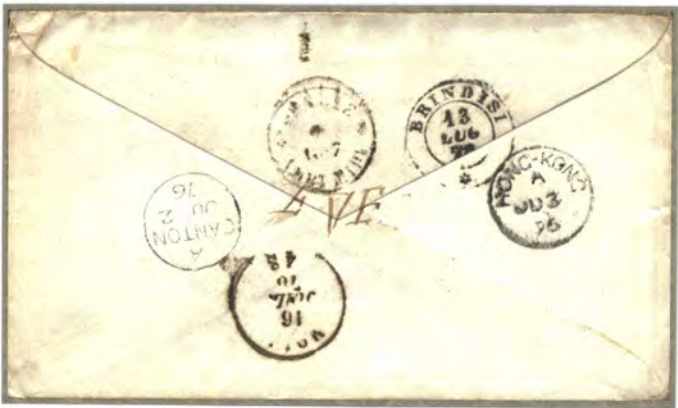
2216



2217



2218



2 June 1876 letter to Moll, Belgium by P&O Lombardy from Hong Kong to Suez, P&O Baroda from Alexandria to Brindisi 13 July. Moll arrival 16 July. 18¢ per ½ oz. British Packet via Brindisi from 1 January 1876 to 31 March 1877.

Earliest recorded letter with Canton “C1” in black

2219

1877 Canton (31 Oct) to France, f.w. Hong Kong QV 12c, tied by C1 obliterator in black, alongside with Canton BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Hong Kong (31 Oct), French paquebot (1 Nov). Arrived Marseilles (5 Dec). Example of 12c per 1/2coz rate wef 1 Apr 1877.
1877. 10. 31 廣州寄法國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像12仙，銷黑色C1殺手戳，旁鈐廣州英局Webb B型日戳。10. 31 經香港，11. 1經法國郵船。12. 5抵馬賽。1877年12仙半盎司郵資於1877年4月1日。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2220

1879 (13 Nov) Hong Kong postcard f.w. QV surch 5c/18c stamp (Yang P2) from Canton to England, tied by C1 obliterator, alongside with Canton BPO cds. Transit Hong Kong (14 Nov). “VIA BRINDISI & LONDON” crossed out to be “VIA NAPLES & LONDON”, indicating this card carried by French packet MI Ava. One of the two 5c/18c card applied with C1 obliterator (another one was seen in Christie’s Robson Lowe 12 Nov 1987, lot 3028).
1879. 11. 13 香港明信片貼維多利亞女皇像改值5仙蓋18仙（楊目P2），自廣州寄英國，銷C1殺手戳，旁鈐廣州英局日戳。11. 14經香港。“VIA BRINDISI & LONDON”被改作“VIA NAPLES & LONDON”可見由法國郵船MI Ava送遞。已知兩件鈐C1殺手戳之5仙蓋18仙片之一（另一件見於1986年11月12日Christie’s Robson Lowe拍品號3028）

Estimates HK\$ 13,000 - HK\$ 30,000

CANTON

The C1 Obliterator

After Hong Kong became a member of the U.P.U. on 1 April 1877, the C1 obliterator is recorded used with Canton type B datestamp on the front of the letter alongside the “C1” until its withdrawal around January 1884.



2219

31 Oct. 1877 letter to France by contract steamer to Hong Kong arriving on 31 October sent by France Packet *MI Ava* on 1 November to Marseilles arriving on 5 December 12¢ per ½ oz. U.P.U. rate from 1 April 1877.



2220

13 November 1879 C1 obliterator on 5c/18c Blue postcard to Lewisham, London. U.P.U. postcard rate via Brindisi, the port of call for British Packet. As this was sent by French Packet *MI Ava* calling at Naples to discharge mail from May 1879 onwards hence the word Brindisi was over-written.

One of two “C1” 5c/18c Blue postcard recorded

2221
1884 a group of 4 Hong Kong QV used stamps, tied by Canton BPO Webb type B cds. According to Webb, the earliest record of this cds since C1 obliterator had been withdrawn was 21 Jan 1884 while this group contained a stamp dated 23 Jan. 1884年一組四件香港維多利亞女皇像舊票，銷廣州英局Webb B型日戳。按Webb記錄，在C1殺手戳不再使用後，Webb B型日戳之最早蓋銷日期為1884年1月21日，而此拍品包含一枚1月23日之例子。
Estimates HK\$ 500 - HK\$ 1,200

2222
1895 Canton (26 Nov) to France. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c x10 + 10c in pair, in total of 40c triple rate, tied by Canton BPO Webb type B cds., alongside with R mark. Showing “Per St. Salazie” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (27 Nov). Arrived Lyon (25 Dec).
1895. 11. 26 廣州寄法國。掛號封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙x10 + 10仙雙連，合40仙三倍郵資，銷廣州英局Webb B型日戳，旁鈐R章。寫有 “Per St. Salazie” 批示。11. 27經香港。12. 25抵里昂。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2223
1891 Canton (13 Jul) to Switzerland. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC, tied by Canton BPO Webb type C cds with year digit wrongly inserted as “MR”. Transit French paquebot (15 Jul). Arrived Zurich (16 Aug). One of the 4 covers and postcards with this “MR” variety cds. Ex- D’ Almada.
1891. 7. 13 廣州寄瑞士。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷廣州英局Webb C型日戳，年份誤植為 “MR” 。7. 15經法國郵船。8. 16抵蘇黎世。為四件蓋有此 “MR” 變異日戳之封片之一。D’ Almada舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 30,000

2224
1898 Canton (24 Oct) to Nicaragua, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c in pair, tied by Canton BPO Webb type C cds., alongside with R mark. Transit Hong Kong (26 Oct), New Orleans (28 Nov). Scarce destination.
1898. 10. 24 廣州寄尼加拉瓜，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙雙連，銷廣州英局Webb C型日戳，旁鈐R章。10. 26經香港，11. 28經新奧爾良。少見之目的地。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2225
1901 (16 Mar) American Legation, Peking cover to Cavite, Manila, missent to Canton, f.w. Coiling Dragon 10c in pair, tied by oval Peking PO d.s. Transit Shanghai Chinese PO (22 Mar). In combination with Hong Kong QV surch 20c/30c, tied by Shanghai BPO (25 Mar) cds. Cover missent to Canton (29 Mar) with scarce “MISSENT TO CANTON”cachet. Mistake was discovered by staff in Canton and redirected to Manila (7 Apr). Webb did not record this “MISSENT TO CANTON”marking while it is one of the four examples recorded by Dr. Andrew Cheung among which it is the earliest.
1901. 3. 16 美國駐北京使館封寄馬尼拉Cavite，誤寄廣州，貼蟠龍2角，銷北京郵政局橢圓形日戳。3. 22經上海清郵。加貼香港維多利亞女皇像改值20仙蓋30仙，銷上海英局3. 25日戳。誤寄廣州，於3. 29抵達，鈐少見之 “MISSENT TO CANTON” 橫戳。廣州郵局發現錯誤，改寄馬尼拉，於4. 7抵達。Webb未有記載此誤寄橫戳。而張文德醫生則記錄四件，此為當中日期最早者。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

CANTON

Straight-line CANTON datestamp - Used as a cancellator



1884 usage

2221



26 Nov. 1895 triple-rate registered letter carried by French Packet *SS Salazie* from Hong Kong to Marseilles arriving on 24 Dec. showing this datestamp used as a cancellation after the withdrawal of the C1 obliterator. Canton type B datestamp used as a cancellator. Recorded from Jan. 1884 to 28 Aug. 1901.

2222

CANTON

21½ mm CANTON datestamp with * index

From 1890 another datestamp was brought into use but there is no record in the G.P.O. London proof book. Webb type C is recorded from March 1890 to December 1899. A well-known datestamp error occurred from March to July 1891 when the year slug was accidentally substituted by the month slug MR.



2223

13 July 1891 3¢ postal card to Zurich carried by French Packet *Calédonien* from Hong Kong 15 July to Marseilles. Zurich arrival 16 August. ex. D'Almada

One of the four covers/postcards recorded with the MR error



24 Oct. 1898 registered letter to Nicaragua sent by *OOSS Coptic* from Hong Kong to San Francisco 21 Nov. New Orleans exchange office 28 Nov. Letters to Central and South America are uncommon at this time.

2224

CANTON

MISSENT-TO
CANTON

16 March 1901 double-rate letter of the American Legation, Peking sent via Chinese Post Office to Shanghai and British Post Office to Cavite (Manila P.I.) Because the destination country was not stated on the envelope and the Shanghai post office clerk misread Cavite for Canton, the letter was put in the wrong mail bag which arrived in Canton on 29 March. Upon sorting the letter the next day, the Canton clerk realized the mistake and re-directed the letter to Manila.

Missent to Canton recorded from 30 March 1901 to 18 Jan. 1915

One of four recorded
This is the earliest



Canton type Di arrival



Canton type Diii dispatch
Index B reverse



Manila receiver



2225

2226
1909 Canton (4 Sep) to France. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 10c in pair, tied by Canton BPO Webb type Eii (index B) cds, alongside with “CANTON B.P.O.” rectangular registered mark. Transit Hong Kong, Shanghai BPO (10 Sep). Arrived Lyon (30 Aug). Cover trimmed at bottom.
1909. 9. 4 廣州寄法國。掛號封，貼香港愛德華七世10仙雙連，銷廣州英局Webb Eii型（B字）日戳，旁鈐 “-CANTON B. P. O.” 方形掛號章。經香港，9. 10經上海英局。8. 30抵里昂。封底被裁。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2227
1921 Canton (3 Feb) to England, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c, tied by Canton BPO Webb type Eii (index B) cds.Transit Hong Kong.
1921. 2. 3 廣州寄英國，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙，銷廣州英局Webb Eii型（B字）日戳。經香港，
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2228
1899 Canton (9 Sep) to France. Peak view PPC, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c in pair, tied by Canton BPO Webb type Di (index A) cds. Transit Hong Kong (9 Sep). Webb stated that this type of cds is curiously rare as nearly all examples of type D bear index B. This postcard predates the record of Webb (18 Dec 1899).
1899. 9. 9 廣州寄法國。山頂風光明信片，貼香港維多利女皇像2仙雙連，銷廣州英局Webb Di型（A字）日戳。9. 9經香港。Webb指此戳之大部分例子均為B字，A字例子甚為少見。此片日期比Webb的記錄（1899年12月18日）更早。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2229
1902 England (11 Mar) to Shameen, applied with London M.O.O. d.s. Transit Hong Kong Money Order Office (11 Apr). Arrived Canton BPO (12 Apr) with Webb type Dii (index B) arrival cds. Hong Kong Money Order Office cds as transit is also very scarce.
1902. 3. 11 英國寄沙面，鈐倫敦M. O. O. 方形始發日戳。4. 11經香港Money Order Office。4. 12抵廣州英局，鈐Webb Dii型（B字）日戳。蓋有香港Money Order Office日戳作中轉戳亦十分少見難得。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 8,000

CANTON

The 25 mm Large standard type CANTON datestamps

Two datestamps were sent from London on 11 Jan. 1907. Webb type E is recorded with index letters A & B
Sub-type 1 is recorded from April 1907 to 1922. It became very worn and rarely seen used after April 1919.
Sub-type 2 is recorded from September 1919 to 25 November 1922 on ‘China’ overprint stamps.



1909 registered cover to France via Siberia showing Canton type E sub-type 1

Registration handstamp recorded from Nov. 1907 to 22 Nov. 1922

2226



1921 cover to England showing Canton type E sub-type 2 on KGV CHINA overprint stamp

2227

CANTON

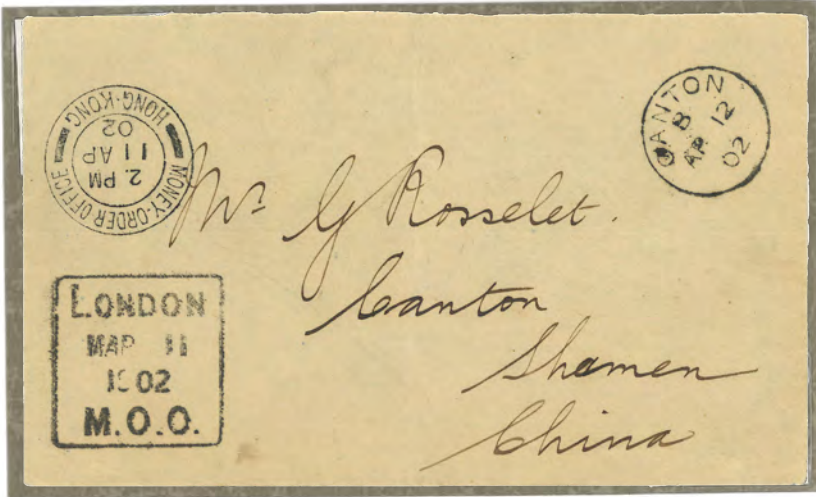
21½ mm CANTON datestamp

Two datestamps were sent from London on 23 OCT 1899. Webb type D recorded with index letters A & B.



8 Sept. 1900 postcard to France showing the first datestamp with index letter A.
Recorded from Jan. 1900 to July 1908

2228



11 March 1902 official letter from Money Order Office, London to Hong Kong and Canton
showing the second datestamp with index letter B. Recorded from Dec. 1899 to Feb. 1907

2229

CANTON

21½ mm CANTON datestamp with single-figure year

25 October 1905
Colombo to Canton
NO 9 / 5 index A in Red arrival
Webb type Div
Recorded infrequently between
Aug. 1905 to Nov. 1906
Less than eight examples
on covers recorded



3 January 1905
Kobe to Canton

JA 13 / 5 index A arrival
Webb type Div
Recorded Jan. 1905 to Sept. 1906

Earliest recorded

2230

2231

29 May 1906
Canton to Sydney
MY 29 / 6 index B reversed
Webb type Dvi
Recorded infrequently between
Feb. 1905 to Dec. 1906



2232

2230
1905 Celyon (25 Oct) to Canton. Picture postcard, f.w. Ceylon KEVII 6c, tied by Colombo cds. Transit Hong Kong (8 Nov). Arrived Canton BPO (9 Nov) with scarce Webb type Div (index A) cds in red. Less than 8 examples of this cds on covers were recorded according to Dr. Andrew Cheung.
1905. 10. 25 錫蘭寄廣州。風光明信片，貼錫蘭愛德華七世6仙，銷可倫坡日戳。11. 8經香港。11. 9抵廣州英局，鈐少見之廣州英局Webb Div型（A字）紅色日戳。張文德醫生統計此戳蓋於封片上之例子少於八件。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2231
1905 Japan (3 Jan) to Canton. Picture postcard, f.w. Chrysanthemum 4s, tied by Kobe cds, Transit Hong Kong (12 Jan). Arrived Canton BPO (13 Jan) with scarce Webb type Div (index A) cds in black. It is the earliest recorded Webb type Div cds and predates the record of Webb (25 Sep 1905).
1905. 1. 3 日本寄廣州。圖片明信片，貼菊切手4錢，銷神戸日戳。1. 12經香港。1. 13抵廣州英局，鈐少見之廣州英局Webb Div型（A字）日戳。此為最早之Webb Div型日戳例子，比Webb的最早記錄（1905年9月25日）更早。
Estimates HK\$ 2,400 - HK\$ 4,000

2232
1906 Canton (29 May) to Australia. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by scarce Canton BPO Webb type Dvi (index reverse B) cds. Transit Hong Kong (30 May), Sydney. Arrived Molong (25 Jun). This type of cds features a reversed index B and single digit of year.
1906. 5. 29 廣州寄澳洲。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷少見之廣州英局Webb Dvi型（反B字）日戳。5. 30經香港，隨後經悉尼。6. 25抵Molong。此款日戳特徵為帶有反B字，年份僅有單位數。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2233
A group of Hong Kong KEVII, KGV and KGV ovpt. CHINA used stamps used by Canton BPO Webb type Eii (index B) and Eiii (reversed B) cds. Examples of type Eiii cds are rather rare.
一組香港愛德華七世、佐治五世及加蓋CHINA舊票，銷廣州英局Webb Eii及Eiii（反B字）型日戳。當中Eiii型日戳尤其少見。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2234
1908 Canton (20 Jul) to USA. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 2c in pair, tied by Canton BPO Webb type Ei (index A) cds. Webb stated that index A is rarer than index B.
1908. 7. 20 廣州寄美國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世2仙雙連，銷廣州英局Webb Ei型（A字）日戳。Webb指A字日戳比B字少見。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2235
Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c and 25c used blocks, both tied by Canton BPO Webb type Eii cds.
香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙及25仙舊票方連各一件，均銷廣州英局Webb Eii型日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 1,200



2235

CANTON

25 mm CANTON datestamp sub-type 1

Two datestamps were sent from London on 11 Jan. 1907. Webb type E is recorded with index letters A & B Sub-type 1 is recorded from April 1907 to 1922. It became very worn and rarely seen used after April 1919.



Index letter ‘B’ reversed

2233



20 July 1908 postcard from Canton to U.S.A. showing sub-type 1 datestamp with index A.

2234

AMOY 廈門

2236
1844 By Charles A Winchester, medical officer at the British Consulate (21 Oct) to Scotland. Entire letter, sent “via Southampton” and rated “1/-”, probably carried by ship Mor to Hong Kong (2 Nov). Transit London (17 Feb). Arrived Aberdeen (19 Feb).
Very little correspondence from Amoy before the arrival of the AMOY PAID cds have survived. Webb recorded only one dated 15 Mar 1846 which was also from the consulate to Scotland with same rate and Hong Kong transit cds.
1844. 10. 21 由英國領事館醫生Charles A Winchester寄蘇格蘭。郵簡，寫有“via Southampton”及“1/-”郵資，應是由Mor號送至香港，鈐香港11. 2中轉戳。2. 17經倫敦。2. 19抵鴨巴甸。Webb A型“AMOY PAID”日戳抵達前之廈門史前封十分稀罕少見。Webb記錄中僅見一件，日期為1846年3月15日，同樣由領事館寄蘇格蘭，郵資相同並同樣蓋有香港中轉戳。

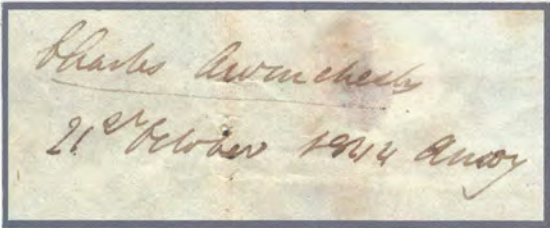
Estimates HK\$ 22,000 - HK\$ 40,000



AMOY

Early letter from the British Consulate

Amoy became a Treaty Port on 2 November 1843 and the British Consulate and postal agency were set up in early 1844. The postal agent in the Consulate was responsible for handling incoming and outgoing mail.



21 October 1844 entire-letter written by Charles A. Winchester who was the medical officer at the British Consulate. Probably carried by the ship *Mor* on 18 November from Hong Kong to Bombay thereby connecting the East Indian ship *Berenice* to Suez on 1 January and the *P&O Iberia* (First sailing) from Alexandria to Malta and the *P&O Braganza* to Southampton arriving on 16 February. Rated 1 Shilling for a ½ oz. letter.

2236

2237
1857 Amoy (11 Apr) to Jose Matia in Cadiz via forwarding agent Lyall Still & Co. in Hong Kong and Michael Power in Gibraltar. Entire letter, rated “1/4” and sent “via Suez”, applied with Webb type 11 “PAID AT HONGKONG” circular h.s, Hong Kong double-arc transit cds (14 Apr) and oval forwarding agent seal. Very little correspondence from Amoy before the arrival of the AMOY PAID cds have survived. Webb recorded only one dated 15 Mar 1846 from the consulate to Scotland.
1857. 4. 11 廈門經香港郵政代理Lyall Still & Co及直布羅陀郵政代理Michael Power寄加的斯Jose Matia。郵簡，寫有“via Suez”及“1/4”郵資，鈐Webb 11型小皇冠“PAID AT HONGKONG”圓戳、香港雙弧中轉戳（4. 14）及橢圓形轉運代理戳記。Webb A型“AMOY PAID”日戳抵達前之廈門史前封十分稀罕少見。Webb記錄中僅見一件，日期為1846年3月15日，由領事館寄蘇格蘭。
Estimates HK\$ 18,000 - HK\$ 30,000



AMOY

Pre-adhesive period

A British Consulate and postal agency were set up in 1844 on Kulangsu island in the bay of Amoy. The postal agent was responsible for collecting charges for unpaid incoming letters. Outgoing letters had to be sent unpaid or to an agent in Hong Kong to pay the postage on them.



11 April 1857 entire-letter from Amoy to Cadiz sent by ship to a forwarding agent Lyall Still & Co. who pre-paid the letter in Hong Kong to Gibraltar.
Sent by *P&O Madras* from Hong Kong 15 Apr. to Galle, *P&O Bengal* to Suez and *P&O Pera* from Alexandria to Gibraltar arriving on 30 May. Forwarding agent from Gibraltar to Cadiz.
The ½ oz. letter rate to Gibraltar was 1s10d and this is a letter under 2 oz.

2237

2238
1862 Amoy (29 Mar) to Scotland, sent “via Marseilles” and rated “1/6”, applied with Webb type A “AMOY PAID” cds in red. Transit Hong Kong (1 Apr). Arrived Edinburgh (13 May). Webb only recorded 8 pre-adhesive usage of this cds on covers and this one was dated later than Webb’s record (26 Mar 1862). In Nov 2024, AVA offered an entire from Amoy to Jose Matia in Cadiz dated 26 Apr 1861 with same type A cds which was hammered at HKD\$52,000 (lot 2538).
1862. 3. 29 廈門寄蘇格蘭。郵簡，寫有“via Marseilles”及“1/6”郵資，鈐Webb A型“AMOY PAID”廈門已付紅色日戳。4. 1經香港。5. 13抵愛丁堡。Webb記錄中，蓋有此戳之無貼票封僅有八件，而這件日期比Webb的記錄（1862年3月26日）更晚。2024年11月艾華秋拍中，一件1861年4月26日自廈門寄加的斯Jose Matia，蓋有相同A型日戳之郵簡以港幣5萬2千元落鎚（拍品號2538）。
Estimates HK\$ 18,000 - HK\$ 30,000

AMOY

AMOY PAID datestamp - Pre-adhesive usage

This 20mm datestamp was sent from London on 2 AUG 1858. It was applied on prepaid letters during the pre-adhesive period. Webb type A is recorded from April 1859 to August 1863. When stamps became available in 1863, it was used as a cancellation.



29 March 1862 Amoy to Scotland



Sent by coastal steamer to Hong Kong and British Packet via Marseilles. *P&O Behar* from Hong Kong to Galle, *P&O Bengal* to Suez and *P&O Vectis* from Alexandria to Marseilles.
Rated 1s.6d made up of 1s per ½ oz. British Packet rate (from Aug. 1861) plus 6d French Transit rate for a ½ oz. letter. The Amoy post office kept 1s.5d and credit 1d to Hong Kong for handling in transit.
On reverse, Hong Kong transit c.d.s. dated 1 APR 62 and Edinburgh arrival 13 MAY 62.

2238

2239
A group of 6 Hong Kong QV used stamps applied with Webb type A “AMOY PAID” cds in red and B62 obliterator, denominations from 2c to 18c.
一組六枚香港維多利亞女皇像舊票，均銷廈門英局Webb A型 “AMOY PAID” 日戳及B62殺手戳，面值由2仙至18仙。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2240
1865 Amoy (5 Jul) to Manila. Entire letter, f.w. Hong Kong QV 8c in pair, tied by Webb type A “AMOY PAID” cds in red. Transit Hong Kong (8 Jul) and canceled adhesive again with B62 obliterator. Arrived Manila and was levied with 1 Real rate. Webb only recorded 13 post-adhesive usage of this cds on covers while Pearson recorded 16. In 2025 (Jul), AVA offered a stamped cover from Amoy to USA dated 26 Oct 1865 with same type A cds and B62 obliterator which was hammered at HKD\$42,000 (lot 2914).
1865. 7. 5 廈門寄馬尼拉。郵簡，貼香港維多利亞女皇像8仙雙連，銷廈門英局Webb A型 “AMOY PAID” 日戳。7. 8經香港，貼票再銷B62殺手戳。抵馬尼拉後需再付1里爾本地郵資。Webb記錄中，蓋有此戳之貼票封僅有十三件，Pearson記錄則十六件。2025年7月艾華夏拍中，一件1865年10月26日自廈門寄美國之貼票封，蓋有相同A型日戳及B62殺手戳，以港幣4萬2千元落鎚（拍品號2914）。
Estimates HK\$ 28,000 - HK\$ 50,000

AMOY

AMOY PAID datestamp - Used as a cancellator

This datestamp was used as a departure cancellation from Sept 1864 to June 1867. Upon arrival at Hong Kong, the adhesives were overstamped B62 before forwarding.



2239



5 July 1865 letter from Amoy to Manila carried by coastal steamer to Hong Kong arriving on 8 July and then by private ship to Manila arriving on 20 July. The P&O contract packet service to the Philippines was terminated in 1860. The 16¢ rate is made of 8¢ from Amoy to Hong Kong and a further 8¢ from Hong Kong to Manila. Upon arrival 1 Real rate for a ½ oz. letter was levied by the local post office.

2240

2241
1868 Amoy (6 Feb) to USA, applied with Amoy BPO type Di cds on reverse. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 4c + 12c + 30c, tied by B62 obliterator, matching with Hong Kong (9 Feb) transit cds. Transit London and applied with “3CENTS” marking for trans-altantic fee. Overpayment example as the rate should be 34c. With certificate.
1868. 2. 6 廈門寄美國，背面鈐廈門英局Di型日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像4仙 + 12仙，銷B62殺手戳，另見香港2. 9中轉戳。再經倫敦，鈐“3CENTS”戳記付跨大西洋郵資。正確郵資為34仙，故為溢貼。附證書。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2242
1875 Amoy (29 Mar) to USA, applied with Amoy BPO type Dii cds in blue on reverse. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 8c, tied by B62 obliterator with Hong Kong Paid All cds. Transit San Francisco (29 Apr). Exam-ple of 1867 Anglo-American Convention rate. This type Dii cds dated later than the record of Webb (15 Feb 1875).
1875. 3. 29 廈門寄美國，背面鈐廈門英局Dii型藍色日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像8仙，銷B62殺手戳，旁鈐香港PAID ALL日戳。4. 29經三藩市。1867年英美郵政協議郵資例子。此封Dii型日戳之日期比Webb記錄（1875年2月15日）更晚。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

AMOY

Between 1867 to 1875, the Amoy office backstamped the outgoing mail only and left the adhesives uncanceled. Upon arrival, Hong Kong applied the B62 to cancel the stamps. Two datestamps were used as backstamps Webb type Di and Dii during this period.



2241

6 Feb. 1868 letter from Amoy to New York carried by British Packet via Southampton to England and by Cunard liner *Russia* to New York arriving on 17 April. 19.5mm Amoy Webb type Di in black on reverse. From 1 Jan. 1868, the rate to U.S.A. became 34¢ per ½ oz., this letter was overpaid.



2242

29 March 1875 letter from Amoy to New York paying the 8¢ per ½ oz. Anglo-American Convention rate of 1867. Carried by coastal steamer to Hong Kong and then the *PMSS City of Peking* to San Francisco via Japan arriving on 28 April. 20mm Amoy Webb type Dii on reverse in blue 29 MR 75

2243
1873 Amoy (27 Jan) to Hong Kong. Entire letter, applied with Amoy BPO type Dii cds in blue on reverse.
On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 4c + 12c, tied by B62 obliterator, matching with Hong Kong arrival cds (29 Jan). On front with oval Amoy company seal. This type Dii cds dated early than the record of Webb (5 May 1874).
1873. 1. 27 廈門寄香港。郵簡，背面鈐廈門英局Dii型藍色日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像4仙 + 12仙，銷B62殺手戳，旁鈐香港1. 29到達戳及橢圓形廈門公司戳。此封Dii型日戳之日期比Webb記錄（1874年5月5日）更早。

Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 10,000

2244
Hong Kong QV 8c used stamp, tied by deep blue A1 obliterator. Webb stated that A1 obliterator is rarer in blue than in black.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷深藍色A1殺手戳。Webb指藍色A1殺手戳較黑色稀罕。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2245
Hong Kong QV 8c used stamp with wing margin, tied by “washed” pale blue A1 obliterator. Webb stated that A1 obliterator is rarer in blue than in black.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票帶闊邊，銷淺藍色A1殺手戳。Webb指藍色A1殺手戳較黑色稀罕。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2246
Hong Kong QV 6c used stamp, tied by “washed” pale blue A1 obliterator. Webb stated that A1 obliterator is rarer in blue than in black.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票帶闊邊，銷淺藍色A1殺手戳。Webb指藍色A1殺手戳較黑色稀罕。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2247
1876 Amoy (Feb) to England. Cover front, f.w. Hong Kong QV 30c, tied by A1 obliterator in blue. Webb recorded 18 covers and postcards with A1 obliterator. It is the earliest recorded A1 cover and the only one in blue. Dr. Andrew Cheung was awarded with Wilde Cup for this discovery in 1999.
1876. 2 廈門寄英國封面，貼香港維多利亞女皇像30仙，銷藍色A1殺手戳。Webb記錄中蓋有A1殺手戳之封片有十八件。此為日期最早，並唯一一件蓋有藍色A1戳者。張文德醫生憑此發現於1999年榮獲Wilde Cup。

Estimates HK\$ 20,000 - HK\$ 40,000

AMOY

Pre-obliterator period



27 January 1873 Amoy to Hong Kong inter-treaty port letter carried by China coastal steamer

Between 1867 to 1875, the Amoy office backstamped the outgoing mail only and left the adhesives uncanceled. Upon arrival, Hong Kong applied the B62 to cancel the stamps.
This is a double-rate letter under 1 oz. Amoy type Dii struck on reverse and stamps cancelled upon arrival.

2243

AMOY

The A1 Obliterator in Blue

The A1 obliterator was used by the Postal Agency on the island of Ku Lang Seu. Recorded in blue and then black from Feb. 1876 to Dec. 1882. It is believed that blue ink was used initially until April 1876 when the ink colour changed to black. Two shades of blue are recorded – Deep Blue and Washed Blue.



2244



2245



2246



2247

Feb. 1876 cover-front from Amoy to England by British Packet showing A1 cancellation in "Washed-blue" shade. Offset of Amoy Webb type Dii c.d.s. 8 FE 76 from another cover.
Amoy to Hong Kong by private ship and *P&O Gwalior* from Hong Kong to Galle, *P&O Australia* to Suez and *P&O Baroda* to Brindisi. London arrival 25 March 1876. 30¢ British Packet rate for a ½ oz. letter.

Earliest and only recorded blue A1 cover

AMOY

The A1 Obliterator in Black

19 mm straight-line Amoy datestamp Webb type E was used with the A1 from July 1876 to Dec. 1882.



2248



2249

9 October 3¢/16¢ U.P.U. postcard to England carried by coastal steamer to Hong Kong in closed bag and sent by British Packet *P&O Khiva* Hong Kong 11 Oct. to Galle, *P&O Deccan* to Southampton arriving 24 Nov. Portsmouth arrival c.d.s. 25 NO 79 on reverse. 3¢ U.P.U. postcard rate effective from 1 April 1879.

One of the six such postcards recorded

2248

A group of 6 Hong Kong QV used stamps, all tied by A1 obliterator in black.
一組六枚香港維多利亞女皇像舊票，銷黑色A1殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,800 - HK\$ 3,000

2249

1879 Amoy (9 Oct) to England. Hong Kong postcard f.w. QV surch 3c/16c (Yang P1a), tied by A1 obliterator, alongside with Amoy BPO Webb type E cds. Arrived Portsmouth (25 Nov). One of the 6 postcards with A1 obliterator.
1879. 10. 9 廈門寄英國。香港明信片貼維多利亞女皇像改值3仙蓋16仙（楊目P1a），銷A1殺手戳，旁鈐廈門英局Webb E型日戳。11. 25抵Portsmouth。為六件蓋有A1殺手戳的明信片之一。

Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 30,000

2250

A group of 6 Hong Kong QV used stamps, all tied by D27 obliterator.
一組六枚香港維多利亞女皇像舊票，銷D27殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2251

1884 Amoy (24 Jan) to Germany, f.w. Hong Kong 10c, tied by D27 obliterator, alongside with Amoy BPO Webb type D cds. Transit Hong Kong (27 Jan). Arrived Germany. Webb recorded 17 covers with D27 obliterator.
1884. 1. 24 廈門寄德國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷D27殺手戳，旁鈐廈門英局Webb D型日戳。1. 27經香港。抵德國。Webb記錄中，鈐D27殺手戳之信封僅有十七件。

Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 30,000

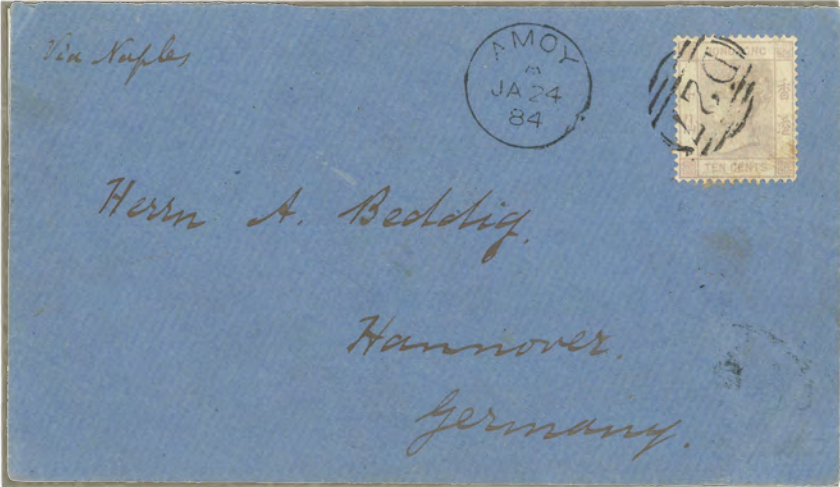
AMOY

The D27 Obliterator

The D27 obliterator was assigned to the sub-Post Office on the mainland where all the trading establishments were situated. Only found in black and used with Amoy Webb type Dii c.d.s. Recorded from Aug. 1876 to Jan. 1884.



2250



24 Jan. 1884 letter to Germany carried by coastal steamer to Hong Kong arriving on 27 Jan. sent by French Packet *SS Djemnah* to Naples arriving on 28 Feb. Overland to Hanover arriving on 3 March 1884 10¢ per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. U.P.U. rate from 1 March 1880.

2251

2252
1897 Amoy (9 Oct) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong QV 4c in pair + 2c for 10c UPU rate, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Dii cds. Showing “Pr Coptic” annotation. Transit San Francisco (6 Nov). Arrived New York (11 Nov).
1897. 10. 9 廈門寄美國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像4仙雙連 + 2仙，合10仙萬國郵盟郵資，銷廈門英局Webb Dii型日戳。寫有“Pr Coptic”批示。11. 6經三藩市。11. 11抵紐約。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2253
1885 Amoy (27 Jan) to Canada, f.w. Hong Kong QV 30c at top right and 10c at bottom left for 30c registered letter rate, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Dii cds., alongside with R mark and “via San Francisco” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (29 Jan), San Francisco (8 Mar). Arrived Halifax (18 Mar).
1885. 1. 27 廈門寄加拿大，右上貼香港維多利亞女皇像30仙，左下貼10仙，銷廈門英局Webb Dii型日戳，旁鈐R章及寫有“via San Francisco”批示。1. 29經香港，3. 8經三藩市。3. 18抵Halifax。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2254
1892 US Consulate Amoy (27 May) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong QV 5c x2 for 10c UPU rate, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type E cds. Transit Hong Kong (30 May), San Francisco (23 Jun).
1892. 5. 27 美國駐廈門領事館寄美國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙x2，合10仙萬國郵盟郵資，銷廈門英局Webb E型日戳。5. 30經香港，6. 23經三藩市。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2255
1888 Amoy (12 May) to Canada, f.w. Hong Kong QV surch 20c/30c without Chinese character at top right and 10c at bottom left, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type E cds., alongside with R mark and “Per SS Batavia via Vancouver” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (16 Jul). Arrived Halifax (26 Jun).
1888. 5. 12 廈門寄加拿大，右上貼香港維多利亞女皇像改值20仙蓋30仙，左下貼10仙，合10仙萬國郵盟郵資，銷廈門英局Webb E型日戳，旁鈐R章及“Per SS Batavia via Vancouver”批示。7. 16經香港。6. 26抵Halifax。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2256
1897 Amoy (20 Feb) to Germany. Hong Kong QV 4c PSC, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type F (index C) cds. Transit Hong Kong (23 Feb). Arrived Stassfurt (28 Mar).
1897. 2. 20 廈門寄德國。香港維多利亞女皇像4仙郵資片，銷廈門英局Webb F型（C字）日戳。2. 23經香港。3. 28抵Stassfurt。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2257
1899 Amoy (7 Feb) to Largs, Scotland, redirected to Edinburgh, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type F (index C) cds. Transit Hong Kong (9 Feb), Arrived Largs (13 Mar) and redirected to Edinburgh (13 Mar).
1899. 2. 7 廈門寄蘇格蘭Largs，改寄愛丁堡，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷廈門英局Webb F型（C字）日戳。2. 9經香港，3. 13抵Largs，同日改寄愛丁堡。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

AMOY

AMOY type Dii datestamp - Used as a cancellator

After the withdrawal of the obliterators in 1882, Webb type Dii was used to cancel stamps at the post office on the mainland. Recorded from June 1882 to July 1903. Outer rim damaged at 4 o'clock from 1884.



2252

9 Oct. 1897 letter posted at the mainland agency sent by OOSS Coptic from Amoy directly to San Francisco arriving on 6 Nov. New York arrival 11 Nov. Trans-Pacific steamer sailed from Hong Kong and also stopped at ports on China coast for mail. 10¢ U.P.U. rate for a ½ oz. letter.



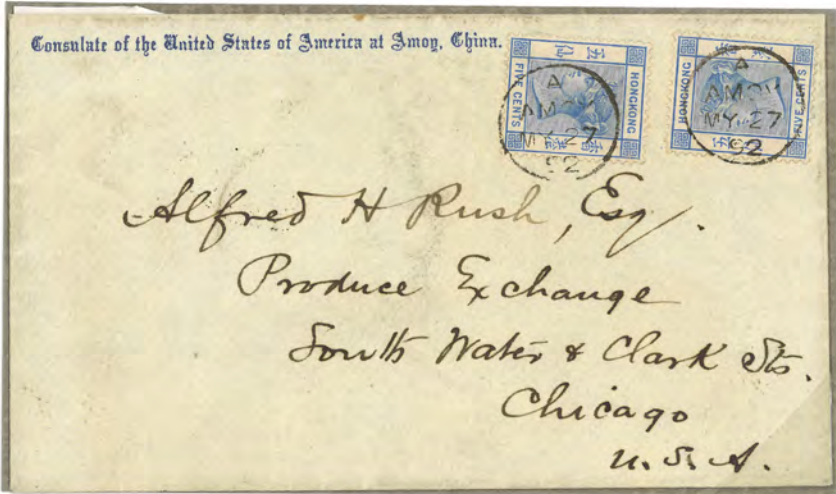
2253

27 Jan. 1885 Triple-rate registered letter from the mainland agency sent by PMSS City of New York from Hong Kong to San Francisco arriving on 8 March. Halifax arrival 18 March. Hong Kong transit dated 29 Jan. 30¢ U.P.U. letter rate for a 1½ oz. letter plus 10¢ registration fee.

AMOY

AMOY type E datestamp - Used as a cancellator

After the withdrawal of the obliterators in late 1882, Webb type E was used to cancel stamps at the island Ku Lang Seu post office. Recorded from Feb. 1882 to Nov. 1894.



27 May 1892 letter from the American Consulate at Amoy to Chicago sent by PMSS China from Hong Kong on 2 June to San Francisco arriving on 23 June. 10¢ U.P.U. ½ oz. letter rate.

2254



1888 Double-rate registered letter to Canada sent by PMSS City of Rio de Janeiro from Hong Kong to San Francisco, 14 June. Halifax arrival 26 June. 20¢ U.P.U. rate per oz. plus 10¢ registration.

2255

AMOY

22 mm AMOY datestamp

Webb type F with index C, used at the Ku Lang Seu Agency. Recorded from Dec. 1894 to Nov. 1899.



2256

20 Feb. 1897 postcard written in Volapük to Germany sent by P&O Ravenna from Hong Kong and P&O China from Colombo to Brindisi arriving on 26 March. Stassfurt arrival 28 March.



7 Feb. 1899 letter to Scotland sent by French Packet SS Laos from Hong Kong via Naples to England.

2257

2258
Hong Kong QV surch 20c/30c with Chinese character in block of 9, used by Amoy BPO type G (index A) cds.
香港維多利亞女皇像改值20仙蓋30仙連中文面值九方連，銷廈門英局Webb G型（A字）日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 500 - HK\$ 1,500

2259
1903 Amoy (22 Jun) to Denmark, f.w. Hong Kong QV 5c in pair for 10c UPU rate, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type G (index A) cds. Transit Hong Kong (26 Jun).
1903. 6. 22 廈門寄丹麥，貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙雙連，合10仙萬國郵盟郵資，銷廈門英局Webb G型（A字）日戳。6. 26經香港。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2260
1900 Amoy (24 Sep) to Hong Kong. Double-registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV surch 20c/30c in pair for 40c double weight + double reigstration rate, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type G cds., alongside with circled R mark and “AR” mark in red. Less than 5 “AR” covers were recorded among which it is the earliest.
1900. 9. 24 廈門寄香港。雙掛號封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像改值20仙蓋30仙雙連，合40仙雙倍重量 + 雙掛號郵資，銷廈門英局Webb G型日戳，旁鈐R章及紅色AR章。同類型雙掛號封記錄中不足五件，此為日期最早者。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2261
A group of Hong Kong QV and KEVII used stamps, tied by Amoy BPO type Hi (index A) and Hii (index B) cds. Type Hii cds is especially scarce as Webb only recorded three examples.
一組香港維多利亞女皇及愛德華七世舊票，均銷廈門英局Webb Hi型（A字）及Hii型（B字）日戳。當中Hii型尤其少見，Webb記錄中僅見三例。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,500

2262
1912 Amoy (31 Jan) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 1c x4 + 2c + 4c, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Hi (index A) cds. Transit Hong Kong (2 Feb).
1912. 1. 31 廈門寄美國，貼香港愛德華七世1仙x4 + 2仙 + 4仙，銷廈門英局Webb Hi型（A字）日戳。2. 2經香港。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,500

AMOY

21 mm AMOY datestamp

This was sent from London on 23 October 1899. Webb type G with index A, used at the Ku Lang Seu Agency. Recorded from Dec 1899 to Oct 1906.



2258



2259

22 July 1903 letter to Denmark sent by Germany Packet from Hong Kong. 10¢ U.P.U. ½ oz. letter rate

AMOY

AR Registration Handstamp

Proud records the “AR” boxed marking used on 3 Nov. 1902 at the post office on Ku Lang Seu island.



24 Sept. 1900 registered letter to Austria sent to Hong Kong on 25 Sept. by Osaka Shosen Kaisha *Maidzuru Maru* arrived on 26 Sept. *P&O Clyde* from Hong Kong 29 Sept. to Colombo, *P&O Rome* to Port Said and *P&O Isis* to Brindisi arrived on 25 Oct. 20¢ per oz. U.P.U. rate plus 10¢ registration fee and 10¢ AR fee. 21mm Amoy Webb type G datestamp.

Less than five “AR” covers recorded
This is the earliest recorded

2260

AMOY

22 mm AMOY datestamp

This was sent from London on 29 October 1899. Webb type H with index A & B used at the mainland office. Two periods of use are recorded: March 1902 to Nov. 1906 and also from Jan. 1912 to Feb. 1916. Index B recorded between June and Dec. 1915 only.



31 Jan. 1912 letter to U.S.A. sent by Trans-Pacific mail. 10¢ U.P.U. rate. Type H c.d.s. index A.

2262

AMOY

25 mm AMOY datestamp sub-type 1

Two similar datestamps were sent from London on 11 January 1907. One was taken into used with index letter A and B at the mainland post office. Webb type J can be found with 'Day before or after Month'. Recorded from Apr. 1907 to July 1922.



Index B 'Day before Month'
June 1917 usage of KGV issue



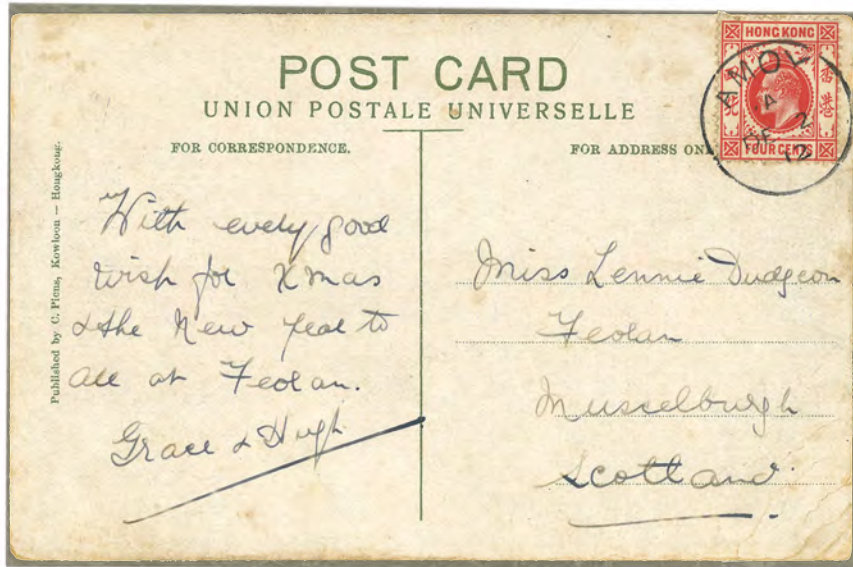
Index B 'Day before Month'
on 'China' overprint



Index B 'Month before Day'



2264



2 Dec. 1912 postcard to Scotland showing Webb type J with index A.

2265

AMOY

25 mm AMOY datestamp sub-type 2

Webb type J is the second datestamp with 3½ mm tall letters despatched from the G.P.O. London on 11 January 1907. The top of A to the middle of the Y of AMOY is 15 mm instead of 14 mm. This datestamp is recorded on loose stamps and pieces from Feb. 1912 to 15 Aug. 1916, almost all with index letter E and until recently, no covers are known. The datestamp with index F is even scarcer, being only recorded on a few loose stamps from Jan. to May 1917. It is thought that this datestamp was taken into use only during busy times.

2266



15 May 1916 registered cover to England rated 14¢ (4¢ postage on reverse and 10¢ registration fee)
Sent via Hong Kong and by mailboat to England, London registry arrival 14 June 1916.

One of three covers recorded and this is the only registered cover



Index F
15 MY 17

2267



Index E
AU 15 16

Latest recorded

2268



Index F
26 MR 17

2269

2266

1916 Amoy (15 May) to England. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV 1c in pair + 4c in pair on front and 1c single x5 on reverse, tied by Amoy BPO type Jii (index E) cds., alongside with type Riv registered mark. Arrived London (14 Jun). Webb stated that index B, E and F are all scarce on type J cds. One of the 3 recorded covers with type Jii index E cds and it is the only registered one. Illustration in “A new Amoy registered cover type Jiii index E c.d.s.” by Dr. Andrew Cheung.
1916. 5. 15 廈門寄英國。掛號封，前貼香港佐治五世1仙四方連，背貼1仙雙連 + 4仙雙連，背貼1仙x5，銷廈門英局Webb Jii型（E字）日戳，旁鈐Riv型掛號章。6. 14抵倫敦。Webb指B字、E字及F字在J型日戳上均少見。此為鈐Jii型E字日戳之三件信封之一，並為當中唯一一件掛號封。 張文德醫生著《A new Amoy registered cover type Jiii index E c. d. s. 》原件。

Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 25,000

2267

Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 12c in block of 4, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Jiv (index F) cds. Index B, E and F are all scarce on type J cds but index F are the rarest.
香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 12仙四方連，銷廈門英局Jiv型（F字） 日戳。B字、E字及F字在J型日戳上均少見，但F字最為難得。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2268

Hong Kong KGV 4c used stamp, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Jiii (index E) cds, dated 15 Aug 1916 which is the latest record. Index B, E and F are all scarce on type J cds.
香港佐治五世4仙，銷廈門英局Webb Jiii型（E字）日戳，日期為1916年8月15日，為最晚記錄。B字、E字及F字在J型日戳上均少見。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2269

Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 4c in block of 4, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Jiv (index F) cds. Index B, E and F are all scarce on type J cds but index F are the rarest.
香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 4仙四方連，銷廈門英局Jiv型（F字） 日戳。B字、E字及F字在J型日戳上均少見，但F字最為難得。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

AMOY

Boxed Registration Handstamps



2270

Ku Lang Seu Agency boxed marking. Recorded from NOV 1907 to NOV 1922. Also showing is the double-ring AMOY BRITISH POST OFFICE type K datestamp.



Mainland Agency boxed marking. Recorded from MAR 1915 to JUL 1922. 25mm AMOY c.d.s. now used with index letter B.

2271

2270
1919 Amoy (14 Jul) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c in pair, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Ki cds., alongside with type Riv registered mark. Arrived Chicago (24 Aug).
1919. 7. 14 廈門寄美國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙雙連，銷廈門英局Webb Ki型日戳，旁鈐Riv型掛號章。8. 24抵芝加哥。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2271
1919 Amoy (2 Apr) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 20c with perfin, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Jii (index B) cds, alongside with type Riv registered mark. Arrived USA (5 May).
Cover back partly trimmed.
1919. 4. 2 廈門寄美國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 20仙帶公司針孔，銷廈門英局Webb Jii型（B字）日戳，旁鈐Riv型掛號章。5. 5抵美國。封背部分被裁。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2272
Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 20c block of 10 and single, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Ki (index B) cds and type Kii cds respectively. Type Ki index B cds and type Kii cds are both scarce as the usage was only recorded in 1922.
香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 20仙十方連及單枚舊票，分別銷廈門英局Webb Ki型B字日戳及Kii型日戳。Ki型B字日戳及Kii型日戳均僅見於1922年，甚為難得。
Estimates HK\$ 800 - HK\$ 1,500

2273
1919 Amoy (25 Oct) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c, tied by Amoy BPO Webb type Ki index F cds. Transit Hong Kong (17 Oct). Arrived Chicago (22 Nov).
1919. 10. 25 廈門寄美國，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙，銷廈門英局Webb Ki型F字日戳。10. 17經香港。11. 22抵芝加哥。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 2,500

AMOY

Double-ring Amoy British Post Office datestamp

This datestamp was sent from London probably in 1916 and it is believed that it was used at the Ku Lang Seu Island post office. Webb type K with index F is recorded from Oct. 1916 to Nov. 1922; index B is recorded only in 1922 and with **time** slug is recorded from Dec. 1920 to Nov. 1922.



Index -B-



2272

Time slug



25 Oct. 1919 letter to Chicago sent by Trans-Pacific mail from Hong Kong to San Francisco showing type K datestamp with index F.

2273

FOOCHOW

福州

2274
1844 By Mr. Tradescant Lay, British Consulate Foochow (28 Dec) to England. Entire letter, rated “1/-”, carried privatley to Hong Kong and applied with Hong Kong double-arc transit d.s. (15 Jan). Arrived London (26 Apr). This mail was carried by EIC Sesostris, P&O Bentinck and Great Liverpool. Foochow became a treaty port on 2 Nov 1843. Mr. Tradescant Lay established a British Consul and postal agency in Jun 1844. It is the earliest recorded letter from Foochow BPO. A rarity.
1844. 12. 28 由英國駐福州領事Mr. Tradescant Lay寄英國。郵簡，寫有郵資“1/-”，私人送遞至香港，1. 15 鈴香港雙弧中轉日戳。4. 26抵倫敦。此封經東印度公司Sesostris、鐵行輪船公司Bentinck及Great Liverpool 號送遞。福州在1843年11月2日成為商埠。而Mr. Tradescant Lay於1844年6月成立英國領事館及郵政代理。此為記錄中最早之福州英局信件，為一大珍品。

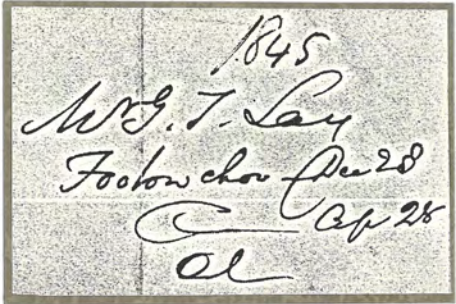
Estimates HK\$ 30,000 - HK\$ 50,000



FOOCHOW

Earliest recorded letter

Foochow became a Treaty Port on 2 November 1843 and Mr. Tradescant Lay, the British Consul established the Consulate and a postal agency in June 1844.



28 December 1844 wrapper containing a letter written by the Consul Tradescant Lay. Sent privately to Hong Kong and then by the ship *Island Queen* or *Charles Forbes* on 26 January from Hong Kong to Bombay. EIC *Sesostris* Bombay to Aden and the *P&O Bentinck* to Egypt and *P&O Great Liverpool* to Southampton on 25 April 1845. Rated 1 Shilling for a ½ oz. letter. Hong Kong type 7 c.d.s. JA 15 1845.

2274

2275

1867 Foochow (26 Jan) to England, applied with Foochowfoo BPO Webb type B cds. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 24c, tied by B62 obliterator, matching with Hong Kong cds (30 Jan). Arrived Tenby (21 Mar). First month usage of this type A cds while the earliest record by Webb was 9 Jan 1867.

1867. 1. 26 福州寄英國，背面鈐福州英局Webb B型日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像24仙，銷B62殺手戳，另鈐香港1. 30中轉戳。3. 21抵Tenby。為福州英局B型日戳之首月例子（Webb之最早記錄為1867年1月9日）。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2276

1875 Foochow (10 Jul) to Australia, applied with Foochowfoo BPO Webb type B cds. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 24c, tied by B62 obliterator, matching with Hong Kong cds (15 Jul). Arrived Melbourne (20 Aug). It is the latest recorded cover from Foochow BPO with adhesive cancelled by B62 obliterator.

1875. 7. 10 福州寄澳洲，背面鈐福州英局B型始發日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像24仙，銷B62殺手戳，另鈐香港7. 15中轉戳。8. 20抵墨爾本。此為出自福州英局，並以B62殺手戳銷票之最晚記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

FOOCHOW

The first Foochow datestamp was sent out from England in 1866 and Foochow Post Office did not cancel the adhesives on outward mails until mid-1875; the stamps were cancelled B62 at Hong Kong.



26 Jan. 1867 letter to England via Southampton franked 24¢ per ½ oz. rate. Sent by private ship to Hong Kong and then by P&O Salsette to Galle, P&O Nubia to Suez and P&O Ceylon from Alexandria to Southampton. Backstamped FOOCHOWFOO c.d.s. dated 26 Jan. Tenby arrival 21 Mar.

First month of usage of FOOCHOWFOO datestamp



10 July 1875 cover from Foochow to Australia carried by coastal steamer to Hong Kong and then by the Eastern & Australian Steamship Co. vessel to Melbourne via Torres Straits. This small shipping company provided an alternative for mail to Australia via the west coast from 1874; the letter rate was 1s per ½ oz.

Latest recorded cover from Foochow cancelled B62

2276

2277

1874 Foochow (12 Jun) to Australia, f.w. Hong Kong QV 4c + 6c, tied by scarce F1 obliterator, matching with Webb type B Foochowfoo BPO cds. Transit Hong Kong (13 Jun). Arrived Melbourne (27 Jul). Showing Proud type I220 “DEFICIENT POSTAGE / FINE” marking at Hong Kong and “1s MORE TO PAY” oval marking. In total of 1sh/1d due on arrival was levied. It is the earliest usage of F1 obliterator in private (while other 2 covers with the same date are in Hong Kong Museum of History) as well as the earliest recorded usage of Hong Kong Deficient Postage marking.

1874. 6. 12 福州寄澳洲，貼香港維多利亞女皇像4仙 + 6仙，銷少見之F1殺手戳，另鈐福州府英局Webb B型日戳。6. 13經香港。7. 27抵墨爾本。鈐Proud I220型“DEFICIENT POSTAGE / FINE” 資費不足橫戳及 “1s MORE TO PAY” 橢圓形戳記。到達時欠資合計1先令1便士。此為私人集藏中日期最早的F1封（另有兩件相同日期的信封藏於香港博物館），同時為蓋有香港資費不足戳之最早例子。

Estimates HK\$ 24,000 - HK\$ 40,000

FOOCHOW

The F1 Obliterator

This cancel was sent out from England in 1866 but it was not taken into regular use for cancelling stamps until end of July 1875¹



12 June 1874 underpaid letter to Melbourne sent by the *Legislator*, a ship of the Eastern and Australian Mail Steamship Company which departed from Foochow on 14 June with 800 tons of tea². Arrived in Hong Kong on 18 June and left on 20 June to Singapore arriving 27 June to pick up passengers and mail from the eastbound *P&O Malwa*. Sailed to Java and via the Torres Straits to Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne arriving on the 27 July.

The packet rate to Australia was normally one shilling (24¢) per ½ oz. and this letter was underpaid 7d. The deficiency was noted by Hong Kong and DEFICIENT POSTAGE FINE..... Proud type I220 was struck by the Hong Kong clerk. A fine of 6d for insufficiently prepaid letters was levied thus totalling 1s 1d due on arrival.

Before 1876 letters from Foochow were sent in sealed bags uncanceled to Hong Kong for processing. Noticing the unusual/incorrect franking on this letter, the sorter at Foochow acknowledged receipt by cancelling the stamps with the F1 obliterator and probably sent it separately to Hong Kong for rate assessment¹.

Earliest recorded usage of the F1 obliterator - the only one in private hands³
Earliest recorded usage of the Hong Kong Deficient Postage marking

1. Article by the exhibitor in the Hong Kong Philatelic Society newsletter March 2006
2. Australia New Zealand UK Mails to 1880 by Colin Tabcart published 2004 UK
3. Two covers are known dated the same and the other is in the Hong Kong Museum of History, Hong Kong Philatelic Society newsletter May 2006

2277

2278

1875 Foochow (3 Aug) to Australia, f.w. Hong Kong QV 24c, tied by scarce F1 obliterator, matching with Foochowfoo BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Hong Kong (6 Aug) with additional B62 obliterator on adhesive. Arrived Melbourne (14 Sep). Covers applied with F1 obliterator are very scarce. It is the only recorded cover with F1 and B62 obliterator combination and the 3rd earliest F1 cover according to Richard Gurevitch.

1875. 8. 3 福州寄澳洲，貼香港維多利亞女皇像24仙，銷少見之F1殺手戳，另鈐福州英局Webb B型日戳。8. 6經香港，貼票再銷B62殺手戳。9. 14抵墨爾本。鈐F1殺手戳之封片十分難得。按Richard Gurevitch記載，此為日期第三早的F1封以及唯一一件同時蓋有F1及B62殺手戳之孤例。

Estimates HK\$ 24,000 - HK\$ 40,000

2279

1875 Foochow (6 Aug) to Australia, f.w. Hong Kong QV 6 in strip of 3 + 30c, tied by scarce F1 obliterator in violet, matching with Webb type B Foochowfoo BPO cds. Transit Hong Kong (12 Aug). Arrived Melbourne (14 Sep). Showing Proud type I220 “DEFICIENT POSTAGE / FINE” marking at Hong Kong and “1s MORE TO PAY” oval marking. It is the 4th earliest F1 cover recorded by RN Gurevitch.

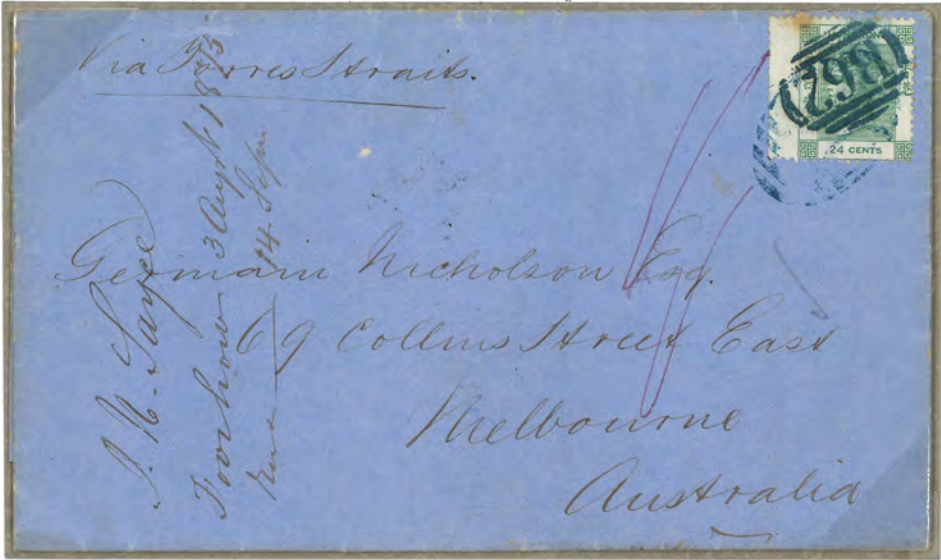
1875. 8. 6 福州寄澳洲，貼香港維多利亞女皇像6仙三連 + 30仙，銷少見之F1紫色殺手戳，另鈐福州府英局Webb B型日戳。8. 12經香港。9. 14抵墨爾本。鈐Proud I220型“DEFICIENT POSTAGE / FINE” 資費不足橫戳及“1s MORE TO PAY” 橢圓形戳記。按RN Gurevitch記錄，此為第四早之F1封。

Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 30,000

FOOCHOW

The F1 Obliterator

Both letters were sent by contract ship to Hong Kong and by *P&O Cathay* from Hong Kong on 14 Aug. to Singapore arriving on 20 Aug. Eastern & Australian Company ship *Brisbane* from Singapore 21 Aug. via Torres Straits to Australia. Melbourne arrival c.d.s. SP13 75 (upper) and SP14 75 (lower).



2278

3 August 1875 “F1” Oblierator in blue overstruck by blue-black “B62” of Hong Kong

Only letter recorded with this combination^{1,2} and Third earliest “F1” cover recorded²



2279

6 August 1875 underpaid triple-rate letter to Melbourne at 1/- per ½oz. rate, prepaid 2/- (48¢). 1/- + 6d fine to pay on arrival. **Fouth earliest “F1” cover recorded²**

1. Hong Kong postal clerks were instructed to cancel adhesives sent from the Treaty Ports before 1876 when separate obliterator were issued to these places. Few loose adhesives are also known with this combination.
2. Richard Gurevitch Hong Kong Franked Covers of the QV period published 2017

2280
1876 Foochow (5 Jun) to Australia, f.w. Hong Kong QV 24c in pair with wing marign, tied by scarce F1 obliterator in violet, matching with Foochowfoo BPO Webb type B cds on reverse. Transit Hong Kong (9 Jun). Arrived Melbourne (20 Jul).
1876. 6. 5 福州寄澳洲，貼香港維多利亞女皇像24仙雙連帶左寬邊，銷少見之F1紫色殺手戳，另鈐福州府英局Webb B型日戳。6. 9經香港。7. 20抵墨爾本。
Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 25,000

2281
1879 Foochow (14 Apr) to England. Hong Kong postcard f.w. QV surch 3c/16c (Yang P1), tiedby scarce F1 obliterator in black, alongside with Foochowfoo BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Hong Kong (18 Apr). Arrived Brighton (24 May). It is the earliest recorded stationery card by French packet and one of the two card with F1 obliterator (another one in Connaught Collection). Ex- Burghard.
1879. 4. 14 福州寄英國。香港明信片貼維多利亞女皇像改值3仙蓋16仙（楊目P1），銷難得之F1黑色殺手戳，旁鈐福州府英局Webb B型日戳。4. 18經香港，5. 24抵Brighton。此為兩件蓋有F1殺手戳的郵資片之一（另一件見於Connaught集藏），並為由法國郵船送遞的最早者。Burghard舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 20,000 - HK\$ 30,000

FOOCHOW

The F1 Obliterator

The “F1” obliterator is recorded in shades of blue and violet, after 1877, it is known in black only. The latest recorded date of use of the “F1” is 18 December 1884.

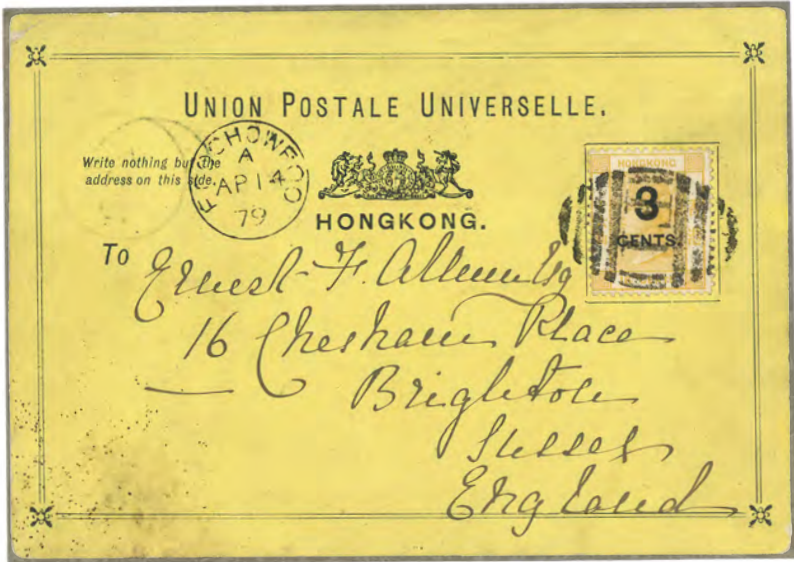


“F1”
in violet-blue

2280

5 June 1876 sent by contract ship to Hong Kong, *P&O Teheran* from HK 17 June to Singapore 24 June Eastern & Australian Company ship *Normanby* Singapore 24 June via Torres Straits to Australia because of missed connection at Galle. Melbourne arrival JY20 76.

“F1” in black
ex Burghard



14 April 1879 postal card to England via Marseilles sent by contract ship to Hong Kong, *MM Anadyr* to Naples arrived 23 May. From May 1879 mails from Paris and north of France were offloaded here. French Packet *MM Anadyr* was the first French ship called at Naples (see Salles Tome V pp. 107).
Earliest recorded postal card by French Packet and one of two cancelled “F1”

2281

2282
1897 Foochow (28 Oct) to Nova Scotia. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 5c in pair + 10c, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type C cds, alongside with circled R mark. Transit Hong Kong (2 Nov). Arrived St John, Canada (13 Dec).
1897. 10. 28 福州寄新蘇格蘭。掛號封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙雙連 + 10仙，銷福州英局Webb C型日戳，另鈐帶圈R章。11. 2經香港。12. 13抵加拿大St John。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2283
1897 Foochow (20 Aug) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c x5 + 10c, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type C cds. Transit Amoy BPO (24 Aug) for PMSS City of Peking which stopped at Amoy for San Francisco. Arrived Boise City (26 Sep). On reverse with D M Melnikoff oval seal.
1897. 8. 20 福州寄美國。掛號封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙x5 + 10仙，銷福州英局Webb C型日戳。8. 24經廈門英局以登上PMSS City of Peking號前往三藩市。9. 26抵Boise City。背面蓋有D M Melnikoff橢圓形戳記。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2284
Hong Kong QV 2c in pair and strip of 4 on piece, both tied by Foochow BPO Webb type E (index A) cds. 香港維多利亞女皇像2仙雙連及橫四連剪片，銷福州英局Webb E型（A字）日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 300 - HK\$ 1,000

2285
1904 Foochow (27 Dec) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 20c, tied by Foochow FPO Webb type E (index A) cds., alongside with circled R mark. Transit Hong Kong (31 Dec). Arrived Philadelphia (8 Feb).
1904. 2. 27 福州寄美國，貼香港愛德華七世20仙，銷福州英局Webb E型（A字）日戳，旁鈐帶圈R章。12. 31經香港。2. 8抵費城。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 2,000

2286
A group of 3 Hong Kong KEVII 2c and 4c in strips, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type F (index C) cds. 一組三件愛德華七世2仙及4仙橫連，均銷福州英局Webb F型（C字）日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 300 - HK\$ 1,000

2287
1906 England (25 Aug) to Foochow. Picture postcard, f.w. KEVII 1d. Transit Hong Kong (25 Sep). Arrived Foochow BPO (Oct) with Webb type F (index C) arrival cds.
1906. 8. 25 英國寄福州。圖片明信片，貼愛德華七世1便士。9. 25經香港。10月抵福州英局，鈐Webb F型（C字）到達戳。
Estimates HK\$ 700 - HK\$ 1,500

FOOCHOW

21½ mm FOOCHOW datestamp

Webb type C/Proud D3 with oval Os and index letter C is recorded from Mar. 1894 to Dec. 1899. It was re-introduced in Nov. 1905 and Aug. 1906.



28 Oct. 1897 registered letter to Nova Scotia sent by Douglas Lapraik *Haimun* on 29 Oct. to HK arrived on 2 Nov. *PMSS City of Peking* 9 Nov. to San Francisco arriving on 4 Dec.; St. John arrived 13 Dec. PMSS sailed from HK stopping only at Shanghai and Japan enroute on this trip.



20 Aug. 1897 registered letter to U.S.A. carried to Amoy and sent on 24 Aug. by *PMSS City of Peking* to San Francisco arrived on 22 Sept., Boise City arrived 26 Sept. At this time, PMSS steamer stopped at Amoy, Shanghai and Japan for mail enroute to San Francisco. Hence the Amoy backstamp.

2283

FOOCHOW

21 mm FOOCHOW datestamp with index letter A

Webb type E/Proud D6 was one of the two datestamps sent from London on 23 Oct. 1899 and the London GPO record shown below shows it was initially fitted with index letter C 5mm below the rim. When it was taken into use from about January 1900, the index letter was changed to letter A. Two theories have been proposed for this change: (I) Agent vs Clerk and (II) Time code A for a.m.



2284



27 December 1904 registered letter to U.S.A. sent via Hong Kong 31 Dec. by P&O Bengal, P&O Victoria from Colombo and P&O Osiris Port Said to Brindisi 26 Jan. Trans-atlantic mail to Philadelphia 8 February arrival. Webb type E characterized by round Os and index A is recorded use from Jan. 1900 to Dec. 1906.

2285

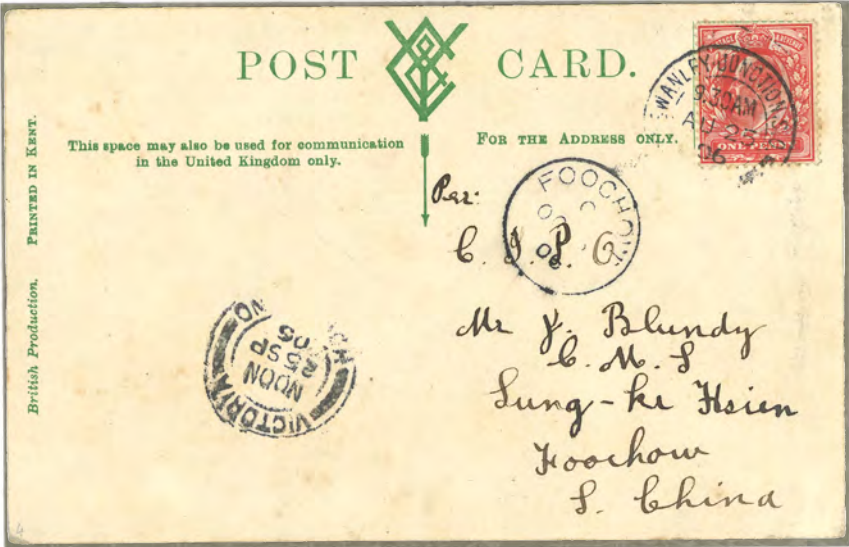
FOOCHOW

22 mm FOOCHOW datestamp with index C

Webb type F/Proud D7 was one of the two datestamps sent from London on 23 Oct. 1899 and the London GPO record shown below shows it was initially fitted with index letter C 6mm below the rim. It was not taken into use until mid-1905 and therefore only found on KEVII adhesives. The index letter remained as C.



2286



1906 postcard from England to Foochow via Hong Kong sent from London by NDL Prince Ludwig to Hong Kong and ship Hiaching on 28 Sept. to Foochow. Webb type F with round Os and index C. Recorded use from June 1905 to October 1908.

2287

2288

1907 Foochow (9 Feb) to Ceylon, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 1c x10, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type G cds. Transit Hong Kong (14 Feb), Colombo (28 Feb). Arrived Kandy (28 Feb) and redirected to Kegalle (2 Mar). It is the rarest Foochow BPO cancellation and its usage was short. One of the 3 outgoing mails with this type of cds.

1907. 2. 9 福州寄錫蘭，貼香港愛德華七世1仙x10，銷福州英局Webb G型日戳。2. 14經香港，2. 28經可倫坡。2. 28抵Kandy，改寄Kegale，3. 2抵達。此為最稀罕之福州英局郵戳，使用時間甚短。為三件蓋有此戳寄國外例子之一。

Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2289

1906 England (18 Dec) to Foochow. Picture postcard, f.w. KEVII 1d. Arrived Foochow BPO (15 Jan) with scarce type G cds. It is the rarest Foochow BPO cancellation and its usage was short. One of the 3 incoming mails with this type of cds.

1906. 12. 18 英國寄福州。圖片明信片，貼愛德華七世1便士。1. 15抵福州英局，鈐稀罕之G型日戳。此為最稀罕之福州英局郵戳，使用時間甚短。為三件蓋有此戳之進口例子之一。

Estimates HK\$ 9,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2290

Hong Kong KEVII 1c in block of 4, tied by scarce Foochow BPO Webb type G cds. It is the rarest Foochow BPO cancellation and its usage was short.

香港愛德華七世1仙四方連，銷稀罕之福州英局G型日戳。此為最稀罕之福州英局郵戳，使用時間甚短。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2291

1913 Foochow (21 Nov) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 8c with T&Co perfin in strip of 3, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type I cds, alongside with type L registered mark. Showing “PER FIRST STEAMER” annotation. Transit Shanghai BPO (24 Nov). Arrived USA (23 Dec). With Dodwell & Co wax seal on reverse.

1913. 11. 21 福州寄美國。掛號封，貼香港愛德華七世8分帶T&Co針孔三連，銷福州英局Webb I型日戳，旁鈐L型掛號章。印有“PER FIRST STEAMER”批示。11. 24經上海英局。12. 23抵美國。背面帶有Dodwell & Co火漆封口。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2292

1922 Foochow (1 Jul) to Hong Kong. Double-registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 8c in strip of 3, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type J cds., alongside with type L registered mark, framed “AR” mark and circled postman name seal. On reverse with Dodwell & Co. forwarding agent seal. Arrived Hong Kong (Jul). Less than 5 AR covers from Foochow BPO were recorded.

1922. 7. 1 福州寄香港。雙掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 8仙三連，銷福州英局J型日戳，旁鈐L型掛號章、帶框AR章及郵差名字圓戳。背面鈐Dodwell & Co轉運代理戳。抵香港。福州英局之雙掛號封存世不足五件。

Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2293

1919 Foochow (4 Nov) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c, tied by Foochow BPO Webb type J cds. Transit Foochow Chinese PO (4 Nov), Shanghai Chinese PO (7 Nov). Arrived Chicago (9 Dec). Cover partly removed. Very peculiar example via Chinese postal system.

1919. 11. 4 福州寄美國，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙，銷福州英局Webb J型日戳。同日交福州中國郵局，11. 7經上海中國郵局。12. 9抵芝加哥。封背部分被剪。此封經中華郵政送遞，十分奇特。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

FOOCHOW

Double-ring FOOCHOW B.P.O. datestamp

Webb type G is recorded from 9 July 1906 to 11 Apr. 1907. The examples here show different time codes being used, “1.” and “10” which represents 1pm and 10am. The system was introduced at around 1906 to 1907 at most Treaty-Port Post Offices.



2288

9 Feb. 1907, cover from Foochow sent by ship *Java* to HK and *MM Tourane* on 19 Feb. to Ceylon showing this double-ring datestamp. Redirected from Kandy to Kegalle.

One of the three outward mail recorded



NO 13 1906
“10”
2290

18 December 1906 postcard from England. Ship *Haimun* to Foochow arrived JA 15 1907

One of the three inward mail recorded

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FOOCHOW

Boxed Registration Handstamp
ERD: 27 Jan. 1908; LRD: 25 Nov. 1922.

PER FIRST STEAMER

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FOOCHOW.B.P.O.

NO 176

Registered

Messrs. J. B. Lincoln & Co.,
818 Western Avenue,
SEATTLE, Wash.
U: S: A:

HONG KONG
FOUR CENTS
FOUR CENTS
FOUR CENTS

Two 25mm datestamps were sent from London on 11 Jan. 1907 recorded with index letters A to F representing time codes.

Webb type I
Wide OO, narrow H
Recorded use:
May 1907 to Sept. 1917

FOOCHOW
C
NO 26
07

21 Nov. 1913 registered letter from China Trader Dodwell, Foochow to U.S.A. sent by private ship to HK and *PMSS Persia* 24 Nov. to San Francisco. Rail route to Washington. 10¢ rate for a ½ oz. letter plus 10¢ registration fee. Note the HK KE adhesives bear the perforated initials of the sender T&Co LTD

1 July 1922 registered letter from Dodwell, Foochow to HK sent by private ship to HK. 4¢ rate for a ½ oz. letter plus 10¢ registration fee and 10¢ AR fee. Note the earliest type postman delivery handstamp with Chinese character 生.

Webb type J recorded use:
July 1915 - 30 Nov. 1922
Only with time index

Less than five
AR covers recorded

REGISTERED

A.R.

FOOCHOW.B.P.O.

NO 198

George H. Chubb Esq., Apprentice,
c/o Messrs. Taikoo Dock & Engineering Co. Ltd.,
HONGKONG.

HONG KONG
FOUR CENTS
FOUR CENTS
FOUR CENTS

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FOOCHOW

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FOOCHOW

Double-ring BRITISH POST OFFICE FOOCHOW datestamp

NOV 11 1907
DEC 8 P.M.
CHICAGO

HONG KONG
CHINA
TEN CENTS

MESSRS MONTGOMERY WARD & CO:
CHICAGO:
U.S.A.:

BRITISH POST OFFICE
7 PM
NO 4
19
FOOCHOW

海上
SHANGHAI
7 NOV 19
14

1919 cover to Chicago showing transmission of Foreign Post Office mail through Chinese Post Offices. On reverse, C.P.O. Shanghai dated 7 Nov. 1919 where this letter was put on board trans-Pacific service to San Francisco. Foochow Webb type J B.P.O. datestamp is recorded from July 1915 to 30 Nov. 1922.

2293

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ANPING

安平

2294
1895 Anping (13 Jul) to Isle of Wight, England, applied with scarce Anping BPO Webb type A cds (with wrong month “JU” instead of “JY”), matching with manuscript “Anping / 13.7.95” at bottom left corner. F.w. Hong Kong QV 5c in pair upon transit and tied by Hong Kong (16 Jul). Arrived Sandown (19 Aug). The only example of Anping BPO cds on Hong Kong adhesive as well as one of the two covers bearing Anping BPO cds recorded by Webb (another cover dated 29 Jul 1889 from Anping to England. Ex- Burghard, Ishikawa).

Illustration plate 35 in “The Philatelic and Postal History of Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports of China and Japan” by F.W.Webb.
Ex- Burghard

1895. 7. 13 安平寄英國懷特島，鈐珍罕難得之安平英國客郵局Webb A型日戳（誤植月份JU而非JY），左下角寫有“Anping / 13. 7. 95”。7. 16中轉香港，加貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙雙連。8. 19抵Sandown。Webb記錄中以安平英局日戳銷香港票之孤例，同是兩件鈐安平英局日戳的信封之一，極為難得。（另一件為1889年7月29日安平寄英國，Burghard及石川良佐舊藏）。

F.W.Web著《The Philatelic and Postal History of Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports of China and Japan》
Plate 35 原件
Burghard舊藏

Estimates HK\$ 200,000 - HK\$ 400,000

ANPING

Tainan and Tamsui in Formosa or Taiwan became treaty ports under the terms of the Treaty of Tientsin in 1860. A British Consulate was established in Tainan and a vice-consul was stationed at the port of Anping in charge of the mail passing through this port. A 20½ mm single-ring c.d.s. was in use from 1889 to 1895 based on examples on loose stamps. Following the conclusion of the Sino-Japanese War of 1894-95, Taiwan was ceded to Japan in 20th year of the Guangxu reign period (1895) under the Treaty of Shimonoseki signed between China and Japan on 17 April 1895. British Treaty Port rights therefore lapsed.



Letter endorsed 13 July 1895 from Anping, Formosa to the Isle of Wight

Most likely sent by the gunboat *HMS Rainbow* which arrived in Hong Kong on 16 July according to the *China Mail* of July 1895. From Hong Kong this letter was transhipped to *P&O Khedive* on 18 July to Colombo and *P&O Rome* to Brindisi arriving on 17 Aug. Sandown arrival 19 Aug.
Had the adhesive stamps been on the cover at the time of mailing, they would have been cancelled by the postal clerk. Therefore, it is conceivable that the letter was mailed without stamps and the pair of 5¢ was added in transit and cancelled upon arrival in Hong Kong.

ANPING c.d.s. dated ‘13 JU 95’ month slug ‘JU’ instead of ‘JY’ used in the month of July.
Webb type A is recorded from May 1889 to August 1895.

One of two covers recorded with the Anping c.d.s.¹

1. The other over is dated 29 July 1889 with a QV10¢ green to Bury St. Edmunds, England ex. Burghard, Ishikawa, Chan

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上海

2295

1844 Shanghai (21 Jan) to England. Entire letter, sent “overland via Marseilles” and rated “1/10”, applied with “FORWARDED BY / CHINA / HOLLIDAY WISER” and “INDIA” oval seal. Transit Bombay. Arrived London (5 May). It is the earliest recorded letter from Shanghai. Historical. Existing correspondence from this early period are scarce as the foreign population was only 90 according to Webb.

1844. 1. 21 上海寄英國。郵簡，寫有“overland via Marseilles”及郵資“1/10”，鈐“FORWARDED BY / CHINA / HOLLIDAY WISER”及“INDIA”橢圓形戳記。經孟買。5. 5抵倫敦。此為記錄中上海寄出之最早郵件。Webb指1840年代居於上海的外國人僅90名，故存世信件極罕。

Estimates HK\$ 30,000 - HK\$ 50,000



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Pre-postal period

The British Consulate was opened in Nov. 1843 and postal service was set up in April 1844. Prior to that date, outward letters were sent by forwarding agents; postage to be collected on arrival. There were about twenty three foreign residents living in Shanghai in 1844.



21 Jan. 1844 entire-letter from Shanghai transmitted by China and Bombay forwarding agents. Sent by *Frankland* from Shanghai on 22 Jan. to Macau 3 Feb. and by another ship to Bombay. *EIC Carnac* was despatched from Bombay with mail on 13 Mar. for the *P&O Bentick* which sailed from Galle to Suez arriving on 12 Apr. Probably sent by Admiralty packet to Malta and French Packet *SS Tancrede* to Marseilles arriving on 1 May. Overland to London arriving on 5 May.

Rated 1s10d on arrival made up of 1s British Packet rate, 5d French transit and 5d Mediterranean for a letter weighing ¼ oz. 1843 Anglo-French Convention rate for mail via France to England.

Earliest recorded letter from Shanghai

2295



2296
1856 Shanghai (6 Oct) to France. Entire letter, rated “1/” and “10”, sent “via Marseilles overland”, applied with extremely scarce Webb type 1 “SHANGHAE POST OFFICE PAID” crowned circular seal. Transit Hong Kong (12 Oct). Transit French paquebot (30 Nov). Webb recorded 3 examples on cover while Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded fifteen and it is one of the three addressing to France. It is also the 4th one offered by AVA. (The latest census records 18 examples, please see the list below).
1856. 10. 6 上海寄法國。郵簡，寫有郵資 “1/” 、 “10” 及 “via Marseilles overland” ，鈐極罕之Webb 1型 “SHANGHAE POST OFFICE PAID” 大皇冠圓戳。10. 12經香港。11. 30經法國郵船。Webb記錄之大皇冠封僅有三件，張文德醫生記錄則有十五件（最新更新至十八件，見下表）。此為當中三件寄法國者之一，同時是艾華所曾經手的第四件。

Estimates HK\$ 100,000 - HK\$ 200,000

LARGE CROWN SHANGHAE POST OFFICE PAID WEBB TYPE 1 COVERS EXTANT 實寄封存世記錄

17 covers were reported in HKPS 2014 census. However, the earliest only surfaced in Chazen sales of Ava Auction in 2013, bringing the total to 18. Reference: <https://dev.hkpsociety.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/large-crown.pdf>. Updated in Asian Philatelist 2025.

香港郵學會2014年記錄有 17 枚實寄封存世，而最早的一件在2023年艾華拍賣中出現，故存世共有18件：

1. 1850 年上海（11 月 29 日）寄往美國紐約（次年 3 月 7 日），途經香港、英國。帶內函。
2. 1851 年上海（10 月）寄往羅切斯特（12 月 21 日），途經南安普敦。帶內函。
3. 1852 年上海寄往孟買，途經香港（1852 年 1 月 29 日），信封背面封蓋缺失。
4. 1853 年上海（7 月）寄往費城的弔唁郵封，“1853 年 10 月 15 日到達”。
5. 1855 年上海（11 月 6 日）寄往巴黎（1856 年 1 月 1 日），正面有香港框式 “PAID” 戳記。
6. 1856 年上海（4 月）經馬賽寄往倫敦。信封背面蓋有韋伯 1 型郵戳，封上有香港框式 “PAID” 戳記。
7. 1856 年上海（8 月）經新加坡寄往悉尼（1856 年 12 月 11 日），信封上有香港框式 “PAID” 戳記。
8. 1856 年上海經香港（9 月 12 日）寄往南威爾士斯旺西（11 月 3 日）。封上有香港 “PAID” 日戳。
9. 1856 年上海 “經陸路途經馬賽” 寄往法國瓦爾雷阿斯。11 月 30 日到達巴黎。
10. 1856 年上海（10 月 6 日）經馬賽寄往巴黎。
11. 1856 年上海（10 月 6 日）經馬賽寄往法國里昂，蓋裡安通信。
12. 1856 年上海經香港（香港日戳 10 月 12 日）寄往美國南卡羅來納州查爾斯頓。
13. 1856 年上海經香港（香港日戳 10 月 12 日）寄往法國巴黎。
14. 1857 年上海（6 月 20 日）經錫蘭寄往悉尼，信封上有 “誤寄至維多利亞州墨爾本” 日戳。
15. 1857 年上海（7 月）經紐約（1857 年 10 月）寄往康涅狄格州紐黑文。
16. 1857 年上海（7 月 28 日）經錫蘭、香港（8 月 5 日日戳）寄往悉尼，10 月 18 日到達悉尼。
17. 1858 年上海（4 月 13 日），寄往英國，正面有香港框式 “PAID” 戳記，途經馬賽，6 月 12 日到倫敦。
18. 1858 年上海（4 月 24 日）經香港寄往伯明翰，信封正面有香港框式 “PAID” （7 月 20 日）戳記。

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The Crown SHANGHAE POST OFFICE PAID handstamp



6 October 1856 entire-letter from M. Dereix, Shanghai to France care of Poste Restante Paris Post Office. Sent by *P&O Shanghai* to Hong Kong arriving on 12 Oct., *P&O Malta* to Galle, *P&O Nubia* to Suez and *P&O Valetta* to Marseilles. INDES OR. AMB. Marseilles entry mark 28 Nov. Poste Restante Paris 30 Nov. Rated 1shilling being the ½ oz. British Packet rate paid to Alexandria. 10 decimes to be collected on arrival. Around 1849 prepayment of postage became possible; the Vice Consul was put in charge of the postal agency. The earliest recorded usage of Webb type 1 is 29 January 1852 and the latest 24 April 1858.

There are fifteen letters recorded so far bearing the “Large Crown Shanghae Paid” – to England (5), to Australia (3), to U.S.A. (3), to France (3) and to Bombay (1).

One of the three recorded to France

2296



2297
1860 Shanghai (14 May) to Australia. Entire letter, rated “4”, “2”, applied with scarce Shanghae Webb type 2 double-arc cds in red. Transit Hong Kong (19 May) with framed PAID cachet. Arrived Adelaide (4 Jul). Charles T M Chan recorded 26 covers with Shanghae type 2 cds.
1860. 5. 14 上海寄澳洲。郵簡，寫有郵資 “4” 、 “2” ，鈐少見之上海英局Webb 2型SHANGHAE雙弧紅色日戳。5. 19經香港，另見帶框PAID橫戳。7. 4抵Adelaide。陳文達記錄蓋有SHANGHAE 2型日戳之信封共有26件。
Estimates HK\$ 16,000 - HK\$ 40,000

2298
1860 Shanghai (7 Nov) to USA, rated “1/2”, applied with scarce Shanghae Webb type 2 double-arc cds in red. Transit Hong Kong (11 Nov) with framed “PAID” cachet. Transit London (1 Jan). Charles T M Chan recorded 26 covers with Shanghae type 2 cds.
1860. 11. 7上海寄美國。郵簡，寫有郵資 “1/2” ，鈐少見之上海英局Webb 2型SHANGHAE雙弧紅色日戳。11. 11經香港，另見帶框PAID橫戳。1. 1經倫敦。陳文達記錄蓋有SHANGHAE 2型日戳之信封共有26件。
Estimates HK\$ 16,000 - HK\$ 40,000

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The Broken-circle SHANGHAE datestamp

Webb type 2 was sent from London 28 Aug. 1852. Recorded in red or black from 3 Jan. 1853 – 2 Aug. 1862 as a despatch mark¹. Struck in red on prepaid letters with index 1 and in black as a backstamp with index 3.

14 May 1860 letter to Adelaide
P&O Formosa to HK 19 May
P&O Ganges to Galle 11 June
P&O Salsette Adelaide 4 July

From April 1860 the P&O Australia line commenced from Galle instead of Aden via Mauritius.



Prepaid 8d: Shanghai to Hong Kong 4d, Hong Kong to Adelaide 4d, 2d charge on arrival

2297



7 Nov. 1860 letter to U.S.A. via Southampton sent by P&O Cadiz to Hong Kong, P&O Northam to Galle, P&O Bengal to Suez, P&O Ceylon to Southampton arriving on 31 December Allan's Line Anglo-Saxon Liverpool to Portland 19 Jan. Hong Kong applied PAID handstamp on pre-paid mail from the Treaty Ports during transit and b/s 11 Nov. 1860

1s2d = 6d per ½oz. British Packet rate via Southampton + 8d (16¢) trans-atlantic rate credit by G.B. to U.S.A. 5¢ U.S.A. inland rate to be collected from recipient.

Published research records 26 covers with this Shanghae c.d.s.¹

1. Articles by Charles T.M. Chan FRPSL in the Hong Kong Philatelic Society Journal 8 (2004) and Journal 10 (2006)

2298



2299

1861 Shanghai (3 Mar) to USA, rated “1/2” for British-packet-via-Southampton rate and 16c for trans-atlan-
tic rate, applied with scarce Webb type 2 “SHANGHAE” double-arc cds and type 3 “SHANGHAE / PAID /
POST OFFICE” circular seal. Transit Hong Kong (10 Mar), London (1 May), New York (17 May). Arrived
Annapolis (20 May). Cover opened out for display. Webb recorded less than a dozen of example for type 2
and three covers for type 3. Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded nine for type 3 and it is one of the three addressing
to USA.

1980 (5 Dec) Sotheby Parke Bernet “The Ryohei Ishikawa Collection”, lot 586.
Illustration fig PO-61-5, p. 284 in “”Far East Mail Ship Itineraries Vol I” by Lee C Scamp.

1861. 3. 3 上海寄美國，郵資 “1/2” 合英國郵船經修咸頓郵資及 “16c” 跨大西洋郵資，鈐稀罕難得之Webb 2
型 “SHANGHAE” 雙弧形日戳及Webb 3型 “SHANGHAE / PAID / POST OFFICE” 圓戳。3. 10經香港，5. 1經倫
敦，5. 17經紐約。5. 20抵Annapolis。封剖開以作展示。Webb記錄中，2型戳存世不足十來件，3型戳則只有三
件。張文德醫生記錄3型戳有九件，此為當中三件寄美國者之一。

1985. 12. 5 蘇富比石川良佐專場，拍品號586。
Lee C Scamp著《Far East Mail Ship Itineraries Vol I》第284頁圖PO-61-5原件。
Estimates HK\$ 80,000 - HK\$ 150,000

- 以下為記錄中九件帶有 “SHANGHAE / PAID / POST OFFICE” 3型圓戳之例子
- Here are the 9 recorded examples of “SHANGHAE / PAID / POST OFFICE” type 3 postmark
1. 1860, December 2 to Boston, Mass. (Insufficiently prepaid)
 2. 1861, January to Corfu
 3. 1861, “6” January to London (re: HKPS 2011 June NL)
 4. 1861, February 21 to London (ex. Ishikawa lot 585)
 5. 1861, February 21 to London (re-directed with Crown circle R.)
 6. 1861, March 3 to Annapolis
 7. 1861, March 22 to France
 8. 1861, April to Sydney
 9. 1861, April 5 to Ipswich, Mass

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The Double-ring SHANGHAE POST OFFICE PAID handstamp



ex. Ishikawa, Lee Scamp



3 March 1861 letter from Shanghai to Annapolis forwarded free to Rhode Island during the American Civil War.
Sent by *P&O Aden* to Hong Kong 10 March, *P&O Peking* to Galle, *P&O Candia* to Suez and *P&O Ceylon* to
Southampton 1 May. From Liverpool Allan Line *Nova Scotian* 2 May to Quebec 15 May.
1s2d = 6d per ½oz. British Packet rate via Southampton + 8d (16¢) trans-atlantic rate credit by G.B. to U.S.A.
5¢ U.S.A. inland rate to be collected from recipient. Prepayment of postage was required from Shanghai from
early 1861 to May 1861. Shanghae type 2 c.d.s. index 3 only known used as despatch.
The earliest recorded usage of Webb type 3 is 2 December 1860 and the latest April 1861.
There are seven letters recorded – to U.S.A (2), to Corfu (1), to G.B. (2), to France (1) and to Australia (1)

One of the two recorded to the U.S.A.

2299



Type 5

2300

1861 Shanghai (24 Oct) to France. Entire letter, sent “via Marseilles” and rated “9”, applied with scarce Shanghae BPO Webb type 5 locally made cds. On front with Webb type H “GB / 1F62-4/10” accountancy mark. Transit Marseilles (12 Dec). It is the earliest recorded example of Webb type 5 cds.
1861. 10. 24 上海寄法國。郵簡，寫有“via Marseilles”及郵資“9”，鈐少見之本地製上海英局Webb 5型日戳。正面蓋有Webb H型“GB / 1F62-4/10”計費戳記。12. 12經馬賽。此為上海英局Webb 5型日戳之最早記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 30,000 - HK\$ 50,000

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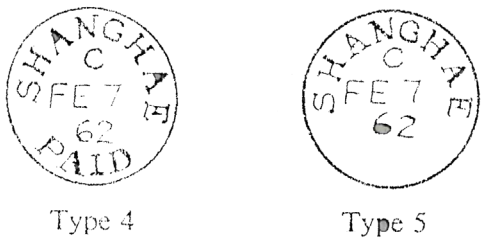
Serif-letters SHANGHAE datestamp



24 Oct. 1861 unpaid entire to Lyon via Marseilles carried under the Anglo-French Convention of 1856. Sent by *P&O Aden* to Hong Kong, *P&O Pottinger* to Galle, *P&O Bengal* to Suez and *P&O Sultan* Alexandria to Marseilles arriving on 12 Dec. POSS. ANG. V. SUEZ applied on arrival in Marseilles. 9 decimes for a letter under 15gms. GB 1^F 62 4/10^c Accountancy marking applied as per Convention.

Earliest recorded usage

2300



2301
1862 Shanghai (23 Jan) to Scotland. Entire letter, rated “1/3” and sent “via Marseilles”, applied with scarce Webb type 4 “SHANGHAI / PAID” and type 5 “SHANGHAE” locally made cds. Transit Hong Kong (27 Jan). Arrived Edingburgh (Mar). Webb only recorded two covers with this pair of cancellations while Dr. Andrew Cheung recoroded eight. (Another printed circular from Kanagawa to Batavia dated 10 Nov 1861 applied with this pair of cancellation as transit is offered in the “Japan and Korea” session, please view)
1862. 1. 23 上海寄蘇格蘭。郵簡，寫有郵資“1/3”及“via Marseilles”，鈐難得之Webb 4型“SHANGHAI / PAID”及5型“SHANGHAE”本地製日戳。1. 27經香港。3月抵愛丁堡。蓋有這對圓戳之信封，Webb記錄僅有兩件，張文德醫生則記錄有八件。（另一件蓋有此兩款圓戳作中轉戳之1861. 11. 10 神奈川寄巴達維亞印刷品將於同場日韓專場中舉槌，敬請留意）

Estimates HK\$ 30,000 - HK\$ 50,000

SHANGHAI

Serif-letters SHANGHAE PAID and SHANGHAE datestamp



1862 pre-paid entire to Edinburgh via Marseilles rated 1s.3d; 1s British Packet rate plus 3d French transit rate. 1s.2d credit to Shanghai and 1d credit to Hong Kong. Serif-letters Shanghae datestamps Webb type 4 & 5 datestamps are recorded from Oct. 1861 to July 1863.

One of the eight recorded covers

2301



2302
1863 England to Shanghai,redirectced to Yokohama. Entire letter, f.w. QV 1sh x5 + 4d for quadruple rate via Marseilles by P&O packet, tied by “2” obliterator with London d.s. Transit Hong Kong (19 Jul). Arrived Shanghai BPO with scarce Webb type 5 locally made “SHANGHAE” cds without date and type A cds. It is the only recorded example of “undated” type 5 cds and the latest record of its type. Bottom right corner damaged but not affecting postmark.
1863年英國寄上海，改寄橫濱。郵簡，貼維多利亞女皇像1先令x5 + 4便士，合鐵行輪船公司經馬賽郵路之四倍郵資，銷 “2” 殺手戳。7. 19經香港。抵上海英局，鈐少見難得之本地製Webb 5型日戳（無日期）及A型日戳。此為未植日期之5型日戳存世孤例，同時為最晚之5型日戳記錄。封右下角有損但不影響郵戳。

Estimates HK\$ 30,000 - HK\$ 50,000

SHANGHAI

Serif-letters SHANGHAE datestamp



1863 in-coming letter from London franked 5s.4d being the quadruple rate via Marseilles by P&O packet. On arrival, it was re-directed by the forwarding agent to Yokohama by private ship. Red ‘2’ was applied in London. On reverse, type A SHANGHAE datestamp applied as an arrival marking and the serifed SHANGHAE without date was probably applied by a Post Office inspector.

Only recorded ‘undated’ example and also the latest recorded usage

2302



Type 6

2303
1863 Shanghai (3 Aug) to Tientsin, rated “4” for inter-treaty port rate, applied with Shanghae BPO Webb type 6 PAID cds. Showing “Per Str Island Queen” annotation. Early mails of Tientsin are scarce.
1863. 8. 3 上海寄天津，郵資“4”合商埠間郵資，鈐上海英局Webb 6型已付日戳。寫有“Per Str Island Queen”批示。早期往來天津之郵件少見。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2304
1864 Ningpo (10 Feb) to Foochow via Shanghai and Hong Kong. Entire letter, rated “7 4 / 11” (7d French packet rate + 4d inter-treaty port rate = 11d), applied with Shanghae BPO Webb type 6 PAID cds and type A cds on the flap. The mail was carried by French packet Hydaspes from Shanghai to Hong Kong (24 Feb) and probably forwarded by P&O Formosa from Hong Kong to Foochow. It is the only recorded inter-treaty port example from Ningpo by French Packet at Shanghai to Hong Kong branch line.
1864. 2. 10 寧波經上海及香港寄福州。郵簡，寫有郵資“7 4 / 11”（7便士法國郵船郵資 + 4便士商埠間郵資，合11便士），鈐上海英局Webb 6型已付日戳及A型日戳。此信先於上海經法國郵船Hydaspes送至香港，再由鐵行輪船公司送至福州。此為自寧波經法國郵船送至香港分支航線之唯一商埠間郵例。
Estimates HK\$ 10,000 - HK\$ 30,000

SHANGHAI

Small SHANGHAE PAID datestamp

Webb type 6 was sent from London on 19 Dec. 1861. Recorded between 5 Mar. 1862 and 26 Aug. 1864.



3 August 1863 Pre-paid letter carried by a local private steamer showing the 4d. Inter-Treaty Port rate.

The Tientsin British Consulate was opened in 1860 and early mail to the port of Tientsin is very uncommon

2303

Written 10 February 1864 pre-paid printed letter from Ningpo to Foochow sent by French Packet *Hydaspes* from Shanghai to Hong Kong and probably sent by the *P&O Formosa* departing HK on 1 March and arriving Foochow on 5 March.

7d French Packet rate + 4d Inter-Treaty Port rate = 11d

Only recorded example Inter-Treaty Port cover from Ningpo by French Packet on Shanghai to Hong Kong Branch Line



2304

2305
1862 Hong Kong (6 Mar) to Shanghai. Entire letter, rated “4” for inter-treaty port rate, applied with Hong Kong PAID cds and index C cds. Arrived Shanghai BPO (16 Mar) with Webb type A cds as arrival (reverse index C). It is the earliest recorded type A cds as arrival marking.
1862. 3. 6 香港寄上海。郵簡，寫有郵資 “4” 合商埠間郵資，鈐香港已付日戳及C字日戳。3. 16抵上海英局，鈐Webb A型反C字到達戳。此為A型日戳用作到達戳之最早記錄。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2306
1863 Shanghai (7 Mar) to USA. Cover front only,, f.w. Hong Kong QV 18c + 24c, in total of 42c, tied by Shanghae BPO Webb type A cds and B62 obliterator. Transit London (2 May), Boston (16 May). When adhesive was introduced in Shanghai (probably beginning of 1863), this cds was used to cancel adhesive for several months. B62 was further applied when the mails arrived at Hong Kong. However, this practice ceased due to an order given in Oct 1863 for unknown reason. It is one of the 3 recorded covers using type A cds to cancel adhesive. In Nov 2023, AVA offered a cover from Shanghai to USA with same address which was also applied with type A cds and B62 on QV 24c stamp and was hammered at HKD60,000 (lot 943).
1863. 3. 7 上海寄美國。西式封封面，貼香港維多利亞女皇像18仙 + 24仙，合42仙，銷上海英局Webb A型日戳及B62殺手戳。5. 2經倫敦，5. 16經波士頓。在1863年初上海郵局開始使用郵票，並以A型日戳銷票。貼票在到達香港後再蓋上B62殺手戳。但在同年十月，此做法因不明原因被下令停止。此為三件以A型日戳銷票之信封之一。2023年11月，艾華曾出售一件上海寄美國相同地址封，同樣以A型日戳及B62殺手戳銷票，落鎚價6萬港元（拍品號943）。
Estimates HK\$ 20,000 - HK\$ 40,000

2307
A group of 5 Hong Kong QV singles, tied by Shanghae BPO Type A cds in black along with B62 obliterator. 一組五枚香港維多利亞女皇像舊票，銷上海英局A型黑色日戳及B62殺手戳。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2308
A group of 3 Hong Kong QV singles and horizontal pair, tied by rare Shanghae BPO Type A cds in blue in which the horizontal pair was the earliest recorded usgae. Webb stated the usage of blue type A cds only lasted for several months in the middle 1865 and was not recorded on cover.
一組三件香港維多利亞女皇像單枚及雙連舊票，銷稀罕之上海英局A型藍色日戳。當中橫雙連為最早使用例子。Webb指藍色A型日戳僅於1865年的數月內使用，少見難得，且未曾見於信封上。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 7,000

SHANGHAI

SHANGHAE datestamp – used as an arrival marking



Prepaid letter written on 6 March 1862 from Hong Kong to Shanghai sent by private ship. Shanghae type A used as an arrival marking. 4d inter-Treaty Port rate prepaid at Hong Kong. Hong Kong Paid type 14a and Hong Kong datestamp type 13 dated 8 Mar. 1862. Notable is the reverse index letter C known on this datestamp in the first few months of use.

Earliest recorded usage as an arrival marking

2305

SHANGHAI

SHANGHAE datestamp - used as a cancellator

Webb type A was sent from London on 19 Dec. 1861. Usually used as a departure marking for letters. It is recorded in 1863 and also between 1864 and 1866 cancelling stamps on letters.



2306

7 March 1863 to U.S.A. franked 42¢, made up of 24¢ British Packet rate plus 16¢ transatlantic fee. As it was carried by a British ship to Boston, the U.S. Post Office only levied 5¢ inland postage.

One of the three recorded covers



2307



EARLIEST RECORDED

SHANGHAE c.d.s. in blue known from 31 AUG 1864 to 16 AUG 1866. Not recorded on cover.

2308

SHANGHAI

The Sunburst Cancellation

1864 to 1865



2309



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2313

Sunbursts in blue



2314



2315



2316

Sunbursts in black on stamps cancelled blue B62

The P&O Steamship Company operated a bi-monthly Branch line from Shanghai to Yokohama from July 1863; adhesives on letters are known from Shanghai and Yokohama cancelled with the “Sunburst” between 1864 and 1865. It is believed that this device may have been introduced in Shanghai for the cancellation of stamps on letters to and from Japan at this time since the S1 or the Y1 obliterations was not in use before 1866. Some researchers also believe that black “Sunburst” cancels are forgeries since many examples are found on faulty stamps already cancelled B62. Furthermore, blue ink was used in Shanghai during 1864 to 1866.

- 2309

Hong Kong QV 24c + 8c on piece, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in blue.
香港維多利亞女皇像24仙 + 8仙舊票剪片，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋藍色戳記。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000
- 2310

Hong Kong QV 8c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in blue.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋藍色戳記。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000
- 2311

Hong Kong QV 8c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in blue and “ADVERTISED” marking. With RPSL certificate.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋藍色戳記及“ADVERTISED”橫戳。附皇家郵學會證書。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000
- 2312

Hong Kong QV 6c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in blue.
香港維多利亞女皇像6仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋藍色戳記。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000
- 2313

Hong Kong QV 8c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in blue.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋藍色戳記。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000
- 2314

Hong Kong QV 2c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in black and B62 obliterator.
香港維多利亞女皇像2仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋黑色戳記及B62殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000
- 2315

Hong Kong QV 8c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in black and B62 obliterator.
香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋黑色戳記及B62殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000
- 2316

Hong Kong QV 2c, tied by scarce Shanghai BPO Sunburst cancellation in black and B62 obliterator.
香港維多利亞女皇像2仙舊票，銷少見之上海英局太陽紋黑色戳記及B62殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000

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SHANGHAE datestamps

Two datestamps with taller letters and symmetrical S were supplied in 1866 but were not brought into use until the middle of 1868. Initially, the 20 mm c.d.s. type Bii was used to backstamp letters sent via Hong Kong and the 19½ mm c.d.s. type Bi used together with the S1 obliterators.



19 June 1868 entire-letter from Shanghai to London sent by *P&O Ellora* 20 June to Hong Kong, *P&O Orissa* to Galle, *P&O Surat* to Suez and *P&O Massilia* to Marseilles 7 Aug. London 10 Aug. 32¢ per ½ oz. rate effective from 1 Aug. 1863; this is a double-rate letter. Prior to 1869, European mails were backstamped in Shanghai and sent uncanceled to Hong Kong; the adhesives were subsequently cancelled B62 in Hong Kong. Cover shows Webb type Bii used as a backstamp; recorded from April 1868 to May 1872.

2317

2317
1868 Shanghai (19 Jun) to England. Entire letter, sent “via Marseilles”, applied with Shanghae BPO Webb type Bii origin cds. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 8c in pair + 24c in pair, in total of 64c double rate, tied by B62 obliterator, alongside with Hong Kong (24 Jun) cds. Arrived London (10 Aug).
1868. 6. 19 上海寄英國。郵簡，寫有 “via Marseilles”，鈐上海英局Bii型日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像8仙雙連 + 24仙雙連，合64仙雙倍郵資，銷B62殺手戳，另見香港6. 24中轉戳。8. 10抵倫敦。
Estimates HK\$ 2,400 - HK\$ 4,000

2318
1870 Austro-Hungarian Consul, Shanghai (5 Apr) to Hong Kong, f.w. Hong Kong QV 8c in strip of 3 for 24c triple rate, tied by type I S1 obliterator in blue, matching with Shanghae BPO Webb type Bi cds in blue on reverse. Showing “per Vulcan” annotation. Arrived Hong Kong (10 Apr). Shanghai post office changed to blue ink for cancellation since Feb 1870.
1870. 4. 5 奧匈駐滬大使館寄香港，貼香港維多利亞女皇像8仙三連，合24仙三倍郵資，銷I型藍色S1殺手戳，旁鈐上海英局Bi型藍色日戳。寫有 “per Vulcan” 批示。4. 10抵香港。上海英局於1870年2月轉用藍色油墨銷票。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

SHANGHAI

The S1 Obliterator - Type I in blue



5 April 1870
Shanghai to Hong Kong
Austro-Hungarian Consulate
General Official mail

By Austrian Lloyd ship *Vulcan*
(1,100 tons, built 1857 Germany)
Hong Kong arrival 10 April

8¢ rate per ½ oz. by private ship
24¢ (1s) triple rate

On reverse:
Shanghae type Bi c.d.s. in blue
AP 5 70
Hong Kong c.d.s. in black
AP 10 70

Shanghai changed to blue ink for
cancelling from February 1870

2319
1869 Shanghai (1 Jul) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong QV 30c + 48c at top right and 6c at bottom right, tied by S1 type I and type II obliterator respectively, matching with Shanghae BPO cds on reverse. Showing “via San Francisco” annotation but actually sent via Suez. Transit Hong Kong (7 Jul), London (20 Aug). Markings “4CENTS” for trans-altantic rate and “Due 3 cents” for local redirection rate were applied. The sender probably underpaid with the top right two stamps only and he affixed the bottom left stamp afterward which explained why two types of S1 obliterator were applied. It is the only usage of two types of S1 obliterator on cover.
1869. 7. 1 上海寄美國，右上貼香港維多利亞女皇像30仙 + 48仙，左下貼6仙，分別銷I型及II型之S1殺手戳，背面另鈐上海英局日戳。雖寫有“via San Francisco”但實際上經大西洋送遞。7. 7經香港。8. 20經倫敦。“4CENTS”戳記為跨大西洋郵資，“Due 3 cents”則為美國本地轉寄郵資。寄件人可能一開始只貼了右上兩枚票，後來補貼左下一枚，故解釋為何使用了兩款S1殺手戳。此為同時蓋有兩款S1殺手戳之孤品。
Estimates HK\$ 6,000 - HK\$ 20,000

For the only known Shanghai type I and II S1 obliterator cover admired by Mr. Patrick Pearson
已故著名香港集郵家費雅信先生於2015年倫敦皇家郵學會欣賞此封



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Combination usage of Type I & II S1 Obliterators



1 July 1869 letter to Boston sent via Marseilles. *P&O Malacca* from Shanghai 2 July to Hong Kong 7 July, *P&O Behar* to Galle, *P&O Deccan* to Suez and *P&O Bangalore* to Marseilles arriving on 20 Aug. London to Liverpool 24 Aug. Cunard liner *Siberia* to Boston arriving on 3 Sept. Re-directed to Gloucester on 9 Oct.
42¢ per ½ oz. rate was effective from Jan. 1868 to Dec. 1869. This is a double-rate letter franked 84¢ or 3s6d, 2d credit to Hong Kong for handling. 4 CENTS accountancy mark Robertson M10 struck in London being credit to USA on pre-paid letters from third countries via England under Anglo-US Convention of 1868. ‘Due 3 cents’ local re-direction charge. Shanghae type Bi 1 JY 69 and Hong Kong c.d.s. 7 JY 69 on reverse.
Although superscribed via San Francisco, when this letter arrived in Hong Kong, *PMSS China* had left Hong Kong the day before. Knowing this possibility could happen the sender prepaid for the more expensive via Suez route. Possibly the sender underpaid the required 84¢ by 6¢ initially and was called back for additional postage, hence the 6¢ stamp being cancelled by a different S1 type.

Only recorded usage of S1 type I and II on cover

2319

2320
1878 Chefoo (20 Apr) to Australia via Shanghai, carried by local post system to Shanghai with Shanghai LPO (1 May) cds on reve. F.w. Hong Kong QV 2c + 6c + 16c, tied by type III S1 obliterator in black, alongside with Shanghae BPO Webb type B cds (2 May). Transit Hong Kong (8 May). Packet agency at Chefoo was not set up before 1903 and therefore this mail was first carried to Shanghai by local post, Unique.
1878. 4. 20 煙台經上海寄澳洲，先由商埠書信館送至上海，鈐上海工部郵局5. 1日戳。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙 + 6仙 + 16仙，銷III型黑色S1殺手戳，旁鈐上海英局Webb B型5. 2日戳。5. 8經香港。煙台郵政代理直至1903年才成立，故此封需先經商埠書信館送至上海中轉，孤品。
Estimates HK\$ 20,00 - HK\$ 40,000

SHANGHAI

The S1 Obliterator - Type III



20 April 1878 letter from Chefoo to Shanghai carried by the Local Post system and then sent by British Post Office to Hong Kong. Eastern and Australian Mail Steamship Company mailboat to Melbourne via Torres Straits. Melbourne arrival 1 Jul. 1878.
24¢ per ½ oz. rate. Postage charged on subscriber's account and stamps applied by Shanghai Local Post.
S1 type III recorded in black from 1877 to 1884 with Shanghae type B c.d.s., Shanghai Local Post 1 MY78

British Consulate in Chefoo was established in 1863, but no packet agency was set up before 1903. Mail to overseas countries had to be sent by the Chinese postal service through Shanghai.

2320

2321
1874 Shanghai (20 Mar) to Hong Kong. Entire letter, sent “pr Meikong” and rated “7”, f.w. Hong Kong QV 6c + 8c, tied by type IV S1 obliterator in blue, matching with Shanghae BPO Webb type Bi cds in blue. Arrived Hong Kong (23 Mar). Given the higher cost compared with British or private ships, existing examples carried by French ships are rare. One of the 6 recorded covers carried by French packet to Hong Kong.
1874. 3. 2 上海寄香港。郵簡，寫有“pr Meikong”及郵資“7”，貼香港維多利亞女皇像6仙 + 8仙，銷IV型藍色S1殺手戳，另鈐上海英局Webb Bi型藍色日戳。3. 23抵香港。由於與英國或私人船隻相比，使用法國郵船成本更高，故存世例子難得少見。為六件經法國郵船寄香港例子之一。

Estimates HK\$ 2,600 - HK\$ 5,000

2322
1877 Shanghai (5 Jun) to Hong Kong, f.w. Hong Kong QV 8c with left wing margin, tied by type V S1 obliterator in black, alongside with Shanghae BPO Webb type Bii cds. Showing “pr China” annotation. Arrived Hong Kong (11 Jun).
1877. 6. 5 上海寄香港，貼香港維多利亞女皇像8仙帶左寬邊，銷V型黑色S1殺手戳，旁鈐上海英局Webb Bii型日戳。寫有“pr China”批示。6. 11抵香港。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2323
1883 Shanghai (4 May) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by type VI S1 obliterator in black, alongside with Shanghae BPO Webb type Ei cds. Showing “per English Mail” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (8 May). Some researchers believe that type VI exists while some believe it is a worn type II. Anyway, still an unusual postmark.
1883. 5. 4 上海寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷VI型黑色S1殺手戳，旁鈐上海英局Webb Ei型日戳。寫有“pr English Mail”批示。5. 8經香港。部分人相信IV型S1曾存在，另外部分人則認為VI型實為損耗後的II型。但無論如何，仍為難得的一例。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2324
1881 Dutch Legation Peking (26 Dec) to Shanghai, returned to Peking. Hong Kong QV surch 1c/4c PSC (Yang P8) first carried by to Shanghai privately. Then applied with Customs Shanghai cds (12 Jan) for return to Peking while indicia tied by Shanghae BPO Webb type Bi cds. It is the earliest recorded example of type Bi cds on postal card. Dr. Andrew Cheung was awarded with Wilde Cup with this discovery in 2007.
1881. 12. 26 荷蘭駐北京公使寄上海，寄回北京。香港維多利亞女皇像改值1仙蓋4仙郵資片（楊目P8），先私遞至上海。再鈐上海海關1. 12日戳寄回北京，郵資圖銷上海英局Webb Bi型同日日戳。此為Bi型日戳在明信片上之最早記錄。張文德醫生憑此發現於2007年榮獲Wilde Cups。

Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2325
1883 Shanghai (11 Apr) to England. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC, tied by Shanghae BPO Webb type Ci cds. Transit Hong Kong (15 Apr). Arrived London (22 May). It is the earliest recorded date of type Ci cds on postal card.
1883. 4. 11 上海寄英國。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷上海英局Webb Ci型日戳。4. 15經香港。5. 22抵倫敦。此為Ci型日戳蓋於明信片上的最早記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

SHANGHAI

The S1 Obliterator - Type IV



20 March 1874 letter to Hong Kong sent by French Packet *SS Meikong* at the 7d or 14¢ per ¼ oz. rate recorded from 1871. Letters sent by French Packet to Hong Kong are rare probably because of the higher cost compared to letters sent by British or private ships.
S1 type IV in blue with Shanghae type Bi datestamp on reverse. Type IV obliterator is recorded in blue and black from 1872 to 1880.

One of the six recorded covers carried by French Packet to Hong Kong

2321

SHANGHAI

The S1 Obliterators - Type V & VI



Type V
1870 to 1880

2322

5 June 1877 letter to Hong Kong at 8¢ per ½ oz. inter-treaty port rate. Shanghae type Bii adjacent. Sent by private steamer *China* from Shanghai. 11 June arrival. The loops of the “S” of type V is symmetrical.

This is the least common of the S1 types on cover



Type VI
1882 to 1883



Some researchers believe that a sixth type exists, it has been recorded on covers from 1882 onwards. Others believe that it is probably a worn S1 type II. This is a 4 May 1883 letter to London franked 10¢ U.P.U. rate showing the smaller S1 known as “Type VI”. The accompanied Shanghae c.d.s. is Webb type Ei.

2323

SHANGHAI

19½ mm SHANGHAE datestamps cancelling postal cards – Earliest Recorded

From the beginning of 1882, Webb type Bi was used solely as a cancel for postal cards and from 1883 another datestamp Webb type Ci with index letter A was also used for the same purpose.



2324

1¢ on 4¢ postcard datelined 26 December 1881 from the Netherlands Legation, Peking was carried privately to Shanghai and returned via the Shanghai Customs Post Office. Webb type Bi JA 12 1882



3¢ postcard to London was sent by *P&O Ancona* from Shanghai 12 April via Hong Kong 15 April to Colombo, *P&O Ravenna* to Suez, *P&O Mongolia* to Brindisi 20 May. Webb type Ci 11 April 1883

2325

2326

1882 Shanghai (1 Sep) to Denmark. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC, tied by Shanghae BPO Webb type Ei (index A) cds. This type of cds was used to cancel stationery. It was also used along with S1 obliterator on covers. 1882. 9. 1 上海寄丹麥。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷上海英局Webb Ei型（A字）日戳。此戳用於蓋銷郵資用品，於信封上則與S1殺手戳配合使用。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2327

1883 Shanghai (17 Jan) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by S1 obliterator, alongside with Shanghae BPO Webb type Ei (index A) cds. Showing “via Brindisi” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (26 Jan). Arrived Tavistock (28 Feb) and redirected to Plymouth. It is the earliest usage of type Ei cds as a datestamp along with S1 obliterator. 1883. 1. 17 上海寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷S1殺手戳，旁鈐上海英局Webb Ei型（A字）日戳。寫有“via Brindisi”批示。1. 26經香港。2. 28抵Tavistock，改寄Plymouth。此為Ei型日戳與S1殺手戳配合使用之最早例子。

Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2328

A group of 9 Hong Kong QV singles and strips, used by Shanghai BPO Webb type Fi, Fii and Fiii cds. Type Fiii cds is particularly scarce as it is one of the 4 recorded examples. 一組9枚香港維多利亞女皇像單枚及連票舊票，分別銷上海英局Webb Fi、Fii及Fiii型日戳。當中Fiii型日戳尤其少見，為存世四例之一。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2329

1886 Shanghai (6 Aug) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 5c in pair, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type Fi cds. Showing “English Mail” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (10 Aug). Arrived London (18 Sep). 1886. 8. 6 上海寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙雙連，銷上海英局Webb Fi型日戳。寫有“English Mail”批示。8. 10經香港。9. 18抵倫敦。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

SHANGHAI

21 mm SHANGHAE datestamp with index A

From the beginning of 1882, Webb type E with index letter A was used as a cancellator for postal stationery and later as a datestamp with the S1 obliterator. From 1885 onwards, it was used alone to cancel adhesives. The index letter was changed to C from Jan. 1886.



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1 Sept. 1882 postcard to Denmark showing type E with index A.



17 Jan. 1883 letter to England with adhesive cancelled S1 showing type E used as a dater. Earliest recorded usage as a datestamp for S1

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The SHANGHAI datestamps

From 1886, the spelling of the datestamps was changed to SHANGHAI although SHANGHAE datestamps continued to be used. Three datestamps Webb type Fi, Fii & Fiii measuring 19 mm, 19½ mm & 20½ mm respectively are recorded used from Jan. 1886 to Dec. 1899.



Webb type Fi wide 2nd 'H'



Webb type Fiii – One of the four recorded



Webb type Fii narrow 2nd 'H'
2328



6 Aug. 1886 letter to London showing the 19 mm Shanghai Webb type Fi cancel.
Sent by P&O Peshawur from Shanghai to Colombo, P&O Khedive to Suez and P&O Tanjore from Alexandria to Brindisi. London arrival 18 Sept.

2329

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19½ mm SHANGHAI
datestamp

Webb type Fii with narrow
2nd 'H' of SHANGHAI

1897 triple rate registered
“Cash” cover from Shanghai
Customs to London.
Sent by French Packet SS Yarra
London arrival 26 Jun. 1897.



‘Customs Shanghai’ d/r c.d.s.
and the red ‘R’ applied by the
Chinese Customs Post Office
Wax seal on reverse.
and the British Post Office applied
the circular R and affixed the stamps.



2330

2330

1897 Customs Shanghai (19 May) to England. Registered Cash Cover, applied with Customs Shanghai origin cds, matching with “CUSTOMS HOUSE / SHANGHAI” bilingual wax seal on reverse. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c in strip of 4, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type Fii cds., alongside with R marks. Transit Hong Kong (23 May). Arrived London (25 Jun). It is uncertain that whether this Customs House Shanghai wax seal is the same type with the postmark. Still, a very scarce usage. In Nov 2023, an incoming cover applied with Customs House Shanghai oval h.s. was hammered at HKD150,000 (lot no.1).
1897. 5. 19 上海海關寄英國。掛號現金封，鈐上海海關始發日戳。背面以橢圓形“上海關”火漆封口。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙橫四連，銷上海英局Webb Fii型日戳，旁鈐R章。5. 23經香港。6. 25抵倫敦。未知此“上海關”火漆與“上海關”郵戳是否為同一把戳，但無論如何仍極為珍罕。2023年11月艾華秋拍中，一件鈐“上海關”郵戳之進口封以15萬港幣落鎚（拍品號1）。

Estimates HK\$ 7,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2331

Hong Kong QV 2c in pair and 4c in block of 4, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type Gii cds.
香港維多利亞女皇像2仙雙連及4仙四方連舊票，均銷上海英局Webb Gii型日戳。

Estimates HK\$ 300 - HK\$ 400

2332

1899 Chinkiang (14 Dec) to Germany, f.w. Coiling Dragon 2c in pair, tied by Chinkiang bisected bilingual cds. Showing “Per first steamer Newspapers” annotation. Transit Shanghai Chinese PO. In combination with Hong Kong QV 2c in pair, tied by Chinkiang IPO tie-print and Shanghai BPO Webb type Gii cds. On reverse with “A. Schreiber / Chinkiang” oval company seal. Cover back partly damaged but does not affect postmark.
1899. 12. 14 鎮江寄德國，貼蟠龍2分雙連，銷鎮江半切漢英日戳。寫有“Per first steamer Newspapers”批示。經上海清郵。加貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙雙連，銷鎮江IPO騎縫戳及上海英局Webb Gii型日戳。背面蓋有A Schreiber公司戳。封背有損但不影響郵票及郵戳。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

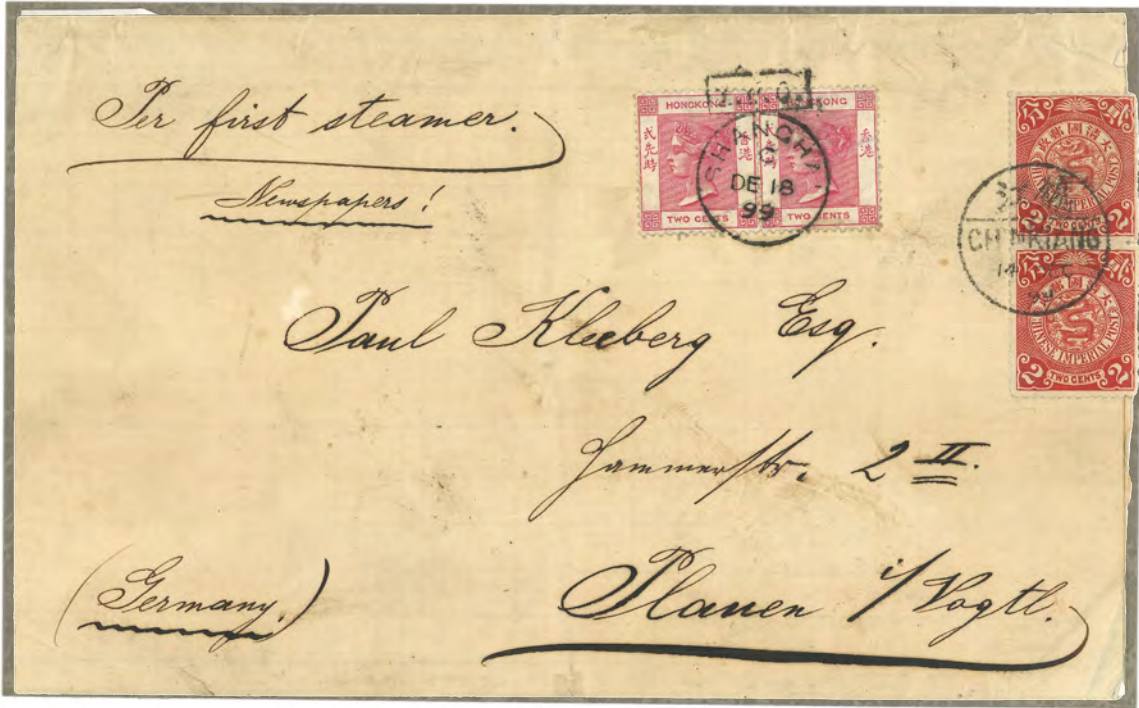
SHANGHAI

22 mm SHANGHAI datestamp

This was sent from London on 13 Feb. 1895. Webb type Gii is characterized by a squat S of SHANGHAI and 2.5 mm tall letters. Recorded from Apr. 1899 to Jun. 1904.



2331



14 Dec. 1899 combination cover from Chinkiang to Germany. 4¢ printed matter rate. Sent by British ship P&O Coromandel to Colombo, P&O Victoria to Suez and P&O Isis to Brindisi arriving on 18 Jan. 1900. Boxed I.P.O. tieprint of Chinkiang recorded from June 1899 to Jan. 1900. Overseas mail from Chinkiang went by river boat to Shanghai. Shanghai Webb type Gii dated 18 Dec. 1899.

2332

2333

1902 (11 Mar) Shanghai local. Hong Kong QV 1c PSC, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type Hi cds.
1902. 3. 11 上海本埠。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷上海英局Webb Hi型日戳。

Estimates HK\$ 700 - HK\$ 2,000

2334

1901 Shanghai (1 May) to Scotland. Picture postcard, applied with Shanghai Chinese PO origin cds. F.w. Hong Kong QV 2c, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type Hii cds. Arrived Edingburgh (6 Jun).
1901. 5. 1 上海寄蘇格蘭。圖片明信片，鈐上海清郵始發日戳。貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙，銷上海英局Webb Hii型日戳。6. 6抵愛丁堡。

Estimates HK\$ 700 - HK\$ 2,000

2335

1899 (14 Nov) Shanghai local. Hong Kong QV 1c PSC, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type I cds.
1899. 11. 14 上海本埠。香港維多利亞女皇像1仙郵資片，銷上海英局Webb I型日戳。

Estimates HK\$ 700 - HK\$ 2,000

2336

1901 Hankow (26 Apr) to Switzerland via Shanghai. Newspaper piece, f.w. Coiling Dragon 1c in pair, tied by Hankow bisected bilingual cds. Transit Shanghai Chinese PO. In combination with Hong Kong QV 2c, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type I cds (26 Apr).
1901. 4. 26 漢口經上海寄瑞士。報紙剪片，貼蟠龍1分雙連，銷漢口半切漢英日戳。經上海清郵。加貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙，銷4. 26上海英局Webb I型日戳。

Estimates HK\$ 700 - HK\$ 2,000

2337

1906 and 1908 a pair of outgoing cover and postcard from Shanghai BPO, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type J and type K cds respectively. The type K was in rusty red which is rather unusual.
1906及1908年一對上海英局寄國外之封片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，分別銷上海英局Webb J型及K型日戳。當中K型日戳為鏽紅色，較為難得。

Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

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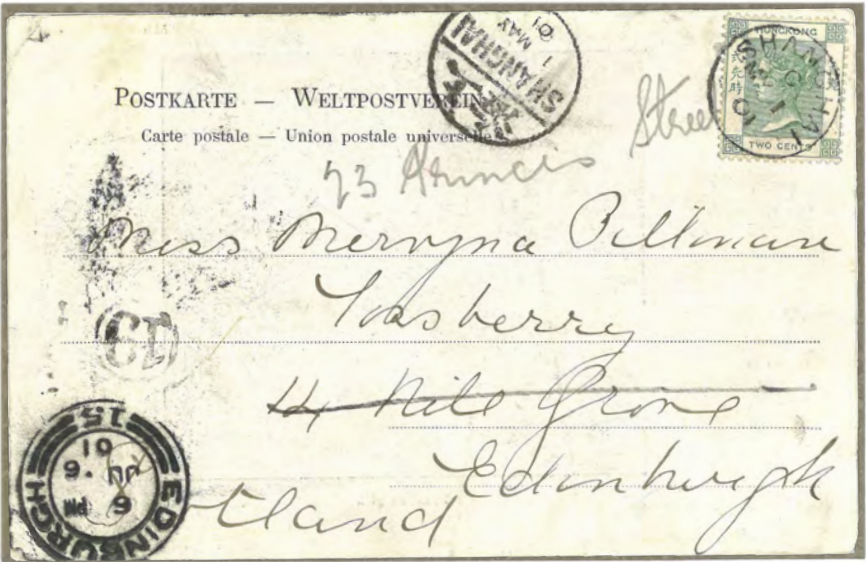
Medium Size SHANGHAI datestamps

Three more datestamps with 3 mm tall letters were sent from London on 23 October 1899.



2333

21½ mm datestamp. Webb type Hi known from Jan. 1900 to July 1906.



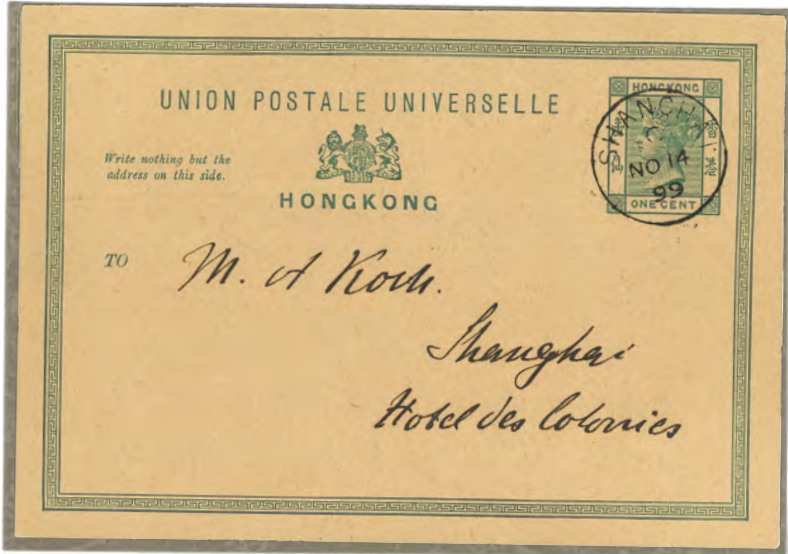
2334

22 mm datestamp. Webb type Hii known from Feb. 1900 to Oct. 1904.

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22 mm SHANCHAI datestamp

Another datestamp with a damaged 'G' is recorded from Aug. 1899 to Jun. 1906



2335

14 Nov. 1899 1¢ local rate postcard showing Webb type I



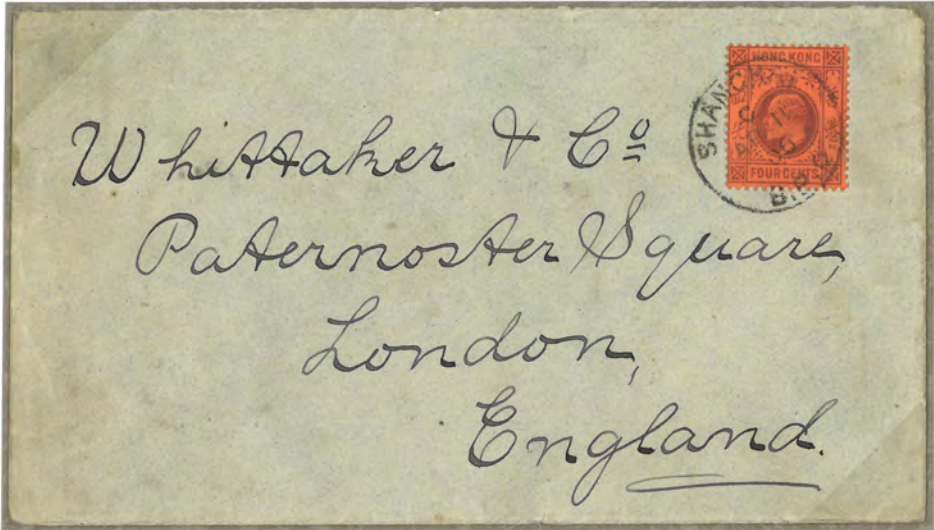
26 Apr. 1901 combination franking newspaper from Hankow to Switzerland via Shanghai. 2¢ newspaper rate. Overseas mail from Hankow went via river boat to Shanghai. Hankow abandoned its I.P.O. tieprint from Dec. 1900.

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SHANGHAI B.P.O. datestamps

At the end of 1904, SHANGHAI B.P.O. datestamps were introduced. Recorded with index letters A to F representing different time of posting. Webb type J is recorded from Sept. 1904 to 1921.



11 Apr. 1906 letter to London carried by French Packet SS Armand Béhic. London arrival 16 May. Due to closure of the Trans-Siberian Railway, mails were sent via Suez to England. 35 days in transit.



9 May 1908 postcard to Scotland showing Webb type K datestamp in rusty-red colour. Postcard sent by French Packet SS Australien. London arrival 9 June. On 11 Jan. 1907, four more Br. P.O. datestamps were sent. Recorded from May 1907 to 30 Nov. 1922.

2337

2338
A collection of Shanghai BPO Webb type R4 oval registered d.s., including 3 Hong Kong KEVII mutiples, piece and a 1906 (17 Aug) cover to England.
一頁以上海英局Webb R4型掛號橢圓日戳為題之展頁，包含三件香港愛德華七世連票及剪片，以及一件1906. 8. 17寄英國封。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2339
1919 Shanghai (Jan) to England. Reigstered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c in pair, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type R4 oval registered d.s., alongside with type R5 SHANGHAI BPO registered mark. Arrived London (10 Mar). On reverse with Jardine Matheson was seal.
1919. 1 上海寄英國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙雙連，銷上海英局Webb R4型橢圓掛號日戳，旁鈐R5型長方形掛號章。3. 10抵倫敦。背面以渣甸洋行火漆封口。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2340
1922 (30 Nov) Shanghai BPO last day cover, registered to Switzerland, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt CHI-NA 2c + 4c x2 + 6c + 8c, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type R4 oval registered d.s., alongside with boxed “Shanghai B.P.O.” rubber registered mark. Transit London (6 Jan). Arrived Zurich (8 Jan).
1922. 11. 30 上海英國客郵局尾日封，掛號寄瑞士，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 2仙 + 4仙x2 + 6仙 + 8仙，銷上海英局Webb R4型橢圓掛號日戳，旁鈐 “Shanghai B. P. O.” 長方形掛號膠戳。1. 6經倫敦。1. 8抵蘇黎世。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2341
1921 Shanghai (17 Jan) to England. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 8c + 10c in strip of 3, in total of 38c quadruple rate, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type R4 oval registered d.s., alongside with “Shanghai B.P.O.” rubber registered mark in blue. Dr. Andrew Cheung was awarded with Wilde Cup in 1985 for his discovery of this 3rd type rubber registered mark on this cover.
1921. 1. 17 上海寄英國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 8仙 + 10仙橫三連，合38仙四倍郵資，銷上海英局Webb R4型橢圓掛號日戳，旁鈐 “Shanghai B. P. O.” 長方形紫色掛號膠戳。張文德醫生於1985年憑發現此封上的第三款掛號膠戳而榮獲Wilde Cup。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 2,000

SHANGHAI

Oval SHANGHAI Registration datestamp

This oval datestamp was introduced in 1904 for stamping registration mail. Initially, the registration numbers were written on the front of the letters; a boxed registration cachet was introduced later for such purpose.



1905 to 1907 usages



17 Aug. 1906 registered letter to London showing this oval registration handstamp. Sent by *P&O Delhi* on 21 Aug. to Colombo, *P&O Victoria* to Port Said and *P&O Osiris* to Brindisi. London arrival 23 Sept. Between 1904 to 1907, no separate handstamp was used for registration and the violet ‘REGISTERED’ is believed to be a private marking struck by the Shanghai Gas Co.

SHANGHAI

Boxed Registration Handstamps



The first type is the standard issue boxed steel handstamp known from 24 Jan. 1908 to 8 Feb. 1920.



Shanghai Post Office Last day cover showing the second type rubber handstamp. This is recorded from 7 Apr. 1922 to 30 Nov. 1922.

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Boxed Registration Handstamp

A third type, also made of rubber is recorded from 14 Aug. 1920 to 3 Nov. 1921.



17 Jan. 1921 quadruple-rate (10¢ + 6¢ + 6¢ + 6¢) letter to England showing this handstamp already in a worn state.

2341

2342
1906 Shanghai (8 Jan) to England. Taxed cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Shanghau BPO cds., alongside with circled T mark as the weight was over 1/2oz but not paying double rate. 2d of postage due was levied upon arrival.
1906. 1. 8 上海寄英國。欠資封，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷上海英局日戳，因超出半盎司重量但無貼付雙倍郵資而蓋有帶圈T章。抵倫敦後判罰2便士。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2343
1914 Shanghai (21 Feb) to Austria. Taxed cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 1c in block of 4, tied by Shanghai BPO cds., alongside with circled T mark as the correct rate should be 10c. In combination with 20 heller postage due upon arrival.
1914. 2. 21 上海寄奧國。欠資封，貼香港愛德華七世1仙四方連，銷上海英局日戳。正確郵資應為10仙故蓋有帶圈T章。抵達後加蓋20 Heller欠資票。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2344
1908 (23 Jun) Parcel piece from Shanghai to England, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 30c in pair on Hong Kong Post declaration form, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type R4 oval registered d.s., alongside with Customs Shanghai seal and “FREE” bilingual h.s. Arrived London (2 Aug) and 3d of handling charge was collected.
1908. 6. 23 上海寄英國包裹剪片，在香港郵政申報表上貼愛德華七世30仙雙連，銷上海英局Webb R4型橢圓掛號日戳，旁鈐上海海關戳記及“免稅”戳。8. 2抵倫敦，加收3便士手續費。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2345
1921 (29 Dec) Parcel piece by Thomas Harborne, Postmaster of Shanghai BPO, to England, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA x5, in total of \$2.25, tied by Shanghai BPO Webb type J and K cds.. In combination with Britain postage due x12, in total of 5s6d handling fee. Combination usage of type J and K cds as well as the latest recorded usage of type J.
1921. . 12. 29 由上海英國客郵局局長Thomas Harborne寄英國之包裹剪片，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 5枚，合2. 25元，銷上海英局Webb J及K型日戳。抵倫敦後加貼欠資票12枚，合5先令6便士手續費。同時蓋有J型及K型日戳之難得例子，更為J型日戳之最晚記錄。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

SHANGHAI

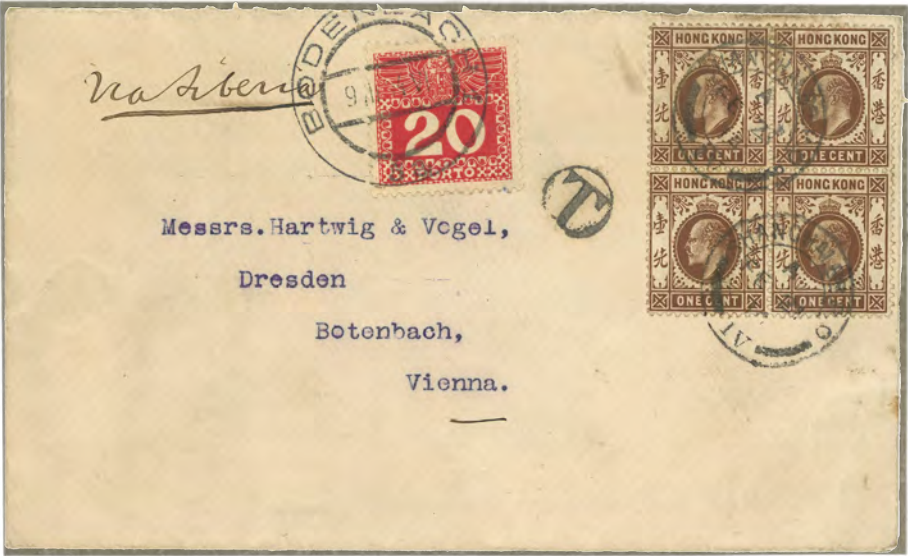
Circular T marking

Another 11.5 mm circular T handstamp is recorded from 1906 to 1919.



2342

8 Jan. 1906 underpaid letter franked 4¢ being the letter rate under ½ oz. This letter was over ½ oz. and double rate applied. $\frac{2}{10}$ indicates a partly paid double rate letter. 2d postage due levied by the London Foreign Branch office.



21 Feb. 1914 underpaid letter to Vienna franked 4¢ and the correct rate was 10¢ for a ½ oz. letter. 1/20 (under the postage due) indicates a partly paid single rate letter. 20 hellers postage due on arrival.

2343

SHANGHAI

Parcel Post

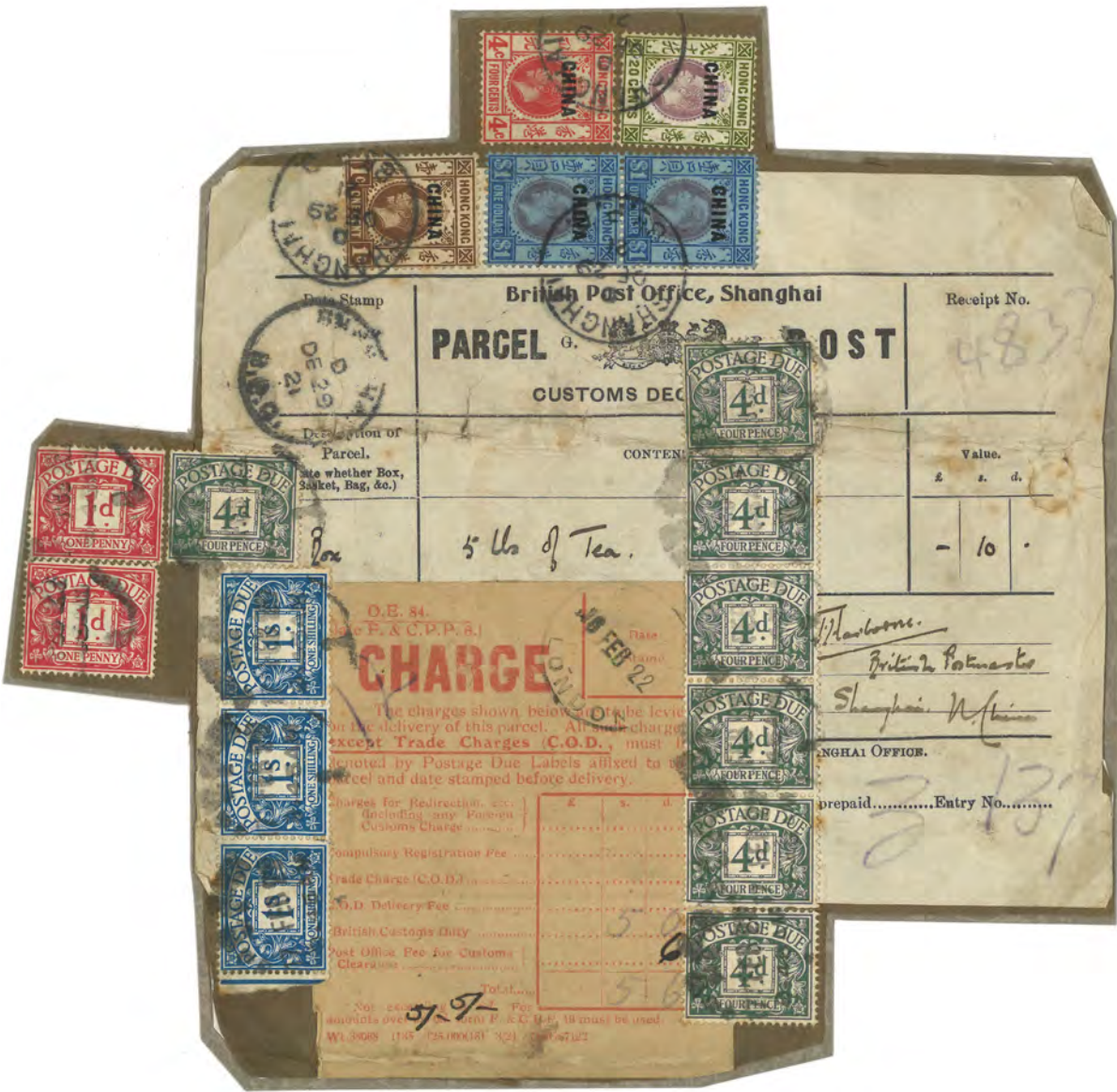
23 June 1908 parcel to England franked 50¢ for a parcel up to 2lbs plus 10¢ registration fee. Sent by *P&O Arcadia* to Colombo and *P&O Mooltan* to London arriving on 2 Aug. 3d British handling charge to collect. Assessed by Shanghai Custom as duty free. Shanghai oval registered handstamp used as a cancellation.



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SHANGHAI

Parcel Post



29 Dec. 1921 part parcel wrapper to England sent by Thomas Harborne who was the British Postmaster of Shanghai. Rated \$2.25 for 5lb. On arrival British Custom Duty at 5s and 6d handling fee. Combination usage of British P.O. type J and K datestamps. Latest recorded usage of type J datestamp

2345

NINGPO

寧波

2346
Hong Kong QV surch 16c/18c used stamp, tied by scarce N1 obliterator in blue and S1 obliterator in black. Mails from Ningpo passed through Shanghai, additional S1 obliterator is seen. From 1880 onward, N1 obliterator was used alone.
香港維多利亞女皇像改值16仙蓋18仙舊票，銷珍罕之N1藍色殺手戳及S1黑色殺手戳。由於寧波寄出之早期郵件需經上海中轉，故另見S1殺手戳。直至1880年起，才僅使用N1殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2347
Hong Kong QV 12c in vertical pair, tied by scarce N1 and S1 obliterator in black. Mails from Ningpo passed through Shanghai, additional S1 obliterator is seen. From 1880 onward, N1 obliterator was used alone.
香港維多利亞女皇像12仙直雙連，銷珍罕之N1及S1黑色殺手戳。由於寧波寄出之早期郵件需經上海中轉，故另見S1殺手戳。直至1880年起，才僅使用N1殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 2,400 - HK\$ 5,000



NINGPO

The N1 Obliterator

The N1 killer was sent out from England in 1866 and was probably used before 1870. Found in blue and black together with the straight line Ningpo datestamp. Since mails from Ningpo passed through Shanghai, the adhesives were overstamped by the S1. From about 1880 onwards, the N1 was used alone. Recorded from Aug. 1870 to Oct. 1882.



2346

Blue N1 + Black S1



2347

Black N1 + Black S1



2348

Black N1 + Black S1



2349

Blue N1



2350

Blue N1



2351

Black N1



20 March 1878 letter from Ningpo to England franked 12c U.P.U. rate for a ½ oz. letter. Sent by river boat to Shanghai arriving on 21 March and then by P&O Khiva to Hong Kong 25 March. Carried by French Packet *SS Anadyr* from Hong Kong to Naples. Wellington arrival 8 May. N1 in black overstamped by S1 at Shanghai in black.

2352

2348

Hong Kong QV 8c used stamp, tied by scarce N1 and S1 obliterator in black. Mails from Ningpo passed through Shanghai, additional S1 obliterator is seen. From 1880 onward, N1 obliterator was used alone. 香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷珍罕之N1及S1黑色殺手戳。由於寧波寄出之早期郵件需經上海中轉，故另見S1殺手戳。直至1880年起，才僅使用N1殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2349

Hong Kong QV 4c used stamp, tied by scarce N1 obliterator in blue. 香港維多利亞女皇像4仙舊票，銷珍罕之N1藍色殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2350

Hong Kong QV 24c used stamp, tied by scarce N1 obliterator in blue. 香港維多利亞女皇像24仙舊票，銷珍罕之N1藍色殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2351

Hong Kong QV surch 5c/8c used stamp, tied by scarce N1 obliterator in black. 香港維多利亞女皇像改值5仙蓋8仙舊票，銷珍罕之N1黑色殺手戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2352

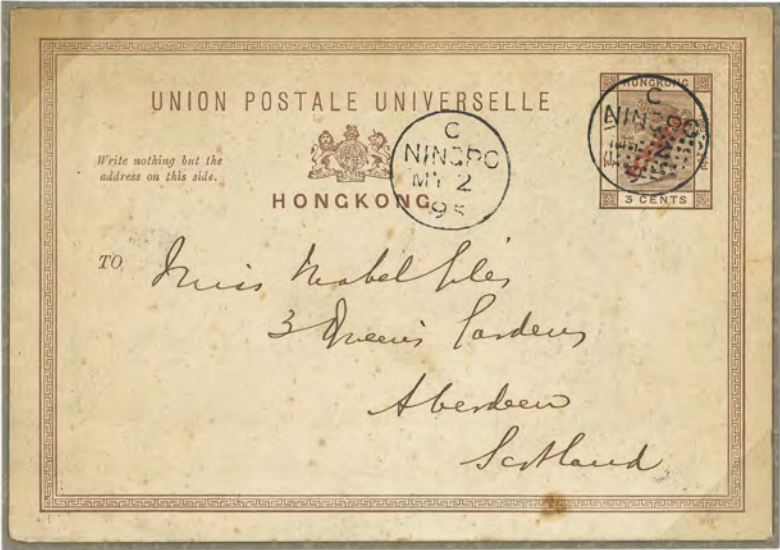
1878 Ningpo (20 Mar) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 12c for UPU rate, tied by scarce N1 obliterator, matching with Ningpo BPO Webb type B index C cds. Transit Shanghai BPO (21 Mar) and applied S1 obliterator on adhesive. Further transit Hong Kong (25 Mar). Arrived Wellington (8 May). Top right corner with minor wear but does not affect postmark and stamp. N1 obliterator are very scarce on commerical mails as Webb only recorded 7 covers and 3 postcards. Ex- Richard Chan. 1878. 3. 20 寧波寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像12仙，合萬國郵盟郵資，銷少見之N1殺手戳，另鈐寧波英局Webb B型C字日戳。3. 21經上海英局，貼票再鈐S1殺手戳。3. 25經香港。5. 8抵Wellington。右上角輕微有損但不影響郵戳及貼票。N1殺手戳之實寄封片十分少見，Webb記錄僅有十件。陳卓堅舊藏。

Estimates HK\$ 40,000 - HK\$ 100,000

NINGPO

NINGPO "Rhomboid dots" cancel

Between 1895 and 1896, a forwarding agent F.F. Ferris operated as a postal agent used a handstamp “Rhomboid dots” as a tie print on stamps affixed to letters before forwarding to the Ningpo post office. **Less than ten covers and postcards are recorded with this tieprint**



2353

2 May 1895 overprinted postal card to Scotland carried by French mailboat via Hong Kong. 3¢ cards were uprated to 4¢ in January 1895 due to increase of foreign postcard rate. **Earliest date recorded on postcard**



2354

7 May 1896 letter to England sent by German mailboat from Shanghai 8 May to Hong Kong. Tunbridge Wells arrival 14 June. 10¢ U.P.U. rate for a ½ oz. letter. **Latest date recorded on cover**

2353
1895 Ningpo (2 May) to Scotland. Hong Kong QV surch 4c/3c PSC, tied by extremely scarce Ningpo Webb type C Rhomboid of Dots and type B Ningpo BPO cds. Transit Shanghai BPO (3 May), Hong Kong (7 May). Between 1895-1896, a forwarding agent F F Ferris operated as postal agent and used this “Rhomboid dots” as tie-print. Less than 10 covers and postcards were recorded with this tie-print. In 2024 (Mar), AVA offered a similar stationery card with the same address, postmark and date which was hammered at HKD\$85,000 (lot 2314). Both are the earliest recorded date for this Rhomboid of Dots on postcard.
1895. 5. 2 寧波寄蘇格蘭。香港維多利亞女皇像改值4仙蓋3仙郵資片，鈐極罕之寧波Webb C型點戳及B型福州英局日戳。5. 3經上海英局，5. 7經香港。在1895至1896年間，F F Ferris當地營運一家郵政代理，並使用此點戳。鈐此戳者存世不足十件封片。2024年3月，艾華曾出售一件日期、地址及郵戳均相同之郵資片，並以港幣8萬5千元落鎚。兩件均為C型點戳之最早明信片記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 50,000 - HK\$ 80,000

2354
1896 Ningpo (7 May) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 5c in pair, tied by extremely scarce Ningpo Webb type C Rhomboid of Dots and type B Ningpo BPO cds. Transit Shanghai (8 May), Hong Kong (12 May). Arrived Tunbridge (14 Jun). Between 1895-1896, a forwarding agent F F Ferris operated as postal agent and used this “Rhomboid dots” as tie-print. Less than 10 covers and postcards were recorded with this tie-print and it is the latest dated one on cover.
1896. 5. 7 寧波寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙雙連，銷極罕之寧波Webb C型點戳及B型福州英局日戳。5. 8經上海英局，5. 12經香港。6. 14抵Tunbridge。在1895至1896年間，F F Ferris當地營運一家郵政代理，並使用此點戳。鈐此戳者存世不足十件封片。此為蓋於信封上之日期最晚者。

Estimates HK\$ 50,000 - HK\$ 80,000

NINGPO

22 mm NINGPO datestamps

Two similar 22 mm datestamps were sent from London on 23 OCT 1899. Webb type Ei with 6½ mm index C from the top is recorded from Dec. 1899 to Dec. 1904. Webb type Eii with 5½ mm index C is recorded from Feb. 1905 to Dec. 1907.



Webb type Ei



Webb type Eii



2355



6 Feb. 1904 postcard sent ‘Via Siberia’ to Wales showing type Ei used as a cancel. The Trans-Siberian railway route was opened in November 1903. Mail was sent from Shanghai by steamer to Port Arthur, South Manchurian Railway to Harbin and Trans-Siberian Railway to Moscow. Transit time was around 21 days. The outbreak of the Russo-Japanese War in February 1904 interrupted the rail service until February 1907.

2356

2355
A group of 6 Hong Kong KEVII singles and piece applied with Ningpo BPO Webb type Ei and type Eii cds.
一組六枚香港愛德華七世單枚舊票及剪片，均銷寧波英局Webb Ei及Eii型日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 2,000

2356
1904 Ningpo (6 Feb) to Wales. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Ningpo BPO Webb type Ei cds. Showing “via Siberia” annotation. Transit Shanghai BPO (8 Feb) for transit to Port Arthur, hence the Trans-Siberian Railway. Given the outbreak of Russo-Japanese War in Feb 1904, late example before the interruption of Siberian route.
1904. 2. 6 寧波寄威爾士。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷寧波英局Webb Ei型日戳。寫有“via Siberia”批示。2. 8 經上海英局以轉往大連至西伯利亞。由於日俄戰爭於1904年2月爆發，此為西伯利亞郵路受阻前的晚期例子。
Estimates HK\$ 2,400 - HK\$ 4,000

2357
Hong Kong KEVII 4c single and 1c in block of 18, tied by Ningpo BPO Webb type F index C and index D cds respectively. Latter is the largest multiple recorded with type F cds.
香港愛德華七世4仙單枚及1仙十八方連舊票，分別銷寧波英局Webb F型C字及D字日戳。後者為蓋有F型日戳之最大方連。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2358
1913 Ningpo (Mar) to England. Taxed letter packet front, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Ningpo BPO Webb type F index E cds., alongside with “CLOSED AGAINST INSPECTION” circular seal and T mark. 6d postage due was levied upon arrival at London. Less than 3 examples with this “CLOSED AGAINST INSPECTION” mark were recorded.
1913. 3 寧波寄英國。欠資包裹剪片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷寧波英局Webb F型E字日戳，旁鈐“CLOSED AGAINST INSPECTION”圓戳及T章。到埗倫敦後罰欠資6便士。蓋有此“CLOSED AGAINST INPECTION”圓戳之存世例子不足三件。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2359
1919 Ningpo (12 Jun) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c in pair, tied by Ningpo BPO Webb type F cds., alongside with “NINGPO BPO” rectangular registered mark. Transit Shanghai BPO (14 Jun). Arrived Chicago (5 Jul). Top left corner of the cover repaired but not affecting postmark or stamps. Webb did not record this registered mark while Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded usage from 31 Dec 1917 to 15 Nov 1922.
1919. 6. 12 寧波寄美國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙雙連，銷寧波英局Webb F型日戳，旁鈐“NINGPO GPO”掛號橫戳。6. 14經上海英局。7. 5抵芝加哥。封左上角曾被修補，但不影響郵票郵戳。Webb並未記錄此掛號戳，張文德醫生則記錄使用日期由1917年12月31日至1922年11月15日。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2360
1908 Ningpo (20 Oct) to England. Ningpo Customs pier PPC, frankless, applied with Ningpo BPO Webb type F index C cds., alongside with circled T mark and London Foreign Branch 2d postage due mark. It is the only recorded example of Ningpo BPO circled T mark. Scarce. 1908 Ningpo (20 Oct) to England. Ningpo Customs pier PPC, frankless, applied with Ningpo BPO Webb type F index C cds., alongside with circled T mark and London Foreign Branch 2d postage due mark. It is the only recorded example of Ningpo BPO circled T mark. Scarce.
1908. 10. 20 寧波寄英國。寧波碼頭海關圖片明信片，無貼票，鈐寧波英局F型日戳，旁鈐帶圈T章及倫敦郵局2便士欠資指示戳。此為寧波英局欠資T章之孤例，難得。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

NINGPO

25 mm NINGPO datestamp

Webb type F was sent from London on 11 Jan. 1907
Index letters A to E are recorded
Recorded from:
23 Jan. 1908 to 30 Nov. 1922



Index C
Facing upwards



Index D - Largest multiple recorded



March 1913 underpaid front of letter-packet from Ningpo c.d.s index letter E. Circular T postage due marking and instructional marking ‘Closed against inspection’ applied at Shanghai. **Less than three recorded example**
The correct rate 2 oz. rate was 16¢; rated 60 centimes deficient and 6d charged by Inland Section London.

2358

NINGPO

Boxed Registration Handstamp



This handstamp is known from 31 Dec. 1917 to 15 Nov. 1922. The cover also shows the large 25mm NINGPO datestamp Webb type F dated 12 June 1919.



2359

NINGPO

Circular T postage due marking



20 Oct. 1908 unpaid postcard to England via Siberia showing type F datestamp and the 11½ mm circular T postage due marking of Ningpo. The correct rate for a postcard without written messages to a foreign destination was 2¢ at that time. Rated 20 centimes deficient. London Foreign Branch charged 2d postage due on arrival.

Only recorded example from Ningpo

2360

HANKOW 漢口



HANKOW

21 mm HANKOW datestamp



2361

Hankow Consular Postal Agency was opened in 1872 and outbound letters were backstamped with the datestamp before forwarding to the British Post Office in Shanghai by contract river steamer. Shanghai Post Office then sent the mail to Hong Kong. This cover sent by French mailboat *SS Hoogly* backstamped 7 Nov. 1874 is the earliest recorded example of Hankow Webb type B datestamp.

One of the two recorded covers



11 April 1885 letter to London sent by French Packet *SS Iraouaddy*, showing usage as a cancellator. Although all Treaty Port killers were withdrawn by order of the Hong Kong PMG in September 1885, it appears that Hankow started using Webb type B datestamp to cancel adhesives in May 1884. Webb type B datestamp is recorded used as a cancellator until Mar. 1891.

2362

2361
1874 Hankow (7 Nov) to England, applied with scarce Hankow BPO Webb type B cds on reverse. Forwarded to Shanghai BPO by river steamer and then transfered to Hong Kong. On front f.w. Hong Kong QV 30c, tied by B62 obliterator upon transit at Hong Kong (16 Nov). Arrived Oxford (24 Dec). It is the earliest dated example of Hankow type B cds. Ex- Dr. Sam Chiu.
1874. 11. 7 漢口寄英國，背面鈐漢口英局Webb B型始發日戳。經內河汽船送至上海英局再送至香港（11. 16）。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像30仙，銷B62殺手戳。12. 24抵牛津。此為漢口英局B型日戳之最早例子。趙資靈博士舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2362
1885 Hankow (11 Apr) to England. Mourning cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Shanghai BPO (14 Apr), Hong Kong (20 Apr). Arrived London (May). Since all the obliterators in treaty ports withdrawn by order of the Hong Kong Postmaster General in Sep 1885, type B cds was used to cancel adhesive between May 1884 and Mar 1891.
1885. 4. 11 漢口寄英國。報哀封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷漢口英局Webb B型日戳。4. 14經上海英局，4. 20經香港。5月抵倫敦。1885年9月，香港郵政下令撤銷所有商埠使用之殺手戳，故在1884年5月至1891年3月間，漢口使用B型日戳銷票。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

HANKOW

The D29 Obliterator

The D29 obliterator was sent from London on 9 June 1876. It is known in blue initially and black after 1877. Since the mails of Hankow passed through Shanghai, the stamps on early letters were usually overstrapped S1 at Shanghai. Earliest recorded usage of the D29 obliterator on cover is June 1878.



Examples of usage in blue with and without S1 overstruck

2363 2364 2365



2366



6 Sept. 1879 3¢ on 16¢ stationery card from Hankow carried by river boat to Shanghai arriving on 11 Sept.; too late for the French Packet *SS Sindh* which had departed on the 10th. Sent by another steamer to Hong Kong arriving on 16 Sept. The postcard was eventually sent by French Packet *SS Iraouaddy* leaving Hong Kong on 28 Sept. Naples arrival 3 Nov. and Sheffield arrival 6 Nov.

One of four such postcards recorded with D29/S1 combination

2363

Hong Kong QV 24c used stamp, tied by scarce D29 obliterator in blue. Examples of D29, especially in blue, on covers and postcards are very scarce which makes loose stamps a more accessible way for acquiring this cancellation. Webb stated that the use of blue ink ceased in about 1877.

香港維多利亞女皇像24仙舊票，銷珍罕之D29藍色殺手戳。D29殺手戳（尤其是藍色）之存世封片甚為少見，故舊票為更容易之入手途徑。Webb指藍色油墨於約1877年停用。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2364

Hong Kong QV 8c used stamp, tied by scarce D29 obliterator in blue. Examples of D29, especially in blue, on covers and postcards are very scarce which makes loose stamps a more accessible way for acquiring this cancellation. Webb stated that the use of blue ink ceased in about 1877.

香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷珍罕之D29藍色殺手戳。D29殺手戳（尤其是藍色）之存世封片甚為少見，故舊票為更容易之入手途徑。Webb指藍色油墨於約1877年停用。

Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2365

Hong Kong QV surhc 16c/18c used stamp, tied by scarce D29 obliterator in blue and S1 obliterator in black. Examples of D29, especially in blue, on covers and postcards are very scarce which makes loose stamps a more accessible way for acquiring this cancellation. Webb stated that the use of blue ink ceased in about 1877.

香港維多利亞女皇像改值16仙蓋18仙舊票，銷珍罕之D29藍色殺手戳及S1黑色殺手戳。D29殺手戳（尤其是藍色）之存世封片甚為少見，故舊票為更容易之入手途徑。Webb指藍色油墨於約1877年停用。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2366

1897 Hankow (6 Sep) to England. Hogn Kong postcard f.w. QV surch 3c/16c (Yang P1a; white card, red printing), tied by scarce D29 obliterator, alongside with Hankow BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Shanghai BPO with additional S1 obliterator on adhesive, matching with Shanghai BPO (11 Sep) transit cds. Transit Hong Kong (16 Sep) with TOO LATE cds. Arrived Sheffield (1 Sep). Examples of D29 on covers and postcards are very scarce. One of the 4 such postcards applied with D29 and S1 obliterator combination. In Mar 2024, AVA offered a similar card with D29 and S1 obliterator and was hammered at HKD\$52,000 (Lot 2309).

1897. 9. 6 漢口寄英國。香港明信片貼維多利亞女皇像改值3仙蓋16仙（楊目P1a：白卡紅字），銷珍罕之D29殺手戳，旁鈐漢口英局Webb B型日戳。9. 11經上海英局，貼票再銷S1黑色殺手戳。9. 16經香港，鈐TOO LATE日戳。9. 1抵Sheffield。D29殺手戳之存世封片甚為少見，此為四件同類型蓋有D29及S1殺手戳之明信片之一。2024年3月，艾華曾出售一件同時銷D29及S1殺手戳之相似郵資片，以港幣5萬2千元落槌（拍品號2309）。

Estimates HK\$ 40,000 - HK\$ 60,000

HANKOW

The D29 Obliterator

After 1880, Shanghai ceased overstamping adhesives on letters from Hankow already cancelled D29. Such usage is recorded from Oct 1880 to Dec. 1883.



2367



Examples of usage in black

2368



2369



ex. Houston, Cranford and Canman

5 Sept. 1881 letter from Hankow to London carried by river steamer to Shanghai 8 Sept. and from Shanghai by *P&O Brindisi* to Hong Kong 13 Sept. and Suez. *P&O Bangalore* from Alexandria to Brindisi 21 Oct., London arrival 24 Oct. 10¢ per ½ oz. U.P.U. letter rate effective from 1 March 1880.

One of the five recorded covers with D29 used alone

2370

2367
Hong Kong QV 3rd issue 16c used stamp (Yang 22), tied by scarce D29 obliterator in black. Examples of D29 on covers and postcards are very scarce which makes loose stamps a more accessible way for acquiring this cancellation.
香港維多利亞女皇像第三組16仙舊票，銷珍罕之D29黑色殺手戳。D29殺手戳之存世封片甚為少見，故舊票為更容易之入手途徑。
Estimates HK\$ 500 - HK\$ 1,000

2368
Hong Kong QV 5c in vertical strip of 3, tied by scarce D29 obliterator in black. Examples of D29 on covers and postcards are very scarce which makes loose stamps a more accessible way for acquiring this cancellation.
香港維多利亞女皇像5仙直三連舊票，銷珍罕之D29黑色殺手戳。D29殺手戳之存世封片甚為少見，故舊票為更容易之入手途徑。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2369
Hong Kong QV surch 10c/24c used stamp, tied by scarce D29 obliterator in black. Examples of D29 on covers and postcards are very scarce which makes loose stamps a more accessible way for acquiring this cancellation.
香港維多利亞女皇像改值10仙蓋24仙舊票，銷珍罕之D29黑色殺手戳。D29殺手戳之存世封片甚為少見，故舊票為更容易之入手途徑。
Estimates HK\$ 500 - HK\$ 1,000

2370
1881 Hankow (5 Sep) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by scarce D29 obliterator in black, alongside with Hankow BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Shanghai BPO (8 Sep) without S1 obliterator. Transit Hong Kong (13 Sep). Arrived London (24 Oct). Edges partly damaged but not affecting postmark or stamp. Webb stated that Shanghai did not re-stamp all Hankow mails after 1880. One of the 5 recorded covers with D29 used alone as cancellator. Ex- Houston, Cranford and Canman.
1881. 9. 5 漢口寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷少見之D29黑色殺手戳，旁鈐漢口英局Webb B型日戳。9. 8經上海英局，貼票未有再銷S1殺手戳。9. 13經香港。10. 24抵倫敦。邊緣有損但不影響郵票郵戳。Webb指在1880年後，上海英局未有為所有漢口郵件再次銷票。為記錄中五件僅以D29銷票的信封之一。Houston、Cranford及 Canman舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 36,000 - HK\$ 60,000

HANKOW

21 mm HANKOW datestamps

Three datestamps are recorded from 1885 to 1894, these are characterized by 2½ mm tall letters and “square” O. Indices A, C and * are known. Inking was usually poor due to improper mixing of ink.



Webb type Ci with index A recorded from Aug. 1885 to Sept. 1889



Webb type Ciii with index C recorded from June 1891 to June 1894



14 Mar. 1892 letter to London sent by German mailboat from Hong Kong showing Webb type Cii with * recorded from Jan. 1890 to Dec. 1892. 7¢ per ½ oz. Imperial rate effective from 1 Jan. 91 to 31 Mar. 94.

2371

HANKOW

“Hankow Local” & 21½ mm HANKOW datestamps

Three datestamps are recorded at the end of the 1880s and early 1890s:-
Webb type D, also known as the “Hankow Local” due to its rough appearance and a damaged W. Recorded from Jan. 1889 to Jan. 1890.
Webb type E & F measuring 21½ and 22 mm respectively are characterized by a narrow oval “O” and a flat “c” index letter. Recorded from Dec. 1892 to Dec. 1894.



Examples of the “Hankow Local”

2372



17 Mar. 1893 3¢ postal stationery card to Belgium showing the 21½ mm c.d.s. Webb type E

2373

HANKOW

21 mm & 21½ mm HANKOW datestamps

Two datestamps sent from London on 13 Feb. 1895 and they are known used with either index letter A or C. The datestamps are characterized by poor inking due to improper mixing of the ink.



30 April 1895 registered letter to U.S.A. sent by Canadian Pacific Steamship Co. via Vancouver. 21 mm Webb type Gii with index letter C is recorded from 8 Apr. 1895 to Jul. 1899.

2374



21 Aug. 1896 letter to France sent via Shanghai to Hong Kong and by French Packet SS Yarra. 21½ mm Webb type Hi with index letter A is recorded from 21 Aug. 1896 to Apr. 1902.

2375

2371

A collection of Hankow BPO Webb type C cds, including four Hong Kong QV single or multiples tied by type Ci (index A) or Ciii (index C) cds as well as a 1892 (14 Mar) cover to England, applied with type Cii (index star) cds. Webb stated that type Ci and Ciii are less common than type Cii.
一頁以漢口英局Webb C型日戳為題之展頁，包含四件香港維多利亞女皇像單枚及連票，分別銷漢口英局Webb Ci型（A字）及Ciii型（C字）日戳。另附一件1892. 3. 14寄英國封，鈐Cii型（星號）日戳。Webb指Ci型及Ciii型日戳比Cii型更少見。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2372

A group of 3 Hong Kong QV 10c singles and pair, all tied by Hankow BPO Webb type D “Hankow Local” cds, showcasing the damaged “W”. This type of cds was only used in 1889 and therefore rather uncommon.
一組三枚香港維多利亞女皇像10仙單枚及雙連舊票，銷漢口英局Webb D型 “本地製” 日戳，展示了破 “W” 字。此戳僅於1889年使用，故頗為少見難得。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2373

1893 Hankow (17 Mar) to Belgium. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type E cds. Arrived Lierre (1 May). Webb stated type E cds is not very common.
1893. 3. 17 漢口寄比利時。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷漢口英局Webb E型日戳。5. 1抵Lierre。Webb指此型日戳並不常見。

Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2374

1895 Hankow (30 Apr) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV rose-lake 2c x10 (Yang 32) on both sides, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Gii (index C) cds., alongside with circled R mark. Transit Shanghai BPO (3 May). Arrived St Paul (27 May).
1895. 4. 30 漢口寄美國。掛號封，正背共貼香港維多利亞女皇像玫紅2仙x10（楊目32），銷漢口英局Webb Gii型（C字）日戳，旁鈐帶圈R章。5. 3經上海英局。5. 27抵St Paul。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2375

1896 Hankow (21 Aug) to France, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Hi (index A) cds. Transit Shanghai BPO (24 Aug). Arrived Gironde (Oct). On reverse with Russo-Chinese Bank seal.
1896. 8. 21 漢口寄法國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷漢口英局Webb Hi型（A字）日戳。8. 24經上海英局。10月抵Gironde。背面蓋有華俄道勝銀行圓戳。

Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 2,000

HANKOW

21 mm & 21½ mm HANKOW datestamps

Two more datestamps were sent from London on 23 Oct. 1899. When time codes were introduced at around 1907, index letters A, B and C were used.



22 Feb. 1901 registered letter to Belgium sent by P&O Parramatta from Hong Kong to Colombo, P&O Arcadia to Port Said and P&O Isis to Brindisi. Bruxelles arrival 2 Apr. Cover shows 21½ mm Webb type Ji which is recorded from Dec. 1899 to Mar. 1907.

2376



8 June 1912 parcel tag for “Tea Sample” to England franked at 6¢ reduced rate for “books, printed paper, samples and patterns” Label shows 21 mm Webb type Ki which is recorded from Dec. 1910 to Feb. 1916.

2377

2376

1901 Hankow (22 Feb) to Belgium. Hong Kong QV 4c stationery cover (Yang EN4), uprated by 4c + 12c, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Ji (index A) cds, alongside with circled R mark. Transit Hong Kong. Arrived Brussels.
1901. 2. 22 漢口寄比利時。香港維多利亞女皇像4仙郵資封（楊目EN4），加貼4仙 + 12仙，銷漢口英局Webb Ji型（A字）日戳，旁鈐帶圈R章。經香港，抵布魯塞爾。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2377

1912 (8 Jun) Parcel tag for tea sample from Hankow to England, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 2c + 4c for 6c printed matter rate, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Ki (index A) cds.
1912. 6. 8 一件運送“茶葉樣本”之包裹牌，自漢口寄英國，貼香港愛德華七世2仙 + 4仙，合6仙印刷品郵資，銷漢口英局Webb Ki型（A字）日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2378

Hong Kong KEVII 2c used stamp, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Li (index A) cds. Index A and B are rare as Webb only recorded one of each while Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded it as one of the 5 examples of index A cds.
香港愛德華七世2仙舊票，銷漢口英局Webb Li型（A字）日戳。Webb指L型A字及B字日戳均十分少見，各僅見一例。張文德醫生則記錄此為A字日戳五例之一。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2379

1907 Hankow (25 Apr) to Scotland, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Liii (index C) cds. Transit Hong Kong (2 May). Arrived Edinburgh (1 Jun).
1907. 4. 25 漢口寄蘇格蘭，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷漢口英局Webb Liii型（C字）日戳。5. 2經香港。6. 1抵愛丁堡。
Estimates HK\$ 800 - HK\$ 2,000

2380

1914 Hankow (28 Sep) to Syria, returned to sender. WWI censor registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV 2c in block of 6 + 4c in pair on reverse, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Kiii (index C). On front with type R2 “HANKOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Censored and resealed. Showing “UNDELIVERABLE” and “RETURN” cachets. Rather interesting and unusual destination.
1914. 9. 28 漢口寄敘利亞。一戰檢查掛號封，背貼香港佐治五世2仙六方連 + 4仙雙連，銷漢口英局Webb Kiii型（C字）日戳。正鈐R2型“HANKOW B. P. O.”長方形掛號章。檢查並重封。鈐“UNDELIVERABLE”及“RETURN”指示戳。寄敘利亞較少見，有趣。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

HANKOW

25 mm HANKOW datestamp

On 11 Jan. 1907, London G.P.O. sent another large-size datestamp to Hankow. Three index letters A, B and C are known.



13 MR 07 Index A – One of the five recorded

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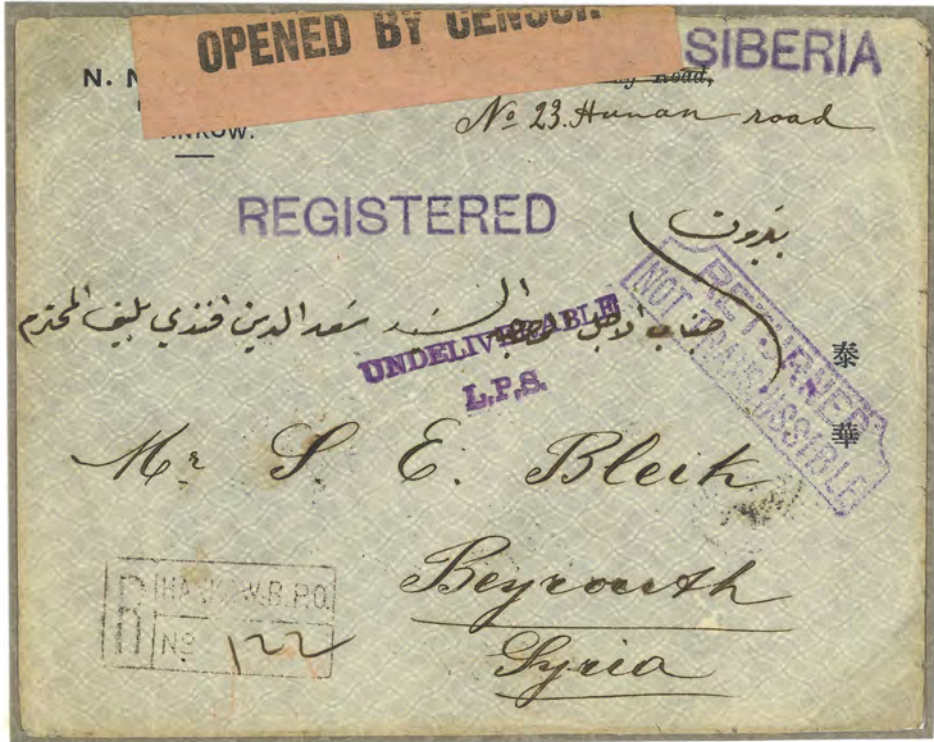
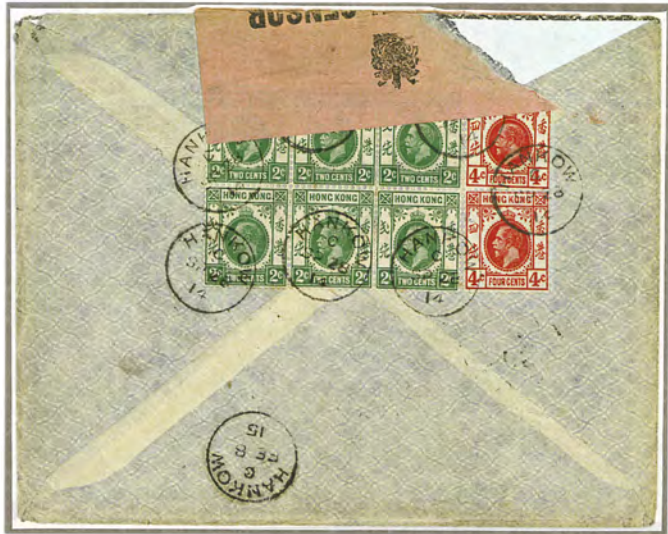


25 April 1907 letter to Scotland sent via Hong Kong due to closure of the trans-Siberian railway because of war. *P&O Arcadia* from HK to Colombo, *P&O Victoria* to Port Said and *P&O Osiris* to Brindisi. Edinburgh arrival 1 June. Webb type Liii datestamp is recorded from Mar. 1907 to Dec. 1915.

2379

HANKOW

Boxed Registration Handstamp



28 Sept. 1914 registered letter to Syria but returned to sender due to war. HANKOW type Kiii datestamp dated 8 Feb. 1915 on reverse. 'Returned not transmissible' and 'Undeliverable L.P.S.' believed to be applied by Shanghai post office censor. The Hankow registration cachet is recorded from July 1908 to Mar.1918.

2380

HANKOW

Boxed Registration Handstamp



10 August 1910 registered letter to London sent in closed bag via Siberia. London arrival 29 August. Hankow registration cachet is recorded from July 1908 to Mar.1918 struck in black or blue. Also showing is the 25 mm Webb type Liii with index letter C is recorded from March 1907 to September 1915.



Between 1919 to 1921, experimental registration labels were used on registered mail. This cover also shows the Webb type M double-ring BRITISH POST OFFICE HANKOW datestamp which is recorded from 19 Feb. 1916 to 27 Nov. 1922.

2382

2381
1910 Hankow (10 Aug) to England. Hong Kong KEVII 10c registered stationery cover (size G), uprated by 4c, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type Liii (index C) cds, alongside with type R2 “HANKOW B.P.O.” boxed registered marking. Arrived London (29 Aug).
1910. 8. 10 漢口寄英國。香港愛德華七世10仙掛號郵資封（size G），加貼4仙，銷漢口英局Webb Liii型（C字）日戳，旁鈐R2型“HANKOW B. P. O.”長方形掛號章。8. 29抵倫敦。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2382
1919 Hankow (2 Oct) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 4c x 5, tied by Hankow BPO Webb type M cds., alongside with experimetnal “HANKOW B.P.O.” registered label. Transit Shanghai BPO (6 Oct). Arrived Chicago (3 Nov). Wax seal on cover back removed.
1919. 10. 2 漢口寄美國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 4仙x5，銷漢口英局Webb M型日戳，旁貼實驗性質之“HANKOW B. P. O.”掛號標籤。10. 6經上海英局。11. 3抵芝加哥。背面火漆被移除。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2383
1895 Hankow (29 Apr) to England. Taxed cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c x5, tied by Hankow BPO cds., alongside with circled T mark as the weight is over 1/2oz which was subjected to double rate. Transit Shanghai BPO (2 May), Hong Kong (7 May). Arrived London (10 Jun). 5d postage due was levied upon arrival.
1895. 4. 29 漢口寄英國。欠資封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙x5，銷漢口英局日戳，因超出半盎司而應付雙倍郵資而鈐帶圈T章。5. 2經上海英局，5. 7經香港。6. 10抵倫敦，判罰欠資5便士。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 6,000

HANKOW

Circular T marking



29 April 1895 underpaid letter to London showing the only known 12.5 mm circular T postage due marking from Hankow.
The correct rate for a ½ oz. letter to England was 10¢ and this is a letter under 1 oz. Rated Fr. 0.25, being the charge in francs for a double rate letter franked single rate. 5d postage due on arrival.

2383

SWATOW 汕頭

2384
1875 Swatow (23 Feb) to USA, applied with Swatow BPO Webb type B cds in greenish-blue. Showing “Financial matters / Per PMSS Co’s Mails” annotations. On front f.w. Hong Kong KGV 4c + 12c, tied by B62 obliterator, alongside with Hong Kong PAID ALL cds in red (24 Feb). Transit San Francisco (4 Apr). Arrived San Francisco (10 Apr). One of the 13 covers with Swatow type A cds as a backstamp on trans-pacific mail between 1868-1875 recorded by Dr. Andrew Cheung. Please see Hong Kong Philatelic Society Journal 10 (2006) and 11 (2007).
1875. 2. 23 汕頭寄美國，背面鈐汕頭英局Webb B型綠藍色日戳。寫有 “Financial Matters / Per PMSS Co’s Mails” 批示。正貼香港維多利亞女皇像4仙 + 12仙，銷B62殺手戳，旁鈐香港已付2. 24紅色中轉戳。4. 4經三藩市。為張文德醫生所記錄，1868至1875年間十三件蓋有汕頭英局B型日戳之跨太平洋郵件之一。詳見《Hong Kong Philatelic Society Journal 10 (2006)、11 (2007)》。
Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 30,000



SWATOW

Swatow became an official treaty port under the terms of the Treaty of Peking in 1860. A British Consulate was set up on the opposite bank of the Han River to the main part of the town. The *China Mail* of 27 October 1859 announced that the Postmaster General of Hong Kong had decided to open a postal agency in the Swatow and it was eventually set up at the British Consulate sometime in 1860. Swatow S2 obliterator (Webb type A) and 19½ mm Swatow c.d.s. (Webb type B) were supplied in mid-1866 by London G.P.O., similar to other Treaty Port agencies, mail was only dated stamped on reverse initially.



1875 letter to U.S.A. sent by private ship to Hong Kong and by *PMSS Great Republic* departing 1 March to San Francisco arriving on 4 April at doubled 8¢ per ½ oz. 1867 Anglo-American Postal Convention rate. “Straight-line” Swatow c.d.s. Webb type B in **greenish-blue colour** used as backstamp¹. Recorded in black or blue from Nov. 1866 to 29 March 1875.

13 covers recorded with this c.d.s. used as backstamp on trans-pacific mail between 1868 to 1875²

1. Swatow Webb type B c.d.s. on most covers seen by the exhibitor are in blue rather than greenish-blue colour. This could have been due to ink from a different supplier being used as an ad hoc measure
2. Hong Kong Paid All c.d.s. - A Study of the sub-types and their allocations to known covers by A.M.T. Cheung FRPSL published in Hong Kong Philatelic Society Journal 10 (2006) and update published in Hong Kong Philatelic Society Journal 11 (2007)

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2385

1876 Swatow (27 Jul) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c, tied scarce S2 obliterator in violet, matching with Swatow BPO Webb type B cds in violet on reverse. Showing “Via San Francisco” annotation. Transit Hong Kong (27 Jul) with PAID ALL cds in red. Transit San Francisco (29 Aug). S2 obliterator on covers are scarce as Webb only recorded 6 covers and postcards. The earliest recorded of S2 and Swatow type B cds was 29 Aug 1875 according to Dr. Andrew Cheung.
1876. 7. 27 汕頭寄美國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙，銷少見之S2紫色殺手戳，背面蓋有汕頭英局Webb B型紫色日戳。寫有“Via San Francisco” 批示。7. 27經香港，鈐PAID ALL紅色中轉戳。8. 29經三藩市。S2殺手戳之封片十分少見難得，Webb記錄僅有六件。而按張文德醫生記錄，最早同時蓋有S2及汕頭B型日戳之記錄為1875年8月29日。

Estimates HK\$ 24,000 - HK\$ 40,000

2386

1877 Swatow (17 Jul) to USA, f.w. Hong Kong QV 4c + 8c, tied by scarce S2 obliterator in violet, matching with Swatow BPO Webb type B cds in violet and “Via San Francisco” annotation alongside. Transit Hong Kong (18 Jul). Arrived San Francisco (31 Aug). S2 obliterator on covers are scarce as Webb only recorded 6 covers and postcards.
1877. 7. 17 汕頭寄美國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像4仙 + 8仙，銷少見之S2紫色殺手戳，旁鈐汕頭英局Webb B型紫色日戳並寫有“Via San Francisco” 批示。7. 18經香港。8. 31抵三藩市。S2殺手戳之封片十分少見難得，Webb記錄僅有六件。此封可能為汕頭英局日戳蓋於封面之最早記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 20,000 - HK\$ 40,000

SWATOW

The S2 Obliterator



2385

27 July 1876 cover to the U.S.A. franked 8¢ trans-Pacific rate carried by OCSS Gaelic backstamped straight-line SWATOW datestamp on 25 Jul. 76. The use of the S2 cancellator and Swatow Webb type B is recorded from 29 Aug. 1875.



2386

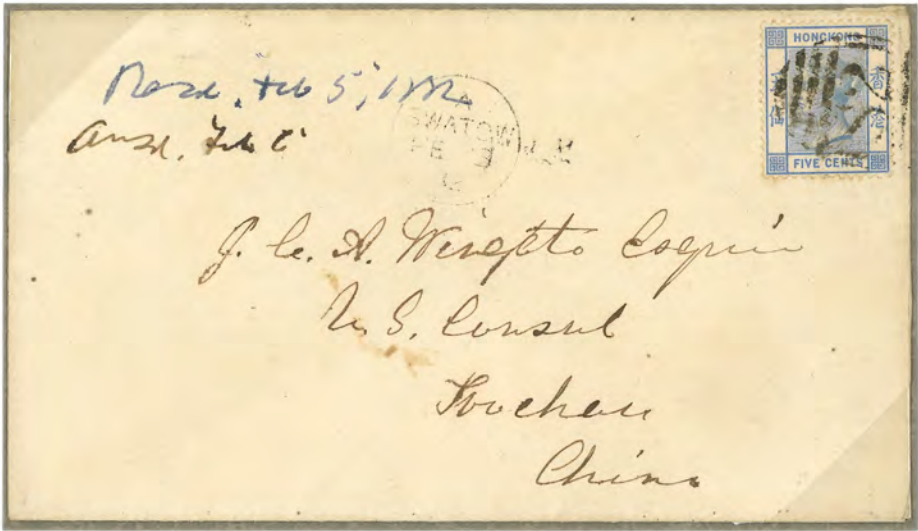
17 July 1877 cover from Swatow to the U.S.A. via San Francisco carried by PMSS City of Peking franked 12¢, being the 1st U.P.U. rate effective from 1 Apr. 1877.
Probably the earliest recorded example of the SWATOW c.d.s. appearing on the front of the cover.

2387
1878 Swatow (3 Feb) to Foochow, f.w. Hong Kong QV 5c, tied by scarce S2 obliterator in black, alongside with Swatow BPO Webb type B cds in black. Arrived Foochow BPO (5 Feb). After 1878, S2 obliterator is found in black.
1878. 2. 3 汕頭寄福州，貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙，銷少見之S2黑色殺手戳，旁鈐汕頭英局Webb B型黑色日戳。2. 5抵福州英局。在1878年後，開始出現黑色之S2殺手戳。
Estimates HK\$ 9,000 - HK\$ 15,000

2388
1885 Swatow (30 Jun) to Hong Kong, applied with Swatow BPO Webb type B cds in black. F.w. Hong Kong QV 5c, tied by B62 obliterator upon arrival, matching with Hong Kong (1 Jul) arrival cds. According to Webb, S2 was withdrawn in the latter half of 1885 when the general withdrawal of treaty port obliterator took place. Very peculiar example of leaving the stamp uncanceled when departing from Swatow. Ex- Percival David.
1885. 6. 30 汕頭寄香港，鈐汕頭英局Webb B型黑色日戳。貼香港維多利亞女皇像5仙，銷B62殺手戳，另鈐香港7. 1到達戳。Webb指S2殺手戳在1885年下半年連其他商埠之殺手戳一同被停用。此封於離開汕頭時未有銷票，十分奇特難得。大維德爵士舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 13,000 - HK\$ 25,000

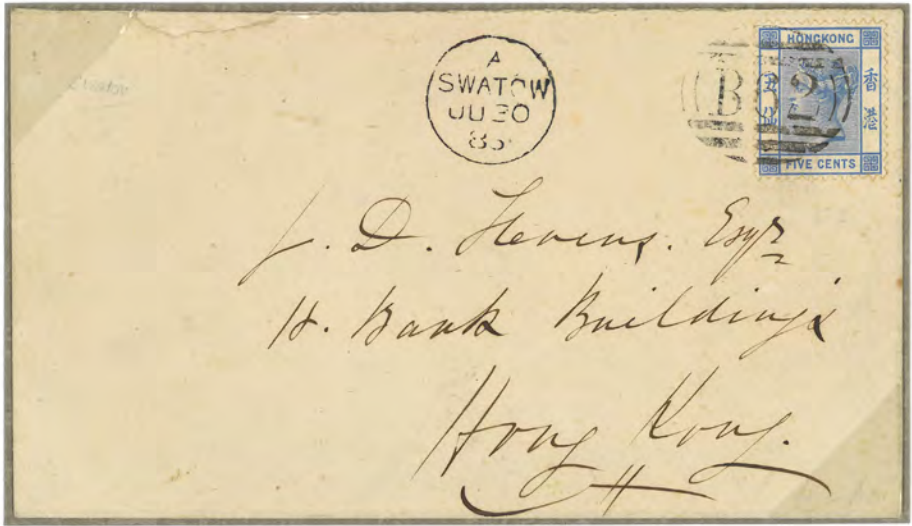
SWATOW

The S2 Obliterator



3 Feb. 1882 Swatow to Foochow carried by coastal steamer franked 5¢ inter-port rate. Foochowfoo arrival 5 Feb. on reverse. After 1878, the S2 obliterator is found in black, the latest recorded date is 13 Aug. 1885.

2387



Treaty Port obliterateors were withdrawn sometime in mid-1885 and the Swatow datestamp was used to cancel the adhesives. In mid-1885, few covers were sent to Hong Kong without the S2 cancellation; the adhesives were cancelled B62 on arrival. **Less than five covers known ex. Percival David.**

2388

2389
1885 Swatow (4 Dec) to Suez. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type B cds in black. Arrived Suez (3 Jan). Type B cds was used as cancellator between Jan 1885 and Dec 1889.
1885. 12. 4 汕頭寄蘇伊士。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷汕頭英局Webb B型日戳。1. 3抵蘇伊士。汕頭B型日戳於1885年1月至1889年12月間用作銷票。
Estimates HK\$ 2,400 - HK\$ 5,000

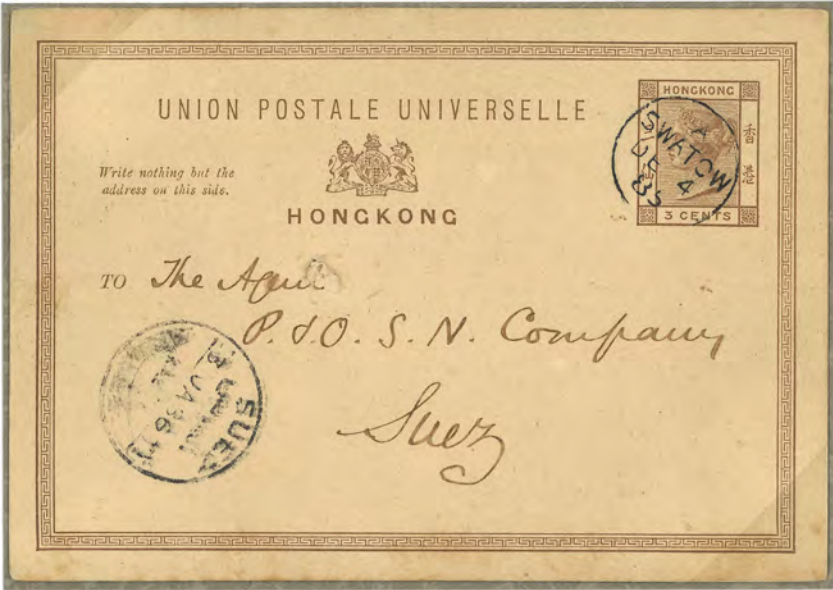
2390
1888 Swatow (May) to USA. Printed matter cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type D cds. Showing “via San Francisco” annotation. Flap missing. Webb stated that it is a sought-after cancellation by collectors with only 2 examples on covers known. This type was probably used by the main Swatow postal agency.
1888. 5 汕頭寄美國。印刷品封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙，銷汕頭英局D型日戳。寫有 “via San Francisco” 批示。封舌缺失。Webb指此戳深受收藏家青睞，蓋於封上的例子僅有兩件。此戳應用於汕頭的主要郵政代理。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2391
1893 Swatow (16 May) to England. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type E star cds. Transit Hong Kong (17 May) then by French packet Natal.
1893. 5. 16 汕頭寄英國。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷汕頭英局Webb E型星號日戳。5. 17經香港，隨後經法國郵船Natal號送遞。
Estimates HK\$ 600 - HK\$ 1,200

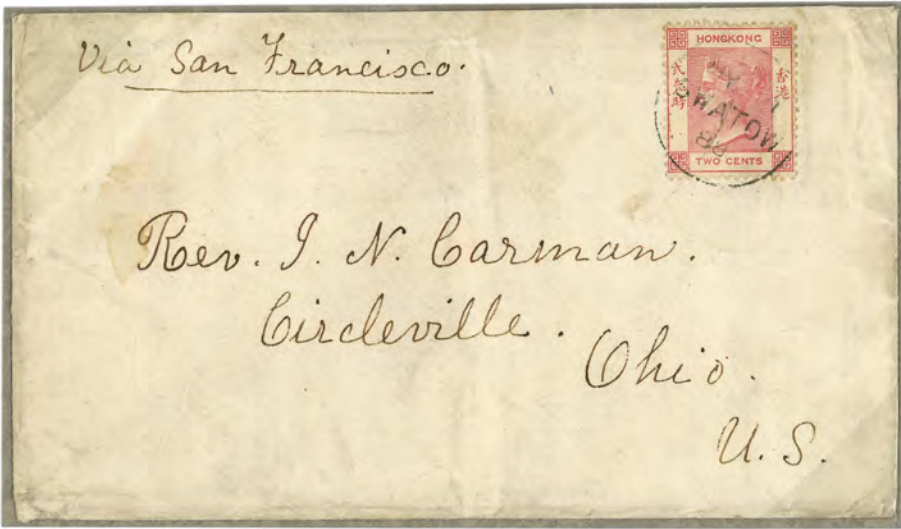
2392
A collection of Swatow BPO Webb type E star cds dated 1900, containing two Hong Kong QV used stamps and one stationery card to Hong Kong, all showcasing short year digit “00”. Webb stated that there was a shortage of the figure 00, therefore the year digits on the cds was actually modified from the figure 88 by removing the tops off. That’s why the year digits 00 are particularly short on this cds.
一組1900年汕頭英局Webb E型星號日戳集藏，包含兩枚香港維多利亞女皇像舊票及一件寄香港郵資片，日戳年份“00”較矮小。Webb指當時缺乏“00”的郵戳字粒，故將“88”的上圈移除改作00使用，故此戳的00字體尤其矮小。
Estimates HK\$ 300 - HK\$ 1,000

SWATOW

19½ mm & 22½ mm straight-line SWATOW datestamps



2389
After the withdrawal of the S2 obliterator in mid-1885, the straight-line datestamp was used by the main agency on Kakchich bank of the Han River to cancel adhesives. Webb type B is recorded from Jan. 1885 to Dec. 1889 as a cancellator.



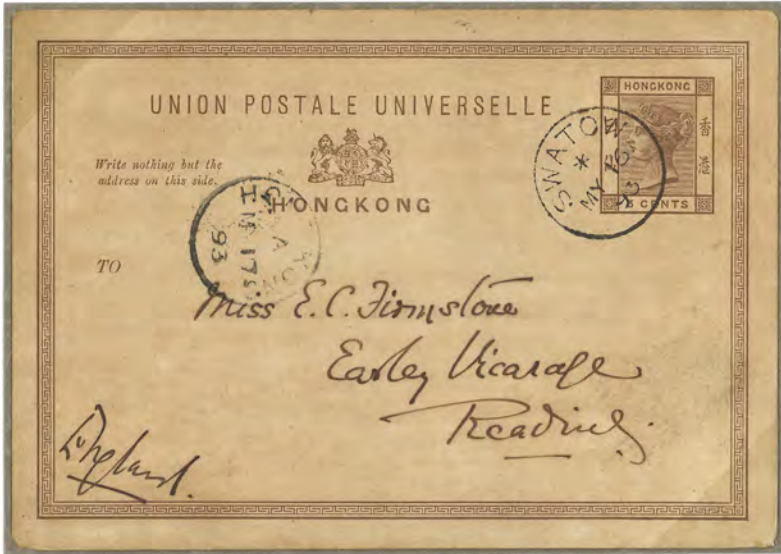
May 1888 cover franked 2¢ printed matter rate to U.S.A. carried by contract ship to Hong Kong and *PMSS Oceanic* to San Francisco showing the 22½ mm straight-line datestamp. Webb type D is recorded from June 1885 to Feb. 1897. Believed to be used by the main Swatow agency.

2390

SWATOW

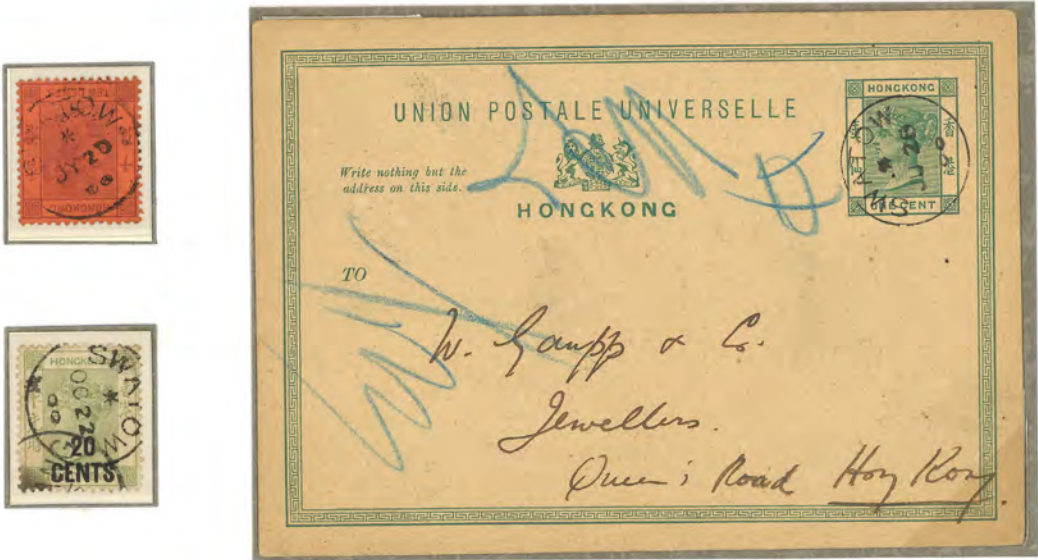
21½ mm SWATOW datestamp with * index

Webb type E is believed by some researchers used by the Swatow main agency from April 1890 to Feb. 1907. In 1900, possibly due to shortage of the “00” year-slugs, the bottom half of the obsolete “88” year-slug was removed and utilized as an interim measure. The converted year-slug resembles two small “oo”



2391

16 May 1893 3¢ postcard to England by private ship to Hong Kong then by French Packet *Natal*



20 June 1900 1¢ postcard to Hong Kong sent by “*SS Formosa* by Capt. Hodgins” according to the sender who was a member of Swatow E.P. Mission, located at Kakchich where the main postal agency was set up. Hong Kong arrival backstamp 29 June on reverse.

2392

SWATOW

Swatow Sub-agency

A sub-agency was opened in 1883 on the Swatow city bank of the Han River. Webb type C, the 19½ mm curved Swatow c.d.s. with index A is recorded used by this office initially with the same or a second very similar “S2” obliterator¹.

Four covers and this postcard are recorded with Webb type C and S2 combination



2393

24 December 1883 postcard to the U.S.A. sent by coastal steamer to Hong Kong 28 Dec. and then sent by trans-pacific steamer *PMSS City of Peking* on 31 December to San Francisco. Recorded used in combination with “S2” from 1 December 1883 to 13 August 1885.

1. A “squarer, thicker and rougher” S2 is reported by Webb (p.323/4) known as type Aii and he suggested its use at the sub-agency and made locally. Type Aii is known on a few loose stamps only (Webb Plate 75) and a AP 6 85 part cover in combination with straight line type B Swatow c.d.s. in the Ishikawa collection (lot 623). The discovery of four covers and one postcard bearing the combination of a different “S2” and Webb type C infers that the loose stamps and the part cover with S2 Webb Aii may be forgeries dated back decades ago.



From 1884 onwards, Webb type C was used alone to cancel stamps and postcards. Recorded Nov. 1884 to May 1900. In 1900, possibly due to shortage of “00” year-slugs, the obsolete “88” year-slug was converted to two small “oo”

2394

2393
1883 Swatow (24 Dec) to USA. Hong Kong QV 3c PSC,tied by scarce S2 obliterator in black, alongside with Swatow BPO Webb type C cds. Arrived San Francisco (26 Jan). One of the 4 recorded covers and post-cards with combination of S2 oliberator and Swatow type C cds. A rarity.
1883. 12. 24 汕頭寄美國。香港維多利亞女皇像3仙郵資片，銷少見之S2黑色殺手戳，旁鈐汕頭英局Webb C型日戳。1. 26抵三藩市。為四件同時蓋有S2殺手戳及汕頭C型日戳之封片之一。
Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 30,000

2394
A pair of Hong Kong QV 10c used stamp and a stationery card applied with Swatow BPO Webb type C cds. Fomer showcasing shorter year digit “00”. Webb stated that there was a shortage of the figure 00, therefore the year digits on the cds was actually modified from the figure 88 by removing the tops off. That’s why the year digits 00 are particularly short on this cds.
香港維多利亞女皇像10仙舊票及1仙郵資片各一件，均鈐汕頭英局Webb C型日戳。前者年份“00” 尤其矮小。Webb指當時缺乏“00”的郵戳字粒，故將“88”的上圈移除改作00使用，故此戳的00字體尤其矮小。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2395
1900 Swatow (11 Sep) to Germany. Hong Kong QV 2c newswrapper (Yang NW1), tied by Swatow BPO Webb type Fi (index C). Transit Shanghai BPO (18 Sep). Rather scarce wrapper example.
1900. 9. 11 汕頭寄德國。香港維多利亞女皇像2仙報紙包裝紙（楊目NW1），銷汕頭英局Webb Fi（C字）日戳。9. 18經上海英局。報紙包裝紙例子頗為少見。
Estimates HK\$ 3,400 - HK\$ 5,000

2396
1902 Swatow (3 Mar) to Austria. Hong Kong QV 2c stationery cover, uprated by 4c x2 + 5c x2, in total of 20c, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type Fi (Index C) cds., alongside with circled R mark. Transit Hong Kong. Arrived Vienna.
1902. 3. 3 汕頭寄奧國。香港維多利亞女皇像2仙郵資封，加貼4仙x2 + 5仙x2，合20仙，銷汕頭英局Webb Fi（C字）日戳，旁鈐帶圈R章。經香港。抵維也納。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 5,000

SWATOW

22½ mm SWATOW datestamp

This was sent out from London on 23 Oct. 1899.
Webb type Fi with the index letter 6½ mm below the ring is believed used by the Swatow sub-agency.

The index letter was initially set as “C”, but when time codes were introduced after 1910, indices A, B and C were used.
Datestamp with index letter C is recorded from Mar. 1900 to Dec. 1909 and from Feb. 1915 to Feb. 1918.



2395



3 Mar. 1902 registered stationery envelope to Germany showing the circular R marking and Webb type Fi.

2396

2397

A collection of Swatow BPO Webb type Fii cds, containing 4 Hong Kong KEVII singles and multiples as well as a 1914 (18 Mar) cover from a member of the Chinese fleet, all applied with Swatow BPO Webb type Fii cds with “day before month” variety. This type of cds has two varieties, “month before day” or “day before month”.

一頁以汕頭英國客郵局Webb Fii型日戳為題之展頁，包含四件香港愛德華七世單枚及連票，以及一件1914. 3. 18由中國艦隊成員寄出之信封，均鈐汕頭英局Fii型日戳，並帶“日期居左，月份居右”變異。此戳具有兩款變異，月份和日期位置分別左右對調。

Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2398

A collection of Swatow BPO Webb type H cds, containing 4 Hong Kong KEVII and KGV singles and multiples, plus a 1920 (22 Jan) cover to USA. Showcasing scarce type Hi (index A) cds and interesting “day before month” variety.

一頁以汕頭英局Webb H型日戳為題之展頁，包含四件香港愛德華七世及佐治五世單枚及連票，以及一件1920. 1. 22寄美國封。展示了稀罕少見之Hi型（A字）日戳（Webb記錄中僅見一件）乃至“日期居左，月份居右”的變異例子。

Estimates HK\$ 2,400 - HK\$ 4,000

2399

1909 Swatow (10 Feb) to Germany. Hong Kong KEVII 1c PSC, uprated by 7 stamps, in total of 41c, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type Hiii (index C) cds., alongside with scarce 1st type “SWATOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (13 Feb). Arrived Treptow (18 Mar). Second earliest example of this Swatow BPO registered mark.

1909. 210 汕頭寄德國。香港愛德華七世1仙郵資片，加貼7枚票，合41仙，銷汕頭英局Webb Hiii型（C字）日戳，旁鈐珍罕之1型“SWATOW B. P. O.”長方形掛號章。2. 13經香港。3. 18抵Treptow。為該款汕頭英局掛號章之第二早記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2400

1915 US Consulate, Swatow (13 Feb) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV 10c x2, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type Fi cds., alongside with scarce 1st type “SWATOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (15 Feb), Arrived Philadelphia (22 Mar).

1915. 2. 13 美國駐福州領事館寄美國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世10仙x2，銷汕頭英局Webb Fi型日戳，旁鈐珍罕之1型“SWATOW B. P. O.”長方形掛號章。2. 15經香港。3. 22抵費城。

Estimates HK\$ 10,000 - HK\$ 20,000

SWATOW

22½ mm SWATOW datestamp

18 Mar. 1914 letter from a member of the Chinese fleet moored at Swatow to Peking Customs House sent by the British Post Office sub-agency.
Carried by contract steamer to Shanghai. Shanghai BPO arrival 23 Mar.

Examples showing “Day before Month”



The index letter was changed to B between May 1911 to June 1914 due to introduction of the “time code” system. Webb type Fii can be found with “month before day” and “day before month”; this might be the method used to distinguish different users of the datestamp.

2397

SWATOW

25 mm SWATOW datestamp

This datestamp was sent out from London on 11 Jan. 1907. It is believed by some researchers used by the main agency. The datestamp was set with index letter C initially, Webb type Hiii is recorded from Mar. 1907 to Aug. 1910 and from May 1919 to Sept. 1920. Between May 1911 to Nov. 1919, type Hii c.d.s. is recorded with index B.



Webb type Hii showing “Day before Month” and “Month before Day”



22 Jan. 1920 letter to U.S.A. showing type Hiii c.d.s. in its second period of use.

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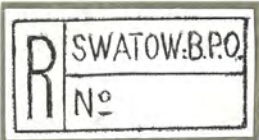
SWATOW

Boxed Registration Handstamp



2399

10 Feb. 1909, registered 1¢ postal stationery card to Germany showing the first type of the boxed handstamp. In use with Webb type H suggests that this registration marking was used at the main agency. The earliest recorded date is 14 July 1908 and this is the second earliest recorded example.



13 Feb. 1915 letter to U.S.A. showing the same registration cachet used with type Fi c.d.s. The cachet might be used by the sub-agency at this time.

2400

2401
1913 Swatow (25 Feb) to USA. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 6c + 10c, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type Giii (index A) cds., alongside with scarce 2nd type “SWATOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (26 Feb). Arrived Chicago (4 Apr). Earliest example of 2nd type registered mark.
1913. 2. 25 汕頭寄美國。掛號封，貼香港愛德華七世6仙 + 10仙，銷汕頭英局Webb Giii（A字）日戳，旁鈐珍罕之2型 “SWATOW B. P. O.” 長方形掛號章。2. 26經香港。4. 4抵芝加哥。此為2型掛號章之最早記錄。
Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 20,000

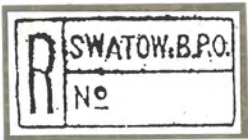
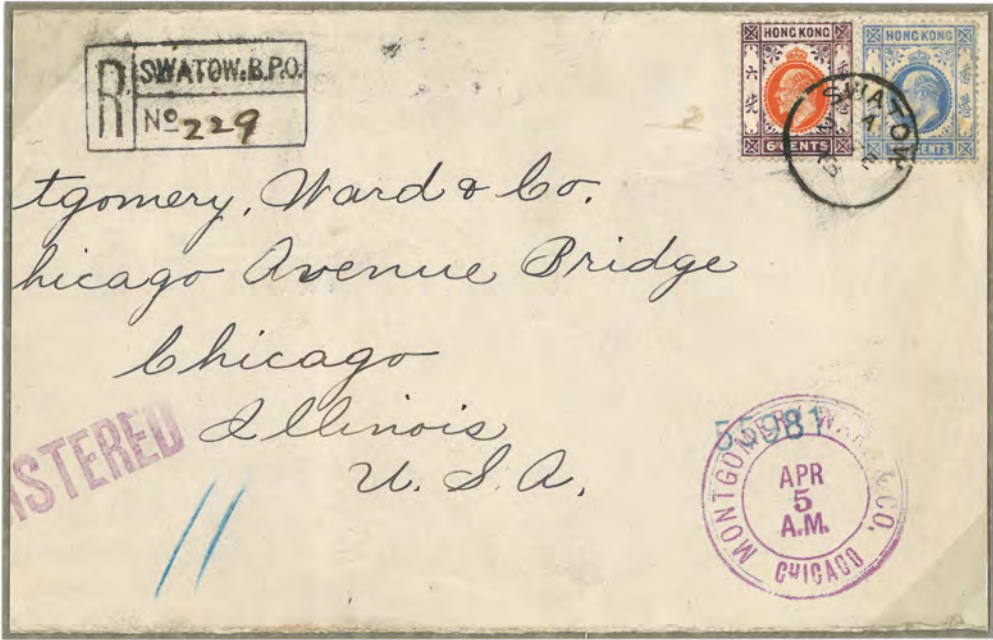
2402
1921 Swatow (3 Feb) to Austria. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c registered stationery cover (size G), insured for 300 francs, uprated by 1c + 4c + 10c + 20c, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type I index B cds., alongside with scarce Proud type R6 “SWATOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (4 Feb). Index B is also unusual on type I cds.
1921. 2. 3 汕頭寄奧國。香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙保險掛號郵資封（size G），保額300法郎，加貼1仙 + 4仙 + 10仙 + 20仙，銷汕頭英局Webb I型B字日戳，旁鈐珍罕之Proud R6型 “SWATOW B. P. O.” 長方形掛號章。2. 4經香港。I型日戳亦較少見於B字。
Estimates HK\$ 15,000 - HK\$ 25,000

2403
1920 Swatow (31 Jul) to Denmark. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c registered stationery cover (size G), uprated by 6c + 10c, tied by Swatow BPO Webb type I index B cds., alongside with scarce Proud type R7 “SWATOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (3 Aug). Less than 5 examples of this registered h.s. was recorded. Index B is also unusual on type I cds.
1920. 7. 31 汕頭寄丹麥。香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙掛號郵資封（size G），加貼6仙 + 10仙，銷汕頭英局Webb I型B字日戳，旁鈐少見之Proud R7型 “SWATOW B. P. O.” 掛號章。8. 3經香港。R7型掛號章記錄中僅見五例。而I型日戳亦較少見於B字。
Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2404
A collection of Swatow BPO Webb type I cds, containing 7 Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA stamps, plus a 1919 (6 Oct) to USA cover, showcasing index A, B, C and D among which Index B is unusual on type I cds. 一頁以汕頭英局Webb I型日戳為題之展頁，包含7枚香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA票及一件1919. 10. 6寄美國封。包含A、B、C及D字例子。當中又以B字較為少見。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

SWATOW

Boxed Registration Handstamp



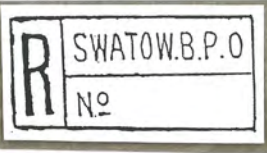
25 Feb. 1913, registered letter to U.S.A. showing the second type of the boxed handstamp. The use of the 22½ mm SWATOW type Gii c.d.s. as a cancellation suggests that this registration marking was in use at main agency.

This is the earliest recorded example of the type 2 handstamp

2401

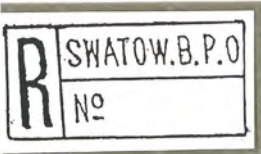
SWATOW

Boxed Registration Handstamps - CHINA overprint period



2402

3 Feb. 1921 single-rate registered envelope to Austria insured for 300 francs paid 25 cents insurance fee.
Boxed registration handstamp Proud type R6 recorded from March 1919 to 1922.
Double-ring SWATOW datestamp with longer side-bars and index - B - Proud type D12/Webb type I



31 July 1920 double-rate 10¢ + 6¢ registered envelope to Denmark. Boxed registration handstamp Proud type R7 recorded from May 1919 to 1921 and the double-ring SWATOW datestamp with short side-bars index letter B Proud type D10/Webb type I. Less than five examples of this handstamp recorded

2403

SWATOW

Double-ring Swatow British Post Office datestamps

Two standard type double-ring datestamps were sent to Swatow in 1916, these were used with different index letters indicating time codes. Believed to be used by the sub-agency. After 1921, bars were added to each side of the index letter. Webb type I is recorded from April 1916 to Nov. 1922.



Datestamp with longer side-bars
Index -B-



Index A



Index C



Index D, -D-



2404

KIUNGCHOW AND HOIHOW

瓊州與海口

2405
Hong Kong QV 4c used stamp, tied by scarce D28 obliterator. D28 obliterator is very scarce and no cover applied with D28 was recorded by Webb which left used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation. 香港維多利亞女皇像4仙舊票，銷珍罕之D28殺手戳。D28殺手戳極為難得，Webb未見任何存世信封記錄，故舊票成了入手的唯一途徑。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2406
Hong Kong QV 8c used stamp, tied by scarce D28 obliterator. D28 obliterator is very scarce and no cover applied with D28 was recorded by Webb which left used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation. 香港維多利亞女皇像8仙舊票，銷珍罕之D28殺手戳。D28殺手戳極為難得，Webb未見任何存世信封記錄，故舊票成了入手的唯一途徑。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 3,000



KIUNGCHOW & HOIHOW

The city of Kiungchow and the port Hoihow on Hainan island were opened to foreign trade under the terms of Treaty of Tientsin in 1858. A British Consulate was established in 1860 and a postal agency was set up in 1876. The name was officially changed from Kiungchow to Hoihow on 24 July 1878.

The D28 Obliterator



Kiungchow Oval “REGISTERED” removed



G.P.O. London sent both D28 obliterator and the oval registered datestamp on 9 June 1876. The word “REGISTERED” was removed and used as a cancel (July 1883 - April 1885). No “D28” covers are known to date.

The small Hoihow datestamp



20 MY 85
Day - Month
Recorded in the first
few months only
Earliest recorded
2413

29 August 1893, 2¢ rate Pattern Post to England showing the 18½ mm HOIHOW datestamp Webb type D configuration Month/Day is recorded from June 1885 to Sept. 1897
Uncommon usage, most examples are known on letters and postcards ex. R. Chan

2412

2407

Hong Kong QV surch 5c/18c used stamp, tied by scarce D28 obliterator. D28 obliterator is very scarce and no cover applied with D28 was recorded by Webb which left used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation.

香港維多利亞女皇像改值5仙蓋18仙舊票，銷珍罕之D28殺手戳。D28殺手戳極為難得，Webb未見任何存世信封記錄，故舊票成了入手的唯一途徑。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2408

Hong Kong QV surch 10c/12c used stamp, tied by scarce D28 obliterator. D28 obliterator is very scarce and no cover applied with D28 was recorded by Webb which left used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation.

香港維多利亞女皇像改值10仙蓋12仙舊票，銷珍罕之D28殺手戳。D28殺手戳極為難得，Webb未見任何存世信封記錄，故舊票成了入手的唯一途徑。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2409

Hong Kong QV surch 5c/18c used stamp, tied by scarce Kiungchow BPO Webb type B cds, dated 7 Mar 1881. The latest one among the 13 examples recorded by Webb. With RPSL certificate.

香港維多利亞女皇像改值5仙蓋18仙舊票，銷珍罕之瓊州英局Webb B型日戳，日期為1881年3月7日。為Webb記錄之13例中最晚一例。附皇家郵學會證書。

Estimates HK\$ 8,000 - HK\$ 15,000

2410

Hong Kong QV 5c used stamp, tied by scarce Kiungchow BPO Webb type Cii index A oval d.s. with missing year variety. Webb stated that it is an even rarer cancellation than type B cds and no cover was recorded which left used stamp the only way to acquire it.

香港維多利亞女皇像5仙舊票，銷珍罕之瓊州英局Webb Cii型A字橢圓日戳。Webb指此戳比B型日戳更為少見，亦未見任何存世信封記錄，故舊票成了入手的唯一途徑。

Estimates HK\$ 8,000 - HK\$ 15,000

2411

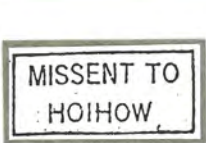
Hong Kong QV surch 10c/12c used stamp, tied by scarce Kiungchow BPO Webb type B cds. Kiungchow type B cds is very scarce as Webb only recorded 13 examples of loose stamps which left used stamps the only way to acquire this cancellation.

香港維多利亞女皇像改值10仙蓋12仙舊票，銷珍罕之瓊州英局Webb B型日戳。瓊州B型日戳極為難得，Webb記錄僅見十三枚舊票，而未見任何存世信封記錄，故舊票成了入手的唯一途徑。

Estimates HK\$ 8,000 - HK\$ 15,000

HOIHOW

MISSENT TO HOIHOW



25 June 1898 postal card from St. Petersburg to Kiautschou, North China missent to Kiungchow/Hoihow via Hong Kong arriving on 17 Aug. Re-directed to Shanghai and arriving in Tsintau on 5 Sept.

Hoihow Webb type E on reverse is recorded from Oct. 1897 to Nov. 1899.

The Hoihow boxed “Missent” marking is recorded in the London G.P.O. proof book dated 18 July 1878.

This is the only recorded example

2414

2412
Hong Kong QV 5c used stamp, tied by Hoihow BPO Webb type D cds., dated 20 May 1885. The earliest recorded example of this type of cds.
香港維多利亞女皇像5仙舊票，銷海口英局Webb D型日戳，日期為1885年5月20日。為該日戳之最早記錄。
Estimates HK\$ 500 - HK\$ 1,000

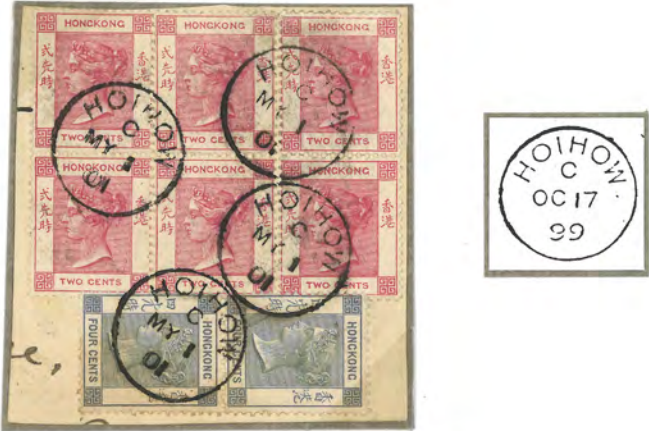
2413
1893 Hoihow (29 Aug) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 2c for printed matter rate, tied by Hoihow BPO Webb type D cds with outer rim. Four corners cut to fulfill regulation for printed matter. Hoihow type D cds on cover is already scarce, not to mention printed matter example. Ex- Richard Chan.
1893. 8. 29 海口寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像2仙，付印刷品郵資，四邊剪角以符合印刷品規定，銷海口英局Webb D型日戳（帶外圈）。海口D型日戳之實寄封片本已少見，印刷品更是難得。陳卓堅舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 10,000

2414
1898 (25 Jun) Russian 4k stationery card from St. Petersburg to Kiaochow, missent to Kiungchow, tied by circular obliterator with St. Petersburg origin cds. Transit Hong Kong (14 Aug). Arrived Hoihow BPO (17 Aug) with Webb type E cds. Showing extremely scarce “MISSENT TO HOIHOW” marking on address side. Redirected to Kiaochow via Shanghai Chinese PO (27 Aug). Arrived Tsingtau German PO (5 Sep). It is the only recorded example of the “MISSENT TO HOIHOW” marking. Dr. Andrew Cheung was awarded with Wilde Cup for this discovery in 2000.
1898. 6. 25 俄國4戈比郵資片自聖彼得堡寄膠州，誤寄瓊州，鈐圓型殺手戳及聖彼得堡始發日戳。8. 14經香港。8. 17抵海口英局，鈐Webb E型日戳及極罕之“MISSENT TO HOIHOW”橫戳。8. 27經上海清郵改寄膠州。9. 5抵青島德局。此為“MISSENT TO HOIHOW”橫戳之存世孤例。張文德醫生憑此片於2000年榮獲Wilde Cup。
Estimates HK\$ 12,000 - HK\$ 30,000

HOIHOW

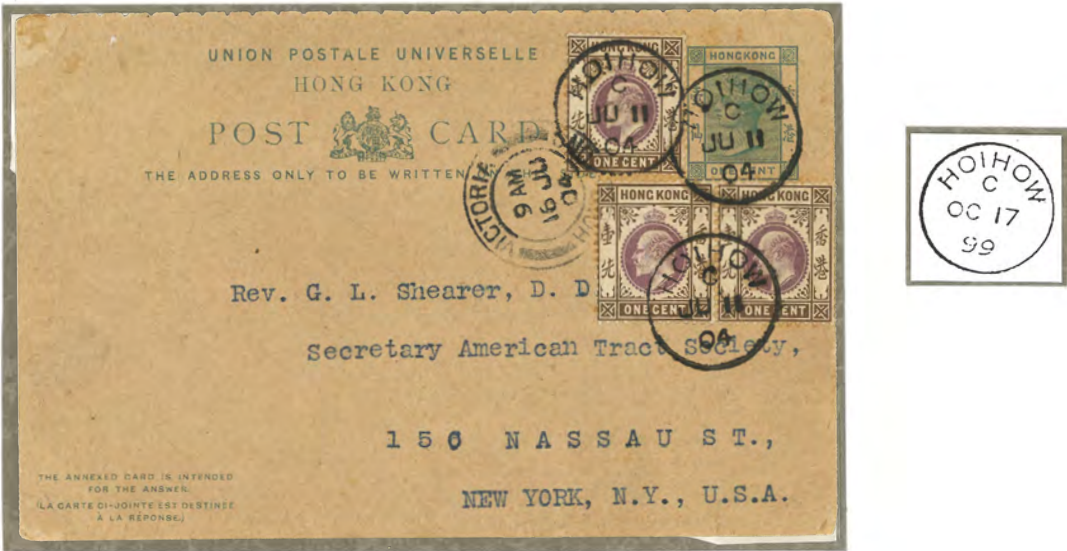
21½ mm & 22 mm HOIHOW datestamps

Two similar datestamps were sent on 23 October 1899 from the G.P.O. London.



22 mm HOIHOW datestamp with round O. Webb type G is recorded from Jan. 1900 to Feb. 1907

2415



11 June 1904 mixed franking postal card to U.S.A. showing the 21½ mm c.d.s. with oval O. Webb type F with index C is recorded from July 1901 to Mar. 1907.

2416

2415
Hong Kong QV 2c in block of 4 and 4c in pair on piece, tied by Hoihow BPO Webb type G cds. One of the rarer type of Hoihow BPO cds.
香港維多利亞女皇像2仙四方連 + 4仙雙連剪片，銷海口英局Webb G型日戳。此為海口英局中較少見之戳式。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 3,000

2416
1904 Hoihow (11 Jun) to USA. Hong Kong QV 1c PSC, uprated by KEVII 1c x3, tied by Hoihow BPO Webb type Fi (index C) cds. Transit Hong Kong (16 Jun). Arrived New York (20 Jul).
1904. 6. 11 海口寄美國。香港維多利亞女皇像1仙郵資片，加貼愛德華七世1仙x3，銷海口英局Webb Fi（C字）日戳。6. 16經香港。7. 20抵紐約。
Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

2417
1907 Hoihow (30 Apr) to J. Maus, Germany. Hong Kong QV 10c reigstered stationery cover (size F), uprated by KEVII 10c, tied by Hoihow BPO Webb type Hi cds., alongside with type R1 circled R mark. Transit Hong Kong (3 May). Arrived Lichtenthal (1 Jun). Latest recorded example of the circled R mark.
1907. 4. 30 海口寄德國的茂斯。香港維多利亞女皇像10仙掛號郵資封（Size F），加貼愛德華七世10仙，銷海口英局Webb Hi型日戳，鈐R1型帶圈R章。5. 3經香港。6. 1抵Lichtenthal。為該帶圈R章之最晚記錄。
Estimates HK\$ 10,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2418
1908 Hoihow (6 Jun) to France, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 20c, tied Hoihow BPO Webb type Hi cdsm, alongside with “HOIHOW B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (9 Jun), French paquebot Ligne N (9 Jun). Arrived Orlean (10 Jul).
1908. 6. 6 海口寄法國，貼香港愛德華七世20仙，銷海口英局Webb Hi型日戳，旁鈐“HOIHOW B. P. O.” 長方形掛號章。6. 9經香港，同日經法國郵船N線。7. 10抵奧爾良。
Estimates HK\$ 10,000 - HK\$ 20,000

HOIHOW

Registration Handstamps



30 Apr. 1907 registered postal stationery cover to Germany showing the latest recorded example of circular R handstamp. Also showing is the first 25mm HOI HOW c.d.s. type H sent on 11 Jan. 1907.



1908 cover to France showing an early example of this boxed handstamp. Also showing is the second 25mm HOI HOW c.d.s. sent on 11 Jan. 1907.

2418

TIENTSIN 天津



TIENTSIN

Double-ring TIENTSIN datestamp

Tientsin British Post Office was reopened in 1906 and three locally made double-ring datestamps were taken into use. Webb type A is recorded from 6 October 1906 to 20 March 1907 and were replaced by four single-ring datestamps (type B) sent out from London G.P.O. on 11 January 1907.



2419

21 Jan. 1907 postcard at the 2¢ printed matter rate to England. Sub-type I* with 7.5mm side-bars, symmetrical "S", small loop of "P". Recorded: 20 Oct. 1906 to 19 Feb. 1907



2420

16 Nov. 1906 postcard from Saigon to Tientsin. Sub-type II* with shorter, thicker 7mm side-bars, left side-bar higher than right, top loop of "S" pointing downwards, small loop of "P". Recorded on 4 Dec. 1906

2419

1907 Tientsin (21 Jan) to England. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 1c in pair, tied by Tientsin BPO Webb type A subtype I cds. Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded the usage of subtype I cds between 20 Oct 1906 and 19 Feb 1907.

1907. 1. 21 天津寄英國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世1仙雙連，銷天津英局Webb A型I亞型日戳。張文德醫生記錄I亞型日戳僅於1906年10月20日至1907年2月19日使用。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2420

1906 Saigon (16 Nov) to Tientsin. Picture postcard, f.w. France type 10c on image side, tied by Saigon cds. Transit Hong Kong (24 Nov), Tientsin French PO (4 Dec). Arrived Tientsin BPO (4 Dec) with Webb type A subtype II cds. It is the only recorded example of subtype II by Dr. Andrew Cheung.

1906. 11. 16 西貢寄天津。圖片明信片，貼法蘭西像10生丁，銷西貢日戳。11. 24經香港，12. 4經天津法局。同日抵天津英局，鈐Webb A型II亞型日戳。此為張文德醫生所記錄II亞型戳之孤例。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2421

1907 Tientsin (14 Jan) to Germany. Pictrure postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 5c, tied by Tientsin BPO Webb type A subtype III cds. Transit Shanghai BPO (18 Jan). Arrived Wiesbaden (17 Feb). Dr. Andrew Cheung recorded the usage of subtype III cds between 15 Dec 1906 and 23 Feb 1907.

1907. 1. 14 天津寄德國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世5仙，銷天津英局Webb A型III亞型日戳。1. 18經上海英局。2. 17抵Wiesbaden。張文德醫生記錄III亞型日戳僅於1906年12月15日至1907年2月23日使用。

Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

2422

Hong Kong KEVII 2c in horizontal pair, used by Tientsin BPO Webb type A subtype III cds, dated “OCT 26 / 13”. Webb claimed that type A cds was put in use again during WWI and listed it as the latest recorded usage. However, Dr. Andrew Cheung pointed out that it is actually a transposition error between the day and year digits.

香港愛德華七世2仙橫雙連，銷天津英局Webb A型III亞型日戳，日期為 “OCT 26 / 13”。Webb聲稱A型日戳在一戰期間重新投入使用，並指此為A型日戳之最晚記錄。但張文德醫生認為此戳僅是因年份及日期字粒對掉造成的錯體。有趣。

Estimates HK\$ 1,500 - HK\$ 3,000

TIENTSIN

Double-ring TIENTSIN datestamp



2421

“JA 14 07” postcard to Germany. Sub-type III* with shorter, thicker 7mm side-bars, right side-bar higher than left, asymmetrical "S" and top loop of "S" pointing outwards and often thickened, big loop of "P". The third letter of the month is often missing. Recorded on 15 Dec. 1906 to 23 Feb. 1907*

Type A re-use during the Great War



2422

“Latest recorded” of type Ai** (Sub-type III*)

Webb surmised that type A c.d.s. was taken into use during WWI due to a shortage of cancels while the four single-ring type B c.d.s. were being used. Close examination of the datestamp above shows transposition of the year-slug “06” and the day-slug “13”, therefore, the few examples known to Webb “used during the Great War” could be ascribed to date error.

*Sub-types and dates based on the exhibitor’s article published in Hong Kong Philatelic Society Journal 8 (2004)
**Webb’s sub-type Ai is three-letter month and Aii is two-letter month, Webb did not describe three separate c.d.s.

2423
1907 Tientsin (6 May) to New Zealand, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 1c + 4c + 5c + 8c, tied by Tientsin BPO Webb type B cds., alongside with scarce type Ri registered mark. Transit Shanghai BPO (13 May), Hong Kong (18 May). Arrived Dunedin (13 Jun). One of the 5 recorded examples of type Ri mark.
1907. 5. 6 天津寄新西蘭，貼香港愛德華七世1仙 + 4仙 + 5仙 + 8仙，銷天津英局Webb B型日戳，旁鈐少見之Ri型掛號橫戳。5. 13經上海英局，5. 18經香港。6. 13抵Dunedin。為Ri型掛號章之存世五例之一。
Estimates HK\$ 10,000 - HK\$ 20,000

2424
1916 Tientsin (18 Oct) to Holland. WWI censor registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV 4c in pair + 6c in pair, tied by Tientsin BPO Webb type B cds., alongside with type Rii “TIENTSIN B.P.O.” registered mark. Transit London (7 Nov). Arrived Scheveningen (18 Nov).
1916. 10. 18 天津寄荷蘭。一戰檢查掛號封，貼香港佐治五世4仙雙連 + 6仙雙連，銷天津英局Webb B型日戳，旁鈐Rii型“TIENTSIN B. P. O.”長方形掛號章。11. 7經倫敦。11. 18抵Scheveningen。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

TIENTSIN

Boxed Registration Handstamps



2423

6 May 1907 registered letter to New Zealand
8¢ double Empire rate
10¢ registration.
Shanghai 13 May
Hong Kong 18 May
Dunedin 13 June
Webb type Ri
Recorded from:-
Oct. 1906 – July 1907

Only five recorded



18 Oct. 1916
Censored registered letter to Holland via England
10¢ Foreign letter rate
10¢ registration.
London 7 Nov.
Scheveningen 18 Nov.
Webb type Rii
Recorded from:-
Mar. 1908 – Sept. 1922

2424

2425
1912 Tientsin (18 May) to England. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 1c, tied by Tientsin BPO Webb type B cds, alongside with negative T mark in red. Transit Shanghai BPO (23 May). 1-1/2d postage due was levied upon arrival. One of the 4 recorded examples of this T mark.
1912. 5. 18 天津寄英國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世1仙，銷天津英局Webb B型日戳，旁鈐陰文紅色T章。5. 23經上海英局。為該款T章之四件存世例子之一。
Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

2426
1913 England (5 Aug) to Tientsin. Picture postcard, f.w. KGV 1/2d, tied by Melford cds, alongside with hexagonal T mark. Arrived Tientsin BPO (23 Aug) with Webb type B cds. Showing Chinese manuscript of “3” for postage due.
1913. 8. 5 英國寄天津。圖片明信片，貼佐治五世半便士，銷Melford日戳，旁鈐六角形欠資T章。8. 23抵天津英局，鈐Webb B型日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

TIENTSIN

Underpaid mail



1912 3¢ underpaid postcard to England showing the negative T postage due marking of TIENTSIN in red. Earliest recorded January 1907 Latest recorded 22 November 1918

One of the four recorded examples



1913 underpaid postcard from England showing the 23 mm single-ring TIENTSIN c.d.s. Webb type B Hexagonal T of London for 10 centimes due and Chinese manuscript 3 in red for postage due.

CHEFOO 煙台

2427
1906 Chefoo (6 Feb) to England. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c x7 + 2c, tied by Chefoo BPO Webb type A cds, alongside with circled R mark. Transit Hong Kong (19 Feb), London (21 Mar). On reverse with Cornabe & Co wax seal.
1906. 2. 6 煙台寄英國。掛號封，貼香港愛德華七世4仙x7 + 2仙，銷煙台英局Webb A型日戳，旁鈐帶圈R章。2. 19經香港，3. 21經倫敦。背面帶Cornabe & Co火漆。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000



CHEFOO

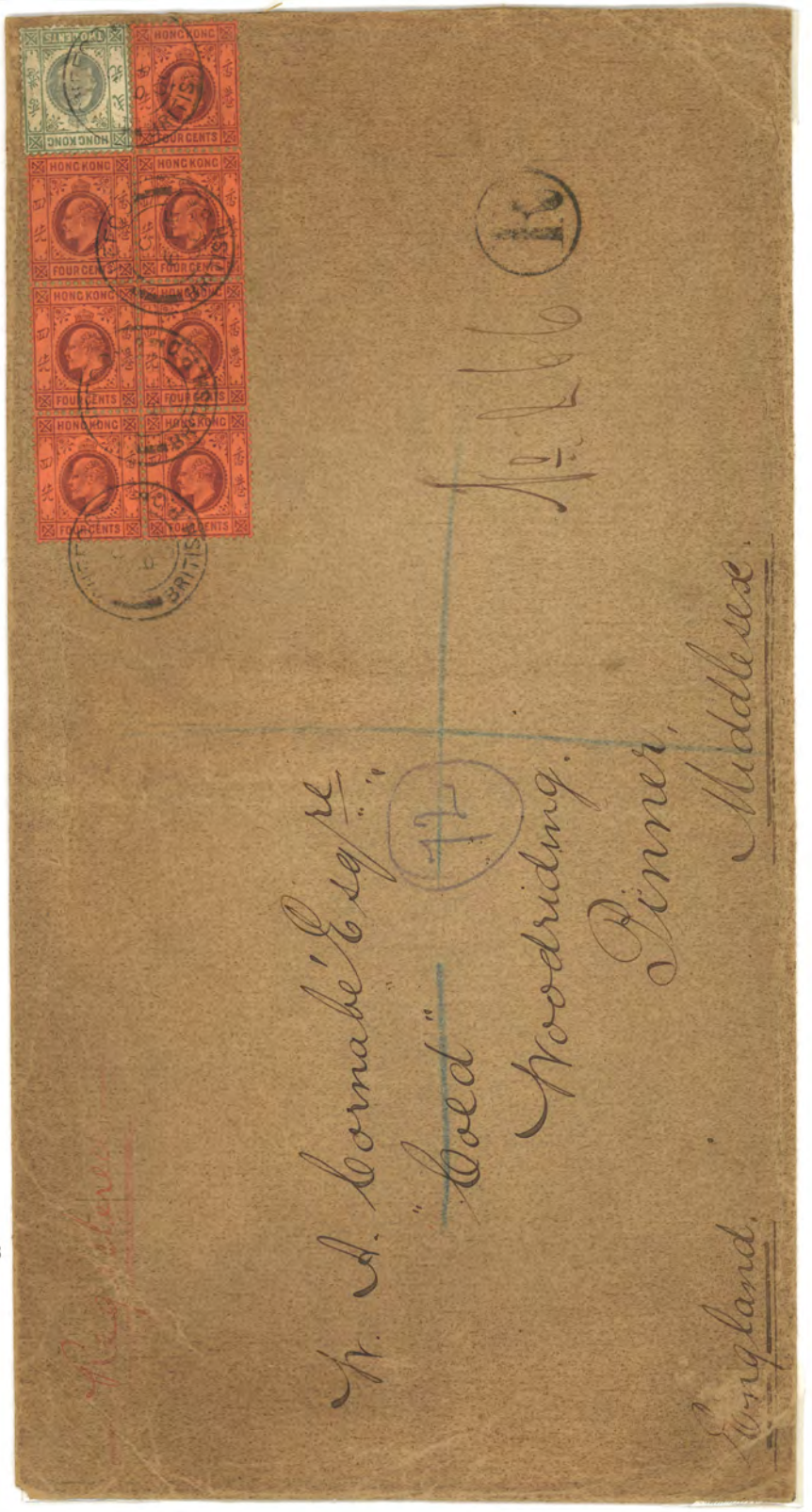
CHEFOO BRITISH P.O. Double-ring datestamp

On 1 JAN 1903,
the British postal
agency at Chefoo
was established.
It remained open
until 30 Nov. 1922.



1906 double-rate
registered cover
(20¢ per oz. plus 10¢
registration fee)
from Cornabe & Co.

Webb type A datestamp
in use from Jan. 1903
to Sept. 1916
Also showing is the
Circular R registration
marking of Chefoo,
recorded from Apr. 1903
to July 1907.



2427

2428

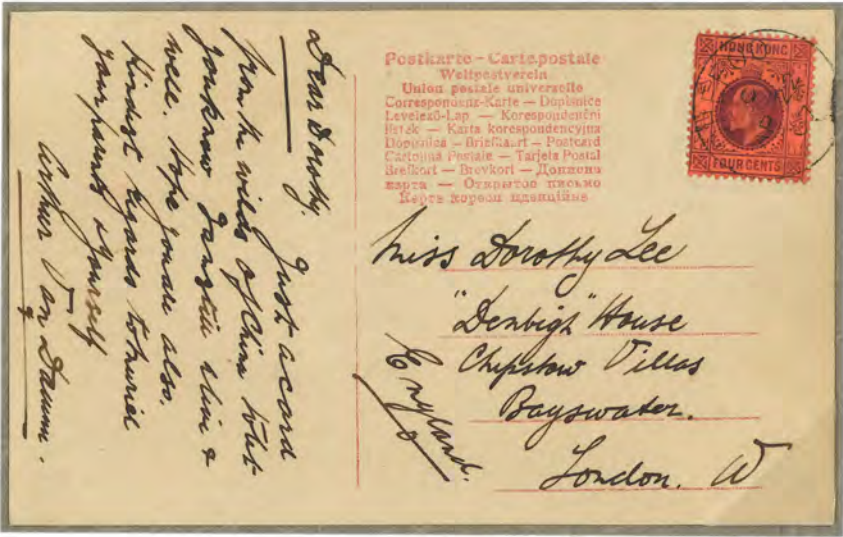
1907 Chefoo (22 Apr) to England. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by extremely scarce Chefoo BPO Webb type B cds. Webb recorded that this cds was only recorded on 4 adhesives. Dr. Andrew Cheung, however, recorded two examples on postcards in which it is the earliest and the only outgoing one. 1907. 4. 22 煙台寄英國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷極少見之煙台英局Webb B型日戳。Webb記錄中，此戳僅見於四枚舊票上。張文德醫生則記錄有兩件圖片明信片例子，此為兩者中日期最早，兼是唯一一件出口者。

Estimates HK\$ 30,000 - HK\$ 60,000

CHEFOO

The single-ring CHEFOO datestamp

This was sent out from London on 11 Jan. 1907 along with all the 25 mm Treaty Port datestamps but unlike other ports, it was rarely taken into use. Webb type B is recorded from 2 Apr. 1907 to 13 Aug. 1913 on less than ten adhesives two postcards.



ex. London GPO Proof book impression

22 April 1907 picture postcard from Chefoo to London. Sent on 25 April by ship *Kweiyang* to Hong Kong. *P&O Arcadia* 4 May HK via Brindisi to England arrived 2 June. The trans-Siberian route was closed at this time.

April 30.
Hohenstaufen, German str., 4,075, F.
Jaeger, Hamburg March 21. and Singapore
April 25, General. — HAMBURG AMERIKA
LINE.
Kweiyang, British str., 1,040, M. Dawson,
Newchwang and before April 25, General.
— BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Earliest recorded use, only recorded example on outward mail*

*One inward MY 14 07 picture postcard is known from Tientsin to Kent, England endorsed via Siberia with type B used as a transit c.d.s. dated MY 15 07 found in 2018.

2429

1913 Chefoo (10 Dec) to Hungary. Hong Kong KGV 10c registered stationery cover (size F), uprated by KEVII 6c + KGV 4c, tied by Chefoo BPO Webb type A cds, alongside with “CHEFOO B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit London (25 Dec). Arrived Verbo (27 Dec).
1913. 12. 10 煙台寄匈牙利。香港佐治五世10仙掛號郵資封（size F），加貼愛德華七世6仙 + 佐治五世4仙，銷煙台英局Webb A型日戳，旁鈐“CHEFOO B. P. O.”掛號橫戳。12. 25經倫敦。12. 27抵Verbo。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2430

1922 Chefoo (27 Nov) to England. Registered cover, f.w Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 1c + 8c x3, tied by Chefoo BPO Webb type C cds., alongside with “CHEFOO B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Transit Hong Kong (5 Dec), London (8 Jan). Arrived Colchester (8 Jan). Dated just 3 days before the closure of Chefoo BPO (30 Nov). Ex- D’Almada.
1922. 11. 27 煙台寄英國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 1仙 + 8仙x3，銷煙台英局Webb C型日戳，旁鈐“CHEFOO B. P. O.”長方形掛號戳。12. 5經香港，1. 8經倫敦。1. 8抵Colchester。於煙台英局關閉（11月30日）前三天寄出。D’Almada舊藏。

Estimates HK\$ 4,000 - HK\$ 6,000

Boxed Registration Handstamp



2429

10 Dec. 1913 registered letter to Hungary showing Webb type A datestamp and the boxed registration handstamp which is recorded from Mar. 1908 to 30 Nov. 1922. Verbo arrival 27 Dec.



27 Nov. 1922 registered letter to England posted three days before closure showing the boxed handstamp Also showing is the second double-ring **BRITISH POST OFFICE CHEFOO** c.d.s. Webb type C which is recorded from Feb. 1916 to 30 Nov. 1922. Ex. D’Almada

2430

LIU KUNG TAU AND WEI HAI WEI

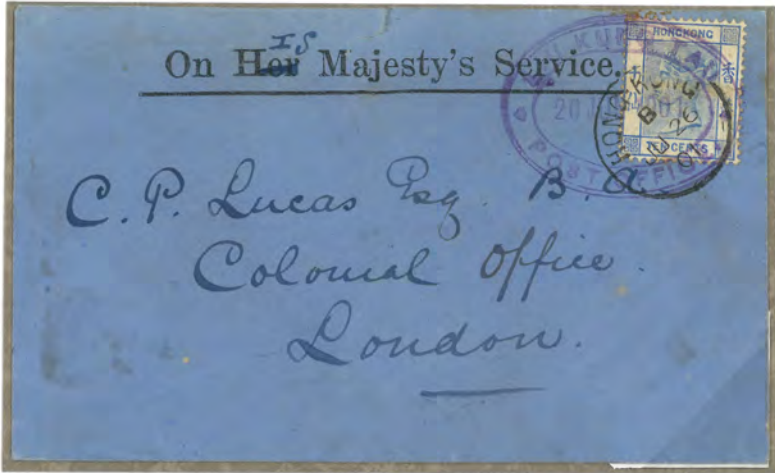
劉公島與威海衛



WEI HAI WEI

The LIU KUNG TAU oval datestamp

An agent was appointed to operate a post office which was opened on 1 Sept. 1899. A rubber oval handstamp similar to the style used by merchants at that time was introduced as a cancellator.



2431

20 June 1901 letter to London sent by private ship to Hong Kong and by French Packet *SS Sydney* to Naples and then London. Webb type A is recorded from Sept. 1899 to Sept. 1901.



28 Feb. 1900 penny postcard from London showing the LIU KUNG TAU oval used as a receiving datestamp. Sent by British Packet *P&O Issis* to Port Said, *P&O Australia* to Colombo and *P&O Bengal* to Hong Kong arriving on 29 Mar. Contract steamer to Wei Hai Wei.

2432

2431
1901 Liu Kung Tau (20 Jun) to England. OHMS cover, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb type A oval d.s. in violet. Transit Hong Kong (26 Jun) and applied cds on adhesive. The earliest record of this d.s. by Webb was Sep 1899.
1901. 6. 20 劉公島寄英國。OHMS封，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷劉公島英局Webb A型橢圓紫色日戳。6. 26 經香港，貼票再銷香港日戳。Webb記錄中，此橢圓日戳之最早日期為1899年9月。
Estimates HK\$ 18,000 - HK\$ 30,000

2432
1900 England (28 Feb) to Weihaiwei. Britain 1d PSC, tied by London squared circle d.s. Transit Hong Kong (10 Apr). Arrived Liu Kung Tau (10 Apr) with scarce Webb type A oval d.s. in violet. Webb only recorded 4 examples of type A oval d.s. used as arrival d.s.
1900. 2. 28 英國寄威海衛。英國1便士郵資片，銷倫敦內圓外方日戳。4. 10經香港。4. 10抵劉公島，鈐珍罕難得之Webb A型紫色橢圓日戳。Webb記錄中，A型橢圓日戳用作到達戳者僅有四例。
Estimates HK\$ 18,000 - HK\$ 30,000

2433
1901 Liu Kung Tau (21 Oct) to England, f.w. Hong Kong QV 10c, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb type B cds. Transit Hong Kong (30 Oct). Arrived Chester (2 Dec). Early example of the type B cds.
1901. 10. 21 劉公島寄英國，貼香港維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷劉公島英局Webb B型日戳。10. 30經香港。12. 2抵Chester。為B型日戳之早期使用例子。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

2434
1903 Liu Kung Tau (19 Sep) to Germany. Hong Kong KEVII 10c registered stationery cover (size F), uprated by QV 10c, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb tpe B cds, alongside with circled R mark. Transit Shanghai BPO (22 Sep), Arrived Wallersdorf (30 Oct).
1903. 9. 19 劉公島寄德國。香港愛德華七世10仙掛號郵資封（size F），加貼維多利亞女皇像10仙，銷劉公局英局Webb B型日戳，旁鈐帶圈R章。9. 22經上海英局。10. 30抵Wallerdsdorf。
Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

WEI HAI WEI

22 mm LIU KUNG TAU datestamp

Two similar datestamps were sent from London on 25 Nov. 1899 and were taken into use from Sept. 1901 onwards. The index letter was removed from 1901 to 1903.



21 Oct. 1901 letter to England sent by contract steamer to Hong Kong arriving on 30 Oct. French Packet SS Salazie to Naples. London arrival 1 Dec. Cover shows early usage of Webb type B datestamp without the index letter. This c.d.s. also known as Proud type D2 is recorded from Sept. 1901 to Oct. 1906.



19 Sept. 1903 registered letter to Germany sent by German mailboat via Shanghai showing Proud type D2 datestamp. Also showing is the circular R registration mark recorded from Sept. 1901 to July 1907.

2435

1907 Liu Kung Tau (4 Feb) to England. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb type B index A cds. Transit Hong Kong (11 Feb). Early type B cds are mostly without index but index A, B and C begun in 1904. The “7” single year digit is also unrecorded before.

1907. 2. 4 劉公島寄英國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷劉公島英局Webb B型A字日戳。2. 11經香港。早期之B型日戳並無字母，但在1904年起可見A、B及C字。此戳之單位數年份 “7” 更是先前未有記錄。

Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

2436

1908 Liu Kung Tau (13 Feb) to England. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb type C cds. Transit Chefoo BPO (15 Feb). Showing “Via Siberia” annotation. This card was sent via Chefoo to Dairen for Siberia.

1908. 2. 13 劉公島寄英國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷劉公島英局C型日戳。2. 15經煙台英局。寫有“Via Siberia”批示。此信經煙台至大連以接駁西伯利亞鐵路。

Estimates HK\$ 700 - HK\$ 1,500

2437

1923 Liu Kung Tau (31 Dec) to England. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 10c registered stationery cover (size G), uprated by 2c in pair, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb type C cds, alongside with scarce “LIU KUNG TAU B.P.O.” boxed registered mark. Arrived England (11 Feb).

1923. 12. 31 劉公島寄英國。香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 10仙掛號郵資封（size G），加貼2仙雙連，銷劉公島英局Webb C型日戳，旁鈐少見之“LIU KUNG TAU B. P. O.”長方形掛號章。2. 11抵英國。

Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2438

1905 Weihaiwei (10 Mar) to England. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Port Edward BPO Webb type F rectangular d.s. Transit Shanghai BPO (13 Mar) for sea route due to the closure of Trans-Siberian Railway. Arrived London (20 Apr).

1905. 3. 10 威海衛寄英國。圖片明信片，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷愛德華港英局Webb F型方形日戳。3. 13經上海英局。4. 20抵倫敦。此片因西伯利亞鐵路關閉而經上海走海路。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

2439

1905 Bermuda (27 Mar) to Weihaiwei. Picture postcard, f.w. Bermuda 1d, tied by San Francisco (27 Mar) wavy line d.s. upon transit. Transit Shanghai Chinese PO (21 Apr), Shantung (25 Apr). Arrived Port Edward BPO (25 Apr) with Webb type F d.s. in black. Very scarce origin.

1905. 3. 27 百慕大寄威海衛。圖片明信片，貼百慕大1便士，3. 27經三藩市並銷票。4. 21經上海清郵，4. 25經山東。4. 25抵愛德華港英局，鈐Webb F型黑色方形日戳。極為少見難得之始發地。

Estimates HK\$ 2,000 - HK\$ 4,000

WEI HAI WEI

22 mm & 25 mm LIU KUNG TAU datestamps



2435

4 February 1907 postcard to England sent via Hong Kong showing the second 22 mm LIU KUNG TAU datestamp with index letter A. The time code system was introduced in 1904 with index letters A, B and C. Proud type D3 is recorded from Nov. 1901 to Feb 1907. **Previously unrecorded usage of single "7" year-slug.**

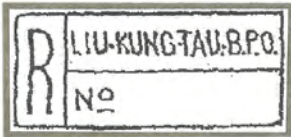


1908 postcard shows the 25 mm datestamp sent from London on 11 Jan. 1907. This card was sent via Chefoo to Dalny connecting the Trans-Siberian Railway after its re-opening in 1907. Webb type C is recorded from Apr. 1907 to June 1924.

2436

WEI HAI WEI

LIU KUNG TAU Boxed Registration Handstamp



31 Dec. 1923 registered letter to London showing the this boxed registration marking which is recorded from 13 Aug. 1908 to 21 Sept. 1930.

Also showing is the 24 mm Liu Kung Tau datestamp Webb type C which is recorded from 14 April 1907 to 30 Aug. 1926. The rate is made up of 4¢ per ½ oz. Empire rate plus 10¢ registration fee.

2437

WEI HAI WEI

The PORT EDWARD boxed handstamp

The sub-post office at Port Edward was opened on 1 Apr. 1904. This rubber rectangular boxed handstamp was introduced in June 1904 and used up to May 1908.



10 Mar. 1905 postcard to England showing an example this handstamp. Sent by steamer to Shanghai and by mailboat to England due to closure of the trans-Siberian railway.



1905 incoming postcard from Hamilton, Bermuda via San Francisco to Shanghai and sent by Chinese post office to Shantung. Port Edward handstamp as an arrival marking.

2439

2440
1906 Weihaiwei (26 Mar) to Shanghai. Hong Kong KEVII 10c registered stationery cover (size F), uprated by 1c + 5c + 10c, tied by Port Edward BPO Webb type F rectangular d.s. in deep violet, alongside with type R1 registered mark. Latest dated one of the 3 examples with type R1 registered mark. Ex- Burghard.
1906. 3. 26 威海衛寄上海。香港愛德華七世10仙掛號郵資封（size F），加貼1仙 + 5仙 + 10仙，銷愛德華港英局Webb F型深紫色方形日戳，旁鈐R1型長方形掛號章。為R1型掛號章三件存世例子中最晚的一件。Burghard舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 20,000 - HK\$ 36,000

2441
1914 Weihaiwei (19 Jan) to Peking. Hong Kong KGV 10c registered stationery cover (size F), uprated by 4c, tied by Weihaiwei BPO Webb type G cds., alongside with 2nd type of registered mark. Transit Tientsin Chinese PO (5 Feb). Arrived Peking (8 Feb). One of the 5 examples of type R2 registered mark.
1914. 1. 19 威海衛寄北京。香港佐治五世10仙掛號郵資封（size F），加貼4仙，銷威海衛英局Webb G型日戳，旁鈐R2型長方形掛號章。2. 5經天津中國郵局。2. 8抵北京。為R2型掛號章之五件存世例子之一。
Estimates HK\$ 20,000 - HK\$ 36,000

WEI HAI WEI

PORT EDWARD Boxed Registration Handstamps



26 Mar. 1906 registered letter with Webb type F boxed handstamp showing the first boxed registration marking, the earliest known date is 30 Sept. 1904 and this is the latest recorded date. Ex Burghard.

One of three recorded
2440



19 Jan. 1914 registered letter to Peking with Webb type G showing the second boxed registration marking which is recorded from 18 Jan. 1911 to 1 Jun. 1917.

One of the five recorded
2441

2442
1924 Weihaiwei (30 Oct) to England. Registered cover, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 2c + 4c x3, tied by Weihaiwei BPO Webb type H cds., alongside with type R3 “PORT EDWARD” registered mark. Arrived London (15 Dec).
1924. 10. 30 威海衛寄英國。掛號封，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 2仙 + 4仙x3，銷威海衛英局Webb H型日戳，旁鈐R3型 “PORT EDWARD” 長方形掛號章。12. 15抵倫敦。
Estimates HK\$ 6,000 - HK\$ 15,000

2443
1912 Weihaiwei (4 May) to Tientsin, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c for inter-treaty port rate, tied by Weihaiwei BPO Webb type G cds. Transit Tientsin BPO (8 May). Arrived CEF Base Office (8 May).
1912. 5. 4 威海衛寄天津，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，合商埠間郵資，銷威海衛英局Webb G型日戳。5. 8經基地郵局，同日抵英國遠征軍基地郵局。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 3,000

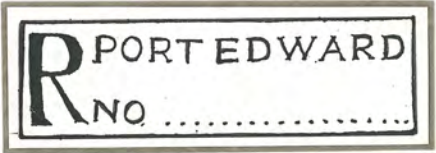
2444
1909 Tientsin (18 Oct) to Weihaiwei. Picture postcard, f.w. Coiling Dragon 2c, tied by Tientsin bisected bilingual cds. Transit Weihaiwei Chinese PO (22 Oct). Arrived Weihaiwei BPO (22 Oct) with Webb type G cds in brown.
1909. 10. 18 天津寄威海衛。圖片明信片，貼蟠龍2分，銷天津半切漢英日戳。10. 22經威海衛中國郵局，同日交威海衛英局，鈐Webb G型棕色到達戳。
Estimates HK\$ 3,400 - HK\$ 4,000

2445
1904 Weihaiwei (2 Aug) to Japan. OHMS cover, f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Port Edward BPO Webb type F rectangular d.s, alongside with Proud type UP1 circled T mark as the correct rate should be 10c. Transit Liu Kung Tau BPO (3 Aug), Shanghai BPO (9 Aug), Yokohama (18 Aug). 2s of postage due was levied upon arrival. Ex- D’ Almada.
1904. 8. 2 威海衛寄日本。OHMS封，貼香港愛德華七世4仙，銷愛德華港英局Webb F型方形日戳。正確郵資應為10仙，故鈐Proud UP1型帶圈T章。8. 3經劉公島英局，8. 9經上海英局，8. 18經橫濱。到達抵判罰2錢欠資。D’ Almada舊藏。
Estimates HK\$ 5,000 - HK\$ 8,000

2446
1930 Liu Kung Tau (12 Sep) to Hong Kong, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 4c, tied by Liu Kung Tau BPO Webb type cds., alongside wrongly applied with Proud type UP2 circled T mark and crossed-out after-ward.
1930. 9. 12 劉公島寄香港，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 4仙，銷劉公島英局日戳，誤鈐Proud UP2型帶圈T章但隨後被劃去。
Estimates HK\$ 3,000 - HK\$ 5,000

WEI HAI WEI

PORT EDWARD Boxed Registration Handstamp



30 Oct. 1924 registered letter to London showing the third boxed registration marking which is recorded from 22 Jul. 1918 to 18 Aug. 1930.
Also showing is the 24 mm Port - Edward datestamp Webb type H which is recorded from 28 Oct. 1917 to 30 Sept. 1930. The rate is made up of 4¢ per ½ oz. Empire rate plus 10¢ registration fee.

2442

WEI HAI WEI

26 mm PORT EDWARD datestamp



4 May 1912 letter from Wei Hai Wei to Tientsin franked 4¢ inter-Treaty Port rate. Tientsin British Post Office 8 May and Base office B arrival. Webb type G is recorded from Apr. 1907 to Nov. 1920.

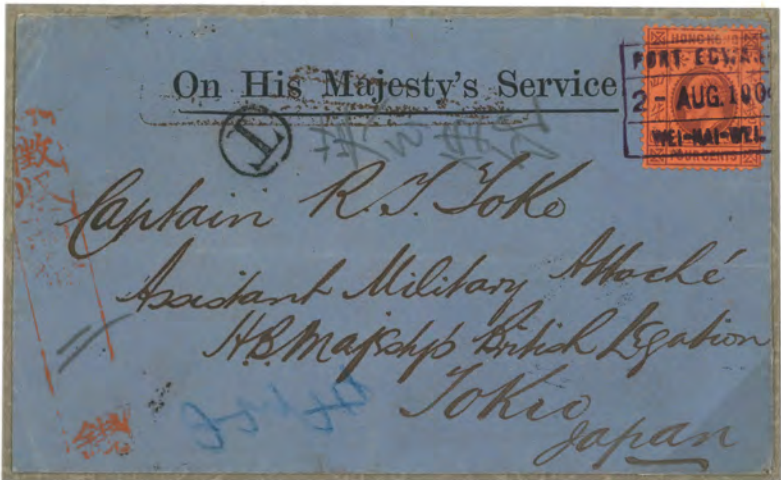


18 Oct. 1909 postcard from Tientsin to Wei Hai Wei sent by Chinese post office. Port Edward Webb type G used as arrival marking and bilingual Wei Hai Wei lunar calendar c.d.s. of Chinese post office recorded by Goldsmith & Goodwyn as type 11.

2444

WEI HAI WEI

Circular T marking



2 Aug. 1904 underpaid letter to Tokyo sent via Shanghai. 4¢ was the British Empire rate and the correct rate should be 10¢ for a ½ oz. letter to a foreign country. 11.5 mm circular T, Proud type UP1 applied at Port Edward. 2 sen postage due on arrival. Ex. D'Almada



12 Sept. 1930 underpaid letter to Hong Kong franked the correct 4¢ rate but with the Liu Kung Tau circular T marking Proud UP2 applied by error and crossed out.

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2447
1927 Weihaiwei (24 Oct) to Germany, f..w Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 4c, tied by Weihaiwei BPO cds., alongside with scarce large circled T mark. One of the two recorded examples of this large T mark.
1927. 10. 24 威海衛寄德國，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 4仙，銷威海衛英局日戳，旁鈐少見之大型帶圈T章。為該T章之兩件存世例子之一。
Estimates HK\$ 6,000 - HK\$ 15,000

2448
1923 Weihaiwei (11 Jul) to Shanghai. Picture postcard, f.w. Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 2c, tied by Weihaiwei BPO Webb type H index E cds.
1923. 7. 11 威海衛寄上海。圖片明信片，貼香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 2仙，銷威海衛英局Webb H型日戳。
Estimates HK\$ 1,200 - HK\$ 2,500

2449
1930 (1 Oct) Hong Kong KGV ovpt. CHINA 1c, 2c, 4c, 8c and 10c on piece, tied by Weihaiwei BPO last day cds as the Crown Colony of Weihaiwei was returned to China on that day. Historical.
1930. 10. 1 香港佐治五世加蓋CHINA 1仙、2仙、4仙、8仙及10仙剪片，銷威海衛英局尾日日戳。威海衛在當天歸還中華民國。
Estimates HK\$ 1,000 - HK\$ 2,000

WEI HAI WEI

Large Circular T marking



24 October 1927 underpaid letter to Germany franked 4¢ Empire rate; the correct rate should be 10¢. No postage due on arrival. Large 28.5 mm circular T mark with serif. Unrecorded previously.

One of two examples recorded

2447

WEI HAI WEI

24 mm PORT EDWARD datestamp



11 July 1923 postcard to Shanghai franked 2¢ local postcard rate which was introduced in 1923. Webb type H datestamp with index letter E is recorded from 28 Oct. 1917 to 30 Sept. 1930.

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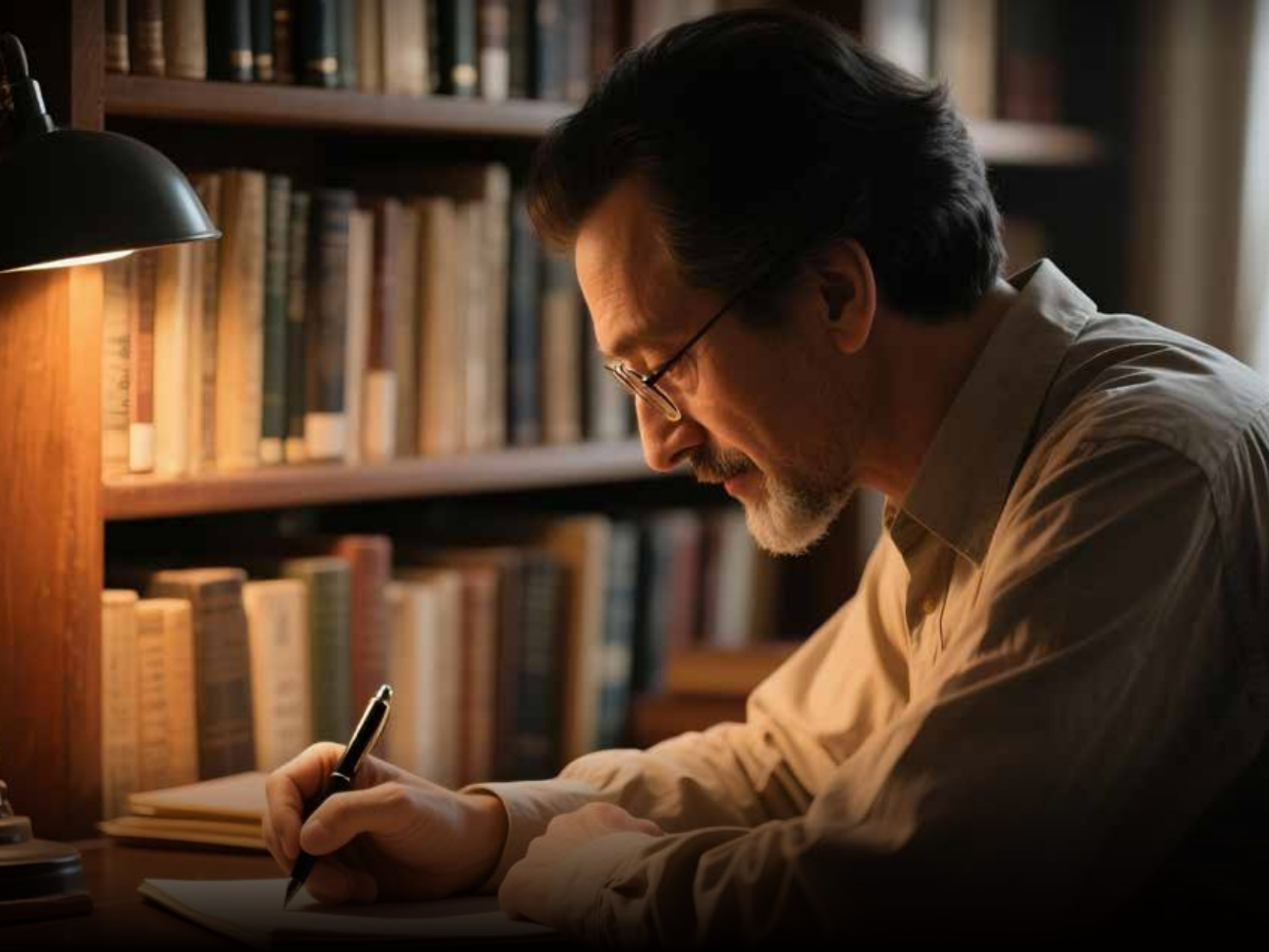
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On 1 October 1930, the Crown Colony of Wei-Hai-Wei was returned to China

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