



Stephen Yen's "Via Siberia" Mail Service & Hung Hsien Empire Postmarks Collections

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5001 A group of Siberia concerning items, comprising Embossed Eagle & Dragon post card used from Russian Post Office Chefoo in 1899 to Parchim, early period cover front from Russian Post Office Tientsin to France with Russian instruction handstamp "Via Port Arthur to Siberia", an unused picture post card 「Panorama Transsiberiene」 issued at Exposition Universelle de 1900 and relevant clips from early newspapers and magazines relating to the construction & guarding of the trans-Siberian railway, using ferry to carry train across Lake Baikal etc. (2 cards, 1 front & 6 clips). 一組西伯利亞相關郵品,包括明信片2枚,西式封封面1枚及剪報7枚。其中1899年明信片自煙台寄德國,印有俄國雙頭鷹及中國龍浮雕圖,貼俄國客郵

Note: On 19 May 1891 the Tsarevich Nicholas officially laid a stone at Vladivostok, as a prelude to what was called the "first great enterprise of the 20th century", heralding the "longest railway in the world" over 5,000 miles in length. The Tsar had made known his ambition to build a railway connecting Moscow with Peking, and in connection with the Paris International Exhibition of 1900, when the Trans-Siberian Railway was almost completed, a publicity postcard captioned "PANORAMA TRANSSIBÉRIEN" was designed with a caption at the bottom "DE MOSCOU A PÉKIN (CAMPEMENT KIRGHIS PRÈS DE TOMSK"). China and major western powers were engaged in the Boxer Movement of 1900 and this gave Russia the opportunity to enter Chinese Northeastern Provinces to complete the Chinese Eastern Railway, from Manchouli to Vladivostok and from Harbin to Dairen.



5002 1902 (Feb 10) picture post card from German Post Office Hankau to Bruxelles with 1902 (Mar 1) arrival c.d.s., only 19 days transit time, probably carried via Siberia. Very early mail via Siberia. VF-F.



5003 1902 (Mar 21) cover from Russian Post Office Chefoo to Haspe Germany (Apr 13 backstamp), manuscript instruction 「Via Siberia」 at top, very early example of 「Via Siberia」 cover. Rare. VF-F.













5004 1902 (Apr) Imperial 1st Postal Card uprated with CIP 4c, from Tsinan used to Germany, cancelled circular TSINAN/POST OFFICE handstamp, addressed to Weimar Germany (2.5.02 arrival c.d.s.) transit via Kiaochow and Tsingtau with German Post Office Tsingtau cancelling Kiautschou 20 pf stamp, endorsed 「Via Siberia」. This is early example of Chinese Post Office handling 「Via Siberia」 mail. VF-F.

1902年4月清一次片自濟南經西伯利亞寄德國,加貼蟠龍4分1枚,混貼德國膠州客郵20芬尼1枚,分別銷濟南郵政局無日期半切戳及青島膠州德國客郵局













1902 & 1903 two covers with Russian PO in China issues, one from Chefoo (1902 Nov 25) to England, via Russia, f.w. Russian PO in China 5k pair, tied 5005 by Chefoo Russian PO cds., with (Dec 5) Russian transit; the other from Shanghai registered to France, f.w. Russian PO in China 10k & 7k & 2k, tied by Shanghai Russian PO cds., along with Russian registered label and Shanghai registered cachet, on reverse with Russia transits and France arrival. This cover with damage at lower right. F-VF.

1902及1903年西式封2枚。一枚煙台(1902年11月25日)經俄國寄英國,貼俄國客郵5戈比雙連,銷煙台俄國客郵日戳,旁蓋俄國中轉戳(12月5日);另一枚 自上海掛號寄法國,貼俄國客郵10戈比、7戈比及2戈比各1枚,銷上海俄國客郵局日戳,旁貼俄文掛號標籤,蓋上海掛號戳,背蓋俄國中轉戳及法國



1902 (Dec 10) Shanghai to France postcard, via Siberia, f.w. French ovpt. "Chine" 10c, tied by Shanghai French PO cds., along with Moscow transit and France arrival. VF-F.

1902年12月10日上海經西伯利亞寄法國明信片,單貼法國客郵10生丁,銷上海法國客郵局日戳,旁蓋莫斯科中轉戳及法國到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,200



1902 (Dec 2) Picture post card from Liu Kung Tau, franked CIP 1/2c x 2 and Russian P.O. 2k pair, to England, respectively cancelled Liu Kung
Tau and Chefoo (12 DEC 02) c.d.s. with manuscript instruction [Via Port Arthur and Moscow] with Parkstone England JA 7 03 arrival. The recipient affixed
GB 1d and sent it back to the sender, with Shanghai FE 3 03 transit and Liu Kung Tau FE 16 03 arrival. VF-F.





50081903 two postcards from German PO in China, both f.w. German PO in China 10 Pf stamps, one from Hankow to Denmark, via Siberia, tied by Hankow German PO cds., along with Denmark arrival; the other from Shanghai to Germany, tied by Shanghai German PO cds., along with Germany arrival. VF-F. 1903年德國客郵明信片2枚。均貼德國客郵10芬尼票,一枚自漢口經西伯利亞寄丹麥,銷漢口德國客郵局日戳,旁蓋丹麥到達戳;另一枚自上海寄德國,銷上海德國客郵局日戳,旁蓋德國到達戳。上品。 *Start Price* **HK\$800**











5009 1903 postcard and cover with Russian PO in China issues, postcard: from Tientsin to France, via Siberia, f.w. Russian PO 2k block of 4 & 1k pair, tied by Tientsin Russian PO cds., along with Russian "Via Siberia" violet indicative cachet and Russia transit; cover: from Shanghai to England, f.w. Russian PO in China 10k, tied by Shanghai cds. London arrival on reverse, folded and flap missing. VF-F.

1903年俄國客郵明信片與西式封各一枚。明信片自天津經西伯利亞寄法國,貼俄國客郵2戈比4方連及1戈比雙連,銷天津俄國客郵局日戳,旁蓋俄文「經西伯利亞」紫色指示戳及俄國中轉戳;西式封自上海寄英國,單貼俄國客郵10戈比,銷俄文上海日戳,背有倫敦到達戳,中折及封舌丢失。

...... Start Price **HK\$1,000**













5010 1903 two covers from Russian PO in China, one from Tientsin registered to France, franked on reverse Russian PO in China ovpt 「KITAI」
10k & 7k & 5k & 2k & 1k & 3k × 2, tied by Tientsin Russian PO cds., on front with Russian registered label and indicative cachet "via Siberia"; the other from Shanghai to Holland, via Dalny, f.w. Russian PO in China ovpt 「KITAI」 2k, tied by Shanghai Russian PO cds., on reverse with Moscow transit. VF-F. 1903年西式封2枚。一枚自天津掛號寄法國巴黎,背面貼俄國客郵10戈比、7戈比、5戈比、2戈比、1戈比各1枚及3戈比2枚,銷天津俄國客郵局日戳, 正面貼俄文天津掛號標籤,蓋俄文指示戳「經西伯利亞」;另一枚上海經大連寄荷蘭,單貼俄國客郵2戈比,銷上海俄國客郵局日戳,背蓋莫斯科中轉戳。 上品。 Start Price HK\$1,200



5011 1903 (May 30) Picture post card written in Kiachta of Chinese Mongolia but had carried across border to Russian Post Office Troisksavsk for transmission, transit via Moscow with Eger arrival 03 (Jul 30). VF-F.





1903 postcard and cover with Russian PO in China issues, postcard: from Tientsin to France, via Russian, f.w. Russian PO in China 2k pair, tied by Tientsin Russian PO cds., along with France arrival; cover: from Shanghai to England, per "Mongolia", via Siberia, f.w. Russian PO 10k, tied by Shanghai Russian PO cds., on reverse with England arrival. VF-F.





Picture post card and cover dated July & October of 1903, franked with Russian postage, former registered usage to Copenhagen, latter to Vevey of Switzerland. Initially the Russian Post Office refused to carry mail items for UPU countries unless Russian Postage was paid. Card damaged at upper right, cover VF-F.





1903 (Jul 13) Hankow to Germany registered cover franked 6 Russian stamps, with endorsement [Per Trans-Siberian Railway via Dalny] with registration handstamp, transit via Shanghai, Moscow with Bodensburg 10.8.03 arrival. VF-F.

1903年7月13日漢口經大連、西伯利亞鐵路掛號寄德國封,貼俄國客郵10戈比2枚,5戈比1枚,2戈比2枚及1戈比1枚,銷上海俄國客郵局日戳,旁貼俄文上海掛號標籤,蓋漢口掛號戳及漢口半切始發戳,手寫標明「由西伯利亞鐵路經大連」,背蓋上海、莫斯科中轉戳及德國到達戳。上品。

art Price **HK\$1,500**









5015 1903 (Nov 7) Imperial 2nd Postal Card uprated with CIP 10c and 4c from Shanghai to Paris, purple handstamp RECOMMANDE PARTRANSSIBERIEN at top left, handled by French Post Office Shanghai 7 NOV 03, hand-drawn painting on reverse. (Note: French P.O. utilized its UPU member status and transmitted this card to Russian P.O. for onward delivery without additional payment of Russian postage). VF-F.

1903年11月7日清二次片自上海經西伯利亞掛號寄法國,加貼蟠龍4分及10分各1枚,銷上海漢英半切日戳,旁蓋上海掛號戳,上海法國客郵中轉戳,及紫色「經西伯利亞鐵路郵寄」法文指示戳。(注:法國郵局因其萬國郵聯成員身份,將該片轉交俄國郵局郵遞而無需付額外俄國郵資。)上品。

Start Price HK\$3,000









1903 (Nov) Shanghai registered to Scotland cover, via Siberia, franked on reverse Russian PO in China 10k × 2, tied by Shanghai Russian PO cds., along with England transit, on front with Russian registered label and Shanghai registered cachet. VF-F.





1903 Shanghai to France postcard and cover, both via Siberia, cover: f.w. French ovpt. "Chine" 15c, tied by CORR. D. ARMEES SHANG-HAI cds., on reverse with France arrival; postcard: f.w. French 5c, tied by Shanghai French PO cds. VF-F.





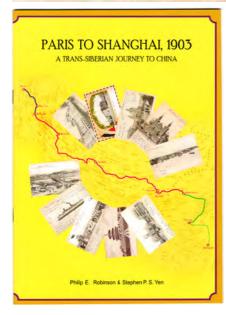


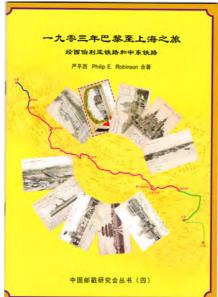














TPO 242, 198, 124 on same card



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5019 Collection of 90 picture postcards written by a Frenchman C.E. Tanant to his mother at Vosges France in 1903, when he travelled by train from France to Warsaw and boarded the Trans-Siberian Railway to Dalny, from there he went to Peking and Shanghai, continuing to send postcards to his mother, unwittingly recorded many scarce Train Post Office cancellations on such cards. Two copies each of the book recording this 1903 Paris to Shanghai journey in English and Chineese accompany this lot. (90+4 books)

Note: C. E. Tenant was an employee of the Chinese Maritime Customs, and took leave to visit his mother at Vosges France in 1903. He continued to work in China as Postal Commissioner of Yunnan Province, married a Chinese girl in 1911, transferred to Wenchow and retired in 1923.















"Via Siberia" mail service was interrupted with the setting up of Manchukuo in 1933 when Dutch & French airlines began to carry mail to Europe in place of Shanghai-Manchouli line e.g. 1934 cover Via AIR ORIENT.



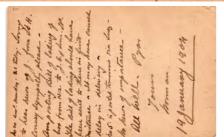




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Collection of covers/cards for the period 1903 to 1943, mainly to illustrate the diversity of origins and destinations of areas which enjoyed the benefit of "Via Siberia" mail service, inclusive of items sent via other routes when such service was suspended because of Russo-Japanese War (1904), World War I (1914) and setting up of Manchukuo (1933), interesting items include 1903 Tientsin to Russia with additional Russian stamps, 1912 Tientsin to France, 1913 Hankow to Russia via Kwangchengtse, 1926 Wuchang to Hamburg with censor marking, 1928 registered cover Harbin to Switzerland, 1929 Shanghai to Italy with censor tape, 1931 Harbin to Munich registered cover, 1934 airmail cover carried via AIR ORIENT, 1935 registered cover Nanking to Germany and 1943 registered cover Shanghai to Sweden with censor marking etc. (44 ITEMS)





















1904 two used postal cards, both via Siberia, one is QV 4 cents postal card, sent from Hong Kong to England, via Dalny and Siberia, tied by Hong Kong cds., the other is Great Britain & Ireland 1d postal card, sent from England to Korea then to Hong Kong, via Siberia, tied by England cds., forwarded to Singapore after arriving in HK, franked additionally Hong Kong 2c, tied by Hong Kong cds., along with Korea transit and Singapore arrival, on reverse with Hong Kong transit. VF-F.



5022 1904 (Jul 1) Russia to Tsinshi incoming postcard, f.w. Russian 4k stamp, tied by Russian cds., along with Russia, Shanghai French PO & Shanghai Chinese PO & Shasi transits and Tsinshi tombstone arrival. VF-F.





Note: Mail service was not totally interrupted, the Russian Post Office still delivered items with Russian Postage as far as possible.









5025 1904 (May 12) Imperial 2nd Postal Card uprated with CIP 10c and 1c x 3, from Shanghai registered to Germany, with Shanghai registration cachet and Weissenburg arrival c.d.s. Hand drawn painting on reverse. VF-F.





















1904 a group of 5 postcards of Russo–Japanese War, f.w. Russian, Japanese PO in China stamps and Hong Kong stamp. Ome card with stamp off, other VF-F.











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Appendix: Postcards from a Russian soldier serving in the Russo-Japanese War of 1904-05

Towards the end of the nineteenth century, both Russia and Japan wanted to have full control of the Chinese Northeast Provinces, for territorial expansion and for the rich natural resources. The completion of the Chinese Eastern Railway by Russia within the Chinese Northeast Provinces in 1903, connecting Manchouli with Suifenho and Vladivostok in the east-west direction, and Harbin with Port Arthur in the north-south direction, effectively hindered similar ambitions on the part of Japan.

Without prior warning, the Imperial Japanese Navy attacked the Russian fleet anchored at Port Arthur on 8 February 1904 and war was declared on 16 February. Russia also announced on February 16 that the Trans-Siberian Railway was to be temporarily closed.



Picture postcards of the Russo-Japanese War were prepared, most of which depict war scenes, some with both Russian and Japanese stamps cancelled by postmarks of the relevant post offices. The card at left depicts the Russian fleet anchored at Port Arthur in flames with thick clouds of smoke. (Fig. 1)



To ensure the prompt transfer of antillery and soldiers, the former were carried across Lake Baikal, on tracks laid on the thick ice. This artist's impression is rather imaginative, but tracks were centainly laid on the ice, on sleepers lengthened to spread the load, and although wagons were mostly pulled singly by horses, steam locomotives might also have been used. (Fig. 2)





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A small collection of 22 postcards: comprising 4 picture postcards of Russo-Japanese War, 12 picture post cards from the same Russian solider who had been sent to the Russo-Japanese War front in the Chinese Eastern Provinces some of which were dated 1904 when he was on train entering China whilst others were written in 1905 when he survived the War and being repatriated home on the Chinese Eastern Railway the contents of which have been compiled as a story appearing as Appendix to a book also included here, plus 6 further picture post cards from other Russian soldiers. (22 ppcs + 1 book) 一組22枚明信片:其中4枚記錄了日俄戰爭場景;另外12枚均來自一名被送去中國東北參加日俄戰爭的俄國士兵,其中一些是1904年他在去往中國的火車上所寫,還有一些則是1905年戰後士兵返鄉在東清鐵路上寫的,具體可參考書本附錄;餘下6枚明信片則來自其他俄國士兵。(22枚明信片+1本書)











Japanese Military Cancellations used during the Russo-Japanese War Period 1904-1906 Army F.P.O.













NOTE: Fig. 6 is reduced in size

EX Small assembly of 1904 Russo-Japanese War Army PO cancellations, 10 of Japanese origin and 1 of Russian origin, all on covers or post cards, an 11 page study paper in English accompanies the lot explaining the presence and duration of Japanese Field Post Offices in China at the time

of the Russo-Japanese War. (11 covers/cards + 11 page study paper). 一組1904年日俄戰爭軍隊郵戳小專集,當中包括10枚日本郵品和1枚俄國郵品,均蓋於信封或明信片上,另有11頁英文論文分析日俄戰爭中日本戰地郵局









5029 to Japan, both f.w. CIP issues, tied by Shanghai Lunar Year cds., along with Japan transit and arrival, both franked on picture sides

> 1905年上海寄日本日俄戰爭圖明信片2枚。均貼蟠龍票, 銷上海干支日戳,旁蓋日本中轉、到達戳,背面均貼日本菊切手, 銷「明治明治三十七八年戰役陸軍凱旋觀兵式紀念」戳。上品。

> > Start Price HK\$800











5030 1905 two postcards from China to Japan, one f.w. CIP stamps, tied by Shanghai Lunar Year cds., on picture side with Japane stamps tied by commemorative mark; the other sent via Japan military post, with Chihli Changli cds. VF-F.

> 1905年中國寄日本明信片2枚。一枚貼蟠龍票,銷上海干支日戳, 背面貼有日本票,銷「明治明治三十七八年戰役陸軍凱旋觀兵式 紀念」戳;另一枚為日本在華軍事郵便,蓋有河北昌黎干支日戳。 上品。 Start Price HK\$700





1905 (Jan) Harbin to Russia postcard, f.w. Russian 2k pair, tied by Harbin Russian cds., along with Russia arrival. VF-F.

1905年1月哈爾濱寄俄國明信片,貼俄國票2戈比雙連,銷哈爾濱俄文 日戳,旁蓋俄國到達戳。上品。 Start Price **HK\$500**









5032 1905 Tientsin to France postcard and cover, f.w. French PO in China 10c and French 15c respectively, both tied by Tientsin French \bowtie PO cds., along with France transit and arrival. VF-F.

1905年天津法國中國遠徵軍寄法國明信片與西式封各一枚,分別貼 法國客郵10生丁與法國票15生丁,均銷天津法國客郵局日戳,蓋有 法國中轉戳與到達戳。上品。 Start Price **HK\$700**













1905 a group of 3 postcards concerning Russo-Japanese War, two unused and one used, pictures are about the treaty of Portsmouth after the 1904–05 Russo-Japanese War. One card depicting The last Russian train departure from Anshanchan on 14 Aug, 1904 before Japanese Occupation. VF-F.

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1905 incoming postcard and cover, postcard: from England to Japan, via America, f.w. GB one penny, tied by GB cds., along with America transit and Japan arival; cover: from England to Tsingtau, f.w. GB one penny, tied by GB cds., on reverse with England & Tientsin & Shanghai & Hong Kong transits and Tsingtau arrival, finally redirected to Shanghai. VF-F.















5035 1905 red band cover franked 4 CIP stamps paying 20c international registered postage, from Kiaochow to Germany, cancelled Kiaochow lunar year c.d.s. (Nov 5 1905) with registration handstamp, transit via Shanghai and handled by Shanghai B.P. O.(NO 13 05), Frankfurt arrival 15.12.05 also on reverse. VF-F.



5036 1906 (May 29) Swatow picture postcard from Shanghai to Austria, franked on reverse CIP 4c, tied by Shanghai cds., on both sides with "SMS Panther" cachets, VF-F.

1906年5月29日汕頭風景明信片自上海寄奧地利,背面單貼蟠龍4分票,銷上海日戳,正背面蓋德國「豹號炮艦」戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$500



1907 (Jan 13) Kirin Kwanchengtze to Russia red band cover, f.w. CIP 5c × 2, tied by Kirin Kwanchengtze Lunar Year cds., on reverse with Shanhaikwan, Shanghai transits and Russia arrival. VF-F.



1907 (Jan 14) Imperial 1st Postal Card from Tzechuan to Germany, uprated by CIP 4C, tied by Shandong Tzechuan Lunar Year cds., along with Shanghai Chinese PO and British PO transits and Germany arrival. Twopunch holes at right, toned. F-VF.





1907 two postcards depicting the Russian Imperial Post, one used and the other unused, depicting that the imperial post is carried across remote tracts of Russia, by means of swift sleighs. A common danger is from attacks by wandering bands of Tartars, and to defend against these, the travellers and riders are heavily armed. VF-F.





1907 postcard and cover with Russian PO in China issues, used to Belgium or Austria, tied by Russian PO cds. VF-F.





















5043 1907 (May 3) Imperial 2nd Postal Card uprated with CIP 1c x 4 from Tzichuan to Germany. cancelled Tzechuan lunar year c.d.s., transit via Chefoo, Kiaochow and handled by French Post Office Shanghai with KIEL arrival 3.5.07. Manuscript endorsement 「Via Tsingtau uber Sibirien」 evidenced an early example of transmission via Siberia after official unannounced resumption of service. VF-F.





5044 1907 two postcards bearing CIP 4c stamp, from Peking and Tientsin to Europe, tied by bilingual bisected cds. VF-F.





5045 1907 a postcard and a cover to Europe, via Siberia, both f.w. Hong Kong KEVII 4c, tied by Shanghai British PO cds., via Siberia, to Switzerland and England respectively. VF-F.













5047 1908 a postcard and a cover to Europe, via Siberia, postcard: f.w. Hong Kong 4c, tied by Shanghai British PO cds.; cover: f.w. French ovpt. 4c on 10c, tied by Tientsin French PO cds., bearing "CORPS D'OCCUPATION DE CHINE R.F." double ring cachet in violet. VF-F. 1908年經西伯利亞寄歐洲明信片、西式封各一枚,明信片貼香港4先票,銷上海英國客郵局日戳,西式封貼法國客郵10生丁加蓋改值4仙票,銷天津法國客郵局日戳,蓋有 "CORPS D'OCCUPATION DE CHINE R.F." 雙圈紫色圓戳。 *Start Price* **HK\$700**













1909 three postcards, two sent to China and one sent from China, all f.w. Russian stamps, two sent from Russia to China, tied by Russian cds., one from Harbin to England, tied by Harbin Russian oval train PO datestamp. VF-F.















1910 Sweden to Hupeh Kingchow incoming cover, f.w. Swedish 20 ore, tied by Sweden cds., bearing Hankow German PO and Hankow Chinese PO and Shasi transits on reverse. VF-F. Kingchow arrival on front. VF-F.









1910 two postcards f.w. Russian issues used to Europe, tied by Harbin & Manchouli Railway Station oval datestamps. VF-F.









1910 two postcards f.w. Russian issues used to England or Russia, both tied by Harbin Russian oval Railway Station datastamps. VF-F.



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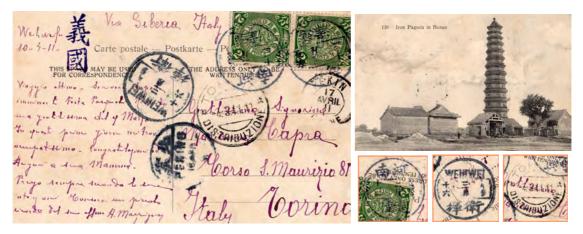
5053 1910 three used postcards to Europe, all via Siberia, f.w. CIP, French PO & Japan stamps, tied by Tientsin bilingual bisected cds., Chefoo French PO cds., and Nagasaki cds. respectively. CIP card with stamp off. VF-F.





5055 1911 Kansu Fukiang to Bavière cover, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 10c, tied by Kansu Fukiang Lunar Year cds., on reverse with Si an, Tientsin Chinese PO and French PO transits. VF-F.

1911年甘肅伏羌經西伯利亞寄巴伐利亞封,單貼蟠龍10分票,銷甘肅伏羌干支日戳,背蓋西安,天津中國郵局及法國客郵局中轉戳。上品。



5056 1911 Honan Yentsin to Italy postcard, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 2c pair, tied by Honan Yentsin Lunar Year cds., along with Weihwei, Peking transits and Italy arrival. VF-F.

1911年河南延津經西伯利亞寄意大利明信片,貼蟠龍2分2枚,銷河南延津干支日戳,旁蓋衛輝、北京中轉戳及意大利到達戳。上品。

... Start Price HK\$700



1911 (Nov 7) Peking to Scotland cover, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 10c, tied by Peking bilingual bisected cds., on reverse with Peking French PO transit and Scotland arrival. 13 days transit. Hsin Hai Revolution of Oct 10, 1911 did not affect mail delivery. VF-F.





5058 1912 (Jun 11) Shantung Fangtze to Russia postcard, via Siberia, f.w. CIP ovpt. ROC 1c × 4 on picture side, tied by Fangtze bilingual cds., with Tsinan, Moukden and Harbin transits. VF-F.





1912 (Jul 7) Imperial 4th Postal Card, from Tsinan to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 3c, tied by Tsinan bilingual bisected cds, on reverse with Fengtien transit. VF-F.

1912年7月7日清四次片自山東濟南經西伯利亞寄德國,加貼蟠龍3分票1枚,銷濟南漢英半切日戳,背蓋奉天中轉戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$1,000



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5060 1912 (Dec 6) Imperial 4th Postal Card overprint ROC 1c postal stationery card from Samshui to Italy, via Canton Yuan Nian Dec. 7 with Ancona arrival 3.1.13. Card stained at upper right. F-VF.













1912 a group of 3 incoming or outgoing postcards, via Siberia, one incoming from GB to Harbin, one from Shanghai British PO to Denmark, and one from Tientsin British PO to Australia. VF-F.





















5063 1911 (Jan 13) Imperial 4th Postal Card ovpt. ROC, used from Liangchowfu to England, via Siberia, transit via Lanchowfu (2nd year Jan. 17), Sian 24 JAN 13 and Tientsin 30 JAN 13. VF-F.





5064 1913 (Apr 4) Wuchow to America postcard, via Siberia, f.w. CIP ovpt. ROC 1c and 10c (one 3c stamp off and replaced by 10c stamp), tied by Wuchow bilingual bisected cds., along with Canton transit and Shanghai French PO transit, on reverse with Paris transit. F-VF. 1913年4月4日梧州經西伯利亞寄美國明信片,貼宋字蟠龍1分及10 分票(一枚3分掉票,後貼一枚10分票)各1枚,銷梧州漢英半切日戳, 旁蓋廣州府和上海法國客郵局中轉戳,背蓋法國巴黎中轉戳。 上中品。寄美國郵件不經日本而經西伯利亞者少。 Start Price HK\$500





5065 1913 Fangtze to Germany postcard, via Siberia, mixed franking with Republican commemorative issue 3c and CIP ovpt. ROC 3c, tied by Fangtze bilingual cds., on reverse with Moukden transit. VF-F. 1913年山東坊子經西伯利亞寄德國明信片,混貼共和3分票及楷字 蟠龍3分票各1枚,銷坊子英漢腰框日戳,背蓋奉天中轉戳。上品。

..... Start Price HK\$800





5066 1913 (May 5) Imperial 4th double Postal Card ovpt. ROC, reply card still attached, used to Germany from Swatow, transit via Shanghai 8 MAY 13, \boxtimes Moukden with Lichtental arrival 24.5.13. Very rare postally used 1c+1c double card. VF-F. 1913年5月5日清四次片加蓋「中華民國」雙片,回片仍然相連,自汕頭寄德國,加貼楷字蟠龍3分1枚,銷汕頭漢英半切日戳,旁蓋上海、奉天中轉戳

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1913 a **group of 3 incoming postcards, via Siberia,** one from Russia to Peking, two from GB to Shanghai or Nanking. VF-F.





1913 (Mar 17) Macau to Austria 1.5a Postal Card ovpt "REPUBLICA", via Siberia, uprated by Macau Carlos 10a, 1a & 2a, tied by Macau cds., along with Austria arrival. Part of address removed. VF-F.



1914 (Mar 2) Szechuan Changshou to England cover, f.w. CIP ovpt. ROC 5c pair, tied by Changshou bilingual cds., on reverse with Wanhsien, Hankow, Moukden transits and England arrival. VF-F.

1914年3月2日四川長壽寄英國封,貼宋字蟠龍5分票雙連,銷長壽英漢腰框日戳,背蓋萬縣、漢口、奉天中轉戳和英國到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,000







1914年西式封和明信片各一枚,西式封自哈爾濱寄倫敦,明信片自俄國寄上海,均蓋俄國檢查戳。封前面有剪開重新連件。片上品。

.... Start Price **HK\$600**









1914 two postcards with German Post in China issues, via Siberia to Germany, tied by Kiaochow Tsingtau German PO cds. and Tientsin German PO cds. respectively. VF-F.





5073 1914 (Dec) Vladivostok registered to Tientsin cover, franked on reverse with Russian 2k, 3k & 15k, tied by Vladivostok cds., on front bearing Russian registered label and registered cachet, along with Russian censored mark. VF-F.





5074 1914 (Dec 29) Russia Ivanovo registered to Switzerland censored cover, f.w. Russian 2k × 2 & 3k × 2, tied by Russian cds., along with Russian registered label, on reverse with censor marking, Switzerland transit and arrival. VF-F.

















1914 (Oct 10) Ichowfu to Denmark regsietered cover, via Siberia, franked on reverse Junk 3c × block of 6 & 1c pair, tied by Ichowfu bilingual cds., along with Shanghai, Pukow-Tientsin Railway PO, Tientsin, Peking-Moukden Railway PO, Russia transits and Denmark arrival. VF-F.





1914 (Sep 25) WWI Chita to Weihsien registered cover, f.w. Russian 10k × 2, tied by Chita cds., along with Chita registered label, Russian censored mark, Harbin & Tsinan transits and Weihsien arrival.







1915 WWI Russian postcard, British government cover, and German military cover, bearing Russian, British and German censored mark respectively. VF-F.











5079 1915 (Sep 2) Nanning to England ROC Flag Postal Card, via Siberia, uprated by Junk 2c & 1c, tied by Nanning bilingual bisected cds., along with Shanghai, Pukow-Tientsin Railway PO transits. The sender was Lechmere Cliff of Emmanuel Medical Mission. VF-F. 1915年9月2日五色旗郵資片自南寧經西伯利亞寄英國,加貼帆船2分、1分票各1枚,銷南寧漢英半切日戳,旁蓋上海、津浦行動郵局中轉戳。寄信人

為以馬內利醫藥傳道會傳教士祁理扶。上品。 Start Price HK\$1,200









1916 two postcards sent to Europe, one via Siberia and one via USA, both f.w. Junk, one from Shanghai to Sweden, bearing Peking-Moukden Railway 5080 PO transit, Russia transit, and Russian censored mark; the other from Peking to Italy, via America. VF-F.

1916年寄歐洲明信片2枚,分別經西伯利亞及美國,均貼帆船票,一枚上海寄瑞典,有京奉行動郵局中轉戳、俄國中轉戳和俄國檢查戳;另一枚北京經美國





















1916 a group of two WWI censored covers and a POW postcard, two covers from Russia to Europe, POW card from Tientsin to Russia. All with censor markings. VF-F.











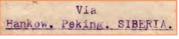






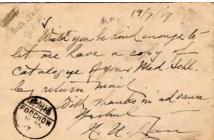






5084 1917 (Jan 16) Nanchang to England cover, via Siberia, franked on reverse Junk 1c × 10, tied by Nanchang bilingual bisected cds., along with Peking-Moukden Railway PO and Manchouil transits, on front with England arrival. VF-F. Although cover endorsed "Via Siberia" but it took 2 months to arrive. VF-F









1917 (Jul 19) ROC Junk 1c Postal Card from Foochow City to England, uprated by Junk 3c, tied by Foochow City bilingual bisected cds., along with Shanghai transit, on reverse with Foochow transit. VF-F.

1917年7月19日民國帆船1分郵資片自福州城寄英國,加貼帆船3分票,銷福州城漢英半切日戳,旁蓋上海中轉戳,背蓋福州府中轉戳。上品。









5086 1917 two WWI POW postcards, one single card and one double card sent from China, both tied by censored mark. VF-F.









1917 WWI censored postal card and cover, one from Shanghai to Switzerland with censor label and marking; one postal card with Tientsin censor mark.





1917 (Jun 28) stampless WWI Prisoner of War post card from Hardenwijk camp Holland, with purple handstamp, addressed to Taihoku (Formosa, Taiwan) with Tsuruqa transit 27.8.17, content written in Esperanto. VF-F.

Note: As World War I continued for a few years, people all over the world used Esperanto (international language) to correspond with pen pals from other countries to comfort each other and to fine actual situation in other parts of the world.





5089 1917 (Aug 12) WWI Italy to Switzerland censored cover, f.w.

Italian 5c & 20c, tied by Italian cds., on reverse with Switzerland arrival, sealed by censored label. VF-F.





















1917-18 two WWI censored covers, one from Greece to Switzerland, with Italian censored mark, and sealed by Italien censored label; the other from Russia registered to France, f.w. Russian 10k × 2, tied by Moscow cds., along with Russian censor mark. VF-F.



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1919 (Jul 13) Russia to Peking Taxed postal card, uprated by Russian 10k × 2, tied by Russian cds., along with ROC Postage Due 1c × 2, a "T" mark and Peking arrival. VF-F.

1919年7月13日俄國寄北京欠資郵資片,加貼俄國票10戈比2枚,銷俄國日戳,旁蓋「T」字欠資戳,加貼民國欠資郵票1分2枚,及北京到達戳。上品。

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1919 WWI picture post card from Far Eastern Republic to Taihoku (Formosa), message written in Esperanto, transit via Tsuruga 11.7.19. VF-F. 1919年一戰後期俄國遠東共和國寄台北明信片,貼俄國票50戈比,蓋俄國檢查戳和日本敦賀中轉戳,明信片以世界語寫就。上品。

...... Start Price **HK\$500**









5095 1919 two used postcards, one from Harbin to Russia, f.w. Russian 3k ovpt [3 cents"; the other from Peking to Finland, via Fushan, Yokohama and Canada, f.w. Japanese 4s, bearing Finland arrival. VF-F.

1919年明信片2枚,一枚自哈爾濱寄俄國,單貼俄國3分票;另一枚自北京經釜山,橫濱和加拿大寄芬蘭,單貼日本票4錢,蓋有芬蘭到達戳。上品。





5096 1920 picture post card from Chita Station to Taihoku (Formosa), with message written in Esperanto. VF-F.









1921 two postcards both bearing Shanghai BPO to CPO framed cachets, one from Djibouti to Shanghai; the other from France to Shanghai. VF-F. 5097







1921 two covers, one sent from Peking to Czechoslovakia on Apr 11, f.w. Junk 2c & 8c, tied by Peking bilingual cds., on reverse with Moukden transit; the other from Austria to Moukden, f.w. Austrian 5k, tied by Austria cds., along with Moukden arrival, franked on reverse uncanceled Austrian 2k, along with Shanghai BPO to CPO framed cachet. VF-F.

1921西式封2枚,一枚4月11日北京寄捷克斯洛伐克,正面貼帆船2分、8分各1枚,銷北京英漢腰框日戳,背蓋奉天中轉戳;另一枚7月30日奧地利寄奉天,貼奧地利郵票5克朗,銷奧地利日戳,旁蓋奉天到達戳,背面貼奧地利郵票2克朗,未銷戳,旁蓋上海英國客郵局交中國郵局方形戳。上品。

Start Price **HK\$600**



5100 1922 (Mar 23) Vladivostok to Shanghai cover, f.w. Russian 4k, uncanceled, along with Vladivostok cds., and a "T" mark, on reverse with Shanghai BPO to CPO framed cachet and Shanghai CPO arrival. VF-F.

























5102 1925 a group of 3 used postcards, one from Germany to Peking via Siberia, one from Ireland to Tsinan via Shanghai and one from Hankow to France, via Amoy. Good for comparison. VF-F.

1925年一組3枚實寄片,包括德國經西伯利亞寄北京進口片,愛爾蘭經上海寄濟南片及漢口經廈門寄法國片各一枚,很好的比較了各種郵路。



5103 1927 (May 26) cover from Sining to Tihwa, redirected to Calcutta via Siberia, addressed to Dr. Filchner, franked on reverse Junk 3c and 1c (damaged) canceled Sining cds. 26.5.27, originally addressed to Dr. Filchner, (Note 1) in Tihwa (26.6.27) with Tangar and Lanchow (2.6.27) transit cds (Note 2) but redirected to Kashgar and possibly held by the Post Office there for two months before redirecting to Calcutta with additional postage, probably affixed at top right corner of cover front but subsequently torn off, below which is a handstamp 「Complimentary Postage To Be Collected」 (Note 3). The redirected cover traveled along the Trans-Siberian Railway (Note 4) to Shanghai via Harbin, when a patriotic slogan handstamp 「Support Nationalist Government」 was applied at Shanghai, followed by a maritime trip to Bombay finally arriving Calcutta on 26 NOV 27 after traveling the greater part of Asia's perimeter (Note 5). Cover torn on front and one stamp with fault. F-VF.

Note 1 Dr. Wilhelm Filchner was a German explorer/geologist. Between 1903-05 he led a geological expedition in Tibet. Later he turned his attention to survey of the Antarctic continent leading an expedition in 1911. He then went back to his first love, the Tibetan Plateau. Between 1926-28 he led an expedition to chart the earth magnetic field on the Tibetan Plateau. This cover was addressed to him during this last expedition. He also published in 1928 a book (in German) on this expedition: On Mani Padme Hum: Meine China-und Tibet Expedition 1925-28.

Note 2 There was no direct route westwards from Sining to Tihwa of Sinkiang Province, mail had to be delivered eastwards via Tangar to reach Lanchow before turning west on the established inland route to Tihwa.

Note 3 The 4 cents postage indicated domestic postage within China, now that the cover had to be redirected "via Siberia", international postage would be applicable and the difference in postage was made up by additional stamps probably affixed at top right cover front below which is the handstamp requesting Calcutta office to collect the complimentary postage from the addressee.

Note 4 There was no transit cds to evidence the actual taken by this cover before its trip on the Trans-Siberian Railway, there are two likely possibilities, one of which was to exit Sinkiang at Ierhkoszetang and the other was to exit at Tacheng via Tihwa.

Note 5 There was, perhaps at a later date, a mail route from Southern Sinkiang to India but this route was not taken in this instance.











5104 1922-1929 a group of 2 covers to France and an incoming delivery receipt via Siberia, 2 covers from Hankow and Weihaiwei respectively, franked with Junk and commemorative issues, tied by corresponding cds. And the delivery receipt to Harbin with Manchouli cds. VF-F. 1922年至1929年一組2枚經西伯利亞寄法國封及1枚進口回執。2枚寄法國封寄自漢口及威海衛,貼帆船票及紀念票,帶英漢日戳。回執寄到哈爾濱蓋有









1928 (Sep 4) Junk 1c double postcard ovpt. "For Use in Sinkiang" used to Germany via Siberia, tied by Suilai bilingual cds, along with Wusu bilingual transit, along with "via Russia" mark. Reply portion of the double card unused. VF-F. 1928年9月4日帆船1角加蓋"限新省發寄"郵資雙片,經西伯利亞寄德國,銷綏來英漢日戳,旁蓋烏蘇中轉戳及"由俄國轉"指示章。回片未使用。上品。 Start Price HK\$2,000











1923-1928 a group of 3 incoming Chinese style cover, registered cover and declaraction form via Siberia, Chinese style cover from Chita Consulate of ROC, with Soochow transit. Registered cover from USSR to Tientsin with meter stamp. Declaraction form from Austria to Harbin with arrival. VF-F. 1923年至1928年一組3枚經西伯利亞進口中式封、郵資掛號封及報關表格。中式封寄自中華民國塔赤領事館,帶蘇州中轉戳。郵資封自蘇聯寄天津,

The Chinese Eastern Railway Incident of 1929.

Chinese Nationalist Government persuaded Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, then warlord of Northeast Provinces, to nationalize the Chinese Eastern Railway and acting upon such advice, Marshal Chang dismissed all Soviet heads of Chinese Eastern Railway departments and divisions and there were group firings of other Soviet workers, with about 60 deported to USSR and some 200 other held under arrest. Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang deployed 60,000 troops facing the Soviet frontier in preparation for Soviet retaliation.

On July 28 1929, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republic broke off diplomatic relationship with China. On September 7 1929 Soviet bombers bombarded Suifenho and initiated military conflict. Later in October, Soviet armies were victorious at several military engagements taking place at Fushan, Mishan and Suifenho. The decisive battle took place on November 27 1929 when Chinese armies stationed at Manchouli and Chalainoreh had been routed by Soviet army which went on to capture Hailer, forcing the young marshal Chang to sue for peace.









5107 1929 Chinese style cover to France via Siberia and registered cover to Germany via Canada, Chinese style cover from Chuchow to France, tied by Chuchow bilingual cds, along Shanghai transit and France arrival. Registered cover from Shanghai to Germany, with "via Canada" mark. The delivery took about 1 month to complete. VF-F.











5109 1925 and 1929 Shanghai to England covers via Siberia, one is Shanghai Municipal Council cover franked with Junk issues x 3, rate 10.5c, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds. Another is a registered cover franked with Junk and Unification commemorative issue of 25c, tied by Shanghai cds., along with London registerd mark as arrival. VF-F.









5110 1929 two covers to England by Paquebot in Hong Kong, both franked with commemorative issues of 10c, canceled by "Paquebot" mark, along with Hong Kong transit (dated Jun and Jul 1929 respectively). Both covers endorsed "Via Siberia" but actually a maritime postal route via Hong Kong was adopted. It witnessed the interruption of Siberian postal route due to the outbreak of Chinese Eastern Railway Incident. VF-F.









5111 1929 (Aug/Sep) two registered covers to Europe via Hong Kong, one express registered cover from Harbin to Germany, with Hong Kong transit, hand-written "Via USA" and Germany arrival. Another registered cover from Shanghai to Switzerland, with Hong Kong transit and Swiss arrival. Another example showing the interruption of Siberian postal route due to Chinese Eastern Railway Incident.













Germany - via Canada

1929 (Aug 28) Peiping Tsing Hua University to Germany registered cover, franked with Junk 1c and 30c on reverse, tied by Tsinghwayuan bilingual cds, along with Germany transit and arrival. On front with endorsement of "Via Canada". Another example of Canadian postal route to Europe during Chinese Eastern Railway Incident.





5113 1929 (Mar 31) red band cover from Ulanbator to Kalgan, franked with Mongolian issue of 5 mung and 20 mung on reverse, tied by Ulanbator cds., along with Kalgan arrival. On front with Junk issues of 10c, tied by Manchouli cds. By telling the date of the cancel, this cover should be held up until Chinese postage were affixed.





1930 (Feb 7) registered red band cover from Ulanbator to Kalgan, franked with Mongolian issues of 55 ming, tied by Ulanbator cds., along with Russian censor mark. On front franked with Junk issues of 16c, tied by Harbin bilingual cds. VF-F.





5115 1920s two covers to USA and Switzerland, via different routes, both franked with Junk and commemorative issues. One cover to USA bearing Pehtaiho
Beach cancel and handwritten "Via Moukden/Japan/USA". Another cover from a Christian Church to Switzerland bearing unclear cancel and handwritten
"Europe Via Siberia". An interesting comparsion.



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1928 (Apr 2) reigstered government Chinese cover from Harbin to Tihwa via Siberia, franked with Junk 20c ovpt. For Use in Ki-Hei, tied by Harbin bilingual cds., along with registered label and handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Tihwa arrival. Rare exmple of local government mail via Siberia as an international postal route. VF-F.



5117 1931 (Oct 26) Chaotung to England registered cover, franked with Junk ovpt. For Use in Yunnan in total of 80c, tied by Chaotung bilingual cds., along with Yunnanfu and Ami transit as well as registered label and handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Shanghai transit and England arrival. Interesting example of mail from Southwest China to England via Shangai and Slberia instead of Hong Kong or Indochina.

1931年10月26日雲南昭通寄英國掛號封,正面貼帆船票加蓋限滇省貼用票6枚,共郵資8角,銷昭通英漢三格戳,旁蓋雲南府及阿迷中轉戳、手寫英文 "經西伯利亞"字樣。背有河口、上海中轉戳及英國到達戳。沒有採用常見之印度支那或香港郵路,而由中國西南轉上海經西伯利亞到英國,有趣的例子。

Start Price HK\$2,000

On July 23, 1932 staff members of the Chinese Post Office evacuated from all post offices within the Northeast Provinces because the Japanese puppet government of Manchukuo had been set up earlier in March the same year. However, dutiful postal staff of the Chinese Post Offices still delivered mail as far as they can on a secretive personal basis with a Chinese language vertical handstamp to record actual date of delivery as illustrated by the following 3 lots.





5118 1931 (Jul 4) red band cover from Ulanbator to Kalgan, franked with Mongolian issues of 25 ming on reverse, tied by Ulanbator cds., along with bilingual Russian and Japanese censor handstamp and postage due handstamp. This cover was probably not official delivered but the cover was indeed received by addressee 1 year later according to the ROC datestamp on both sides. VF-F.





5119 1932 (Aug 19) Chinese cover from Ulanbator to Kalgan, franked with Mongolian issues of 25 ming on reverse, tied by Ulanbator cds., along with bilingual Russian and Japanese territorial police censor handstamp, Harbin arrival and Chinese Datestamp indicating the received day. VF-F. 1932年8月19日中式封自烏蘭巴托奇張家口,背貼蒙古票,銷烏蘭巴托日戳,旁有圓形紫色俄日警察雙語檢查章、哈爾濱到達戳及中文收件日期章。上品。









5120 1932 (Mar 9) red band cover from Ulanbator to Kalgan, franked with Mongolian issues 50 ming and Chinese postage due issues in total of \$1 on reverse, tied by Ulanbator and unclear Chinese cds respectively, along with Chinese datestamp indicating the received date. VF-F. 1932年5月9日紅條封自烏蘭巴托寄張家口,背貼蒙古票及共值1元之中國欠資票,分別銷烏蘭巴托日戳及不清晰之中國日戳,旁有中文收件日期章。上品。

Start Price HK\$2.000









5121 1932 (Jul 30) Socony Company cover from Nanking to Newchang, franked with Junk 5c on reverse, tied by Nanking bilingaul cds.

○ On front with "Northeast Provinces Post Office Sealed & Return to Sender" handstamp. The reason of the unsuccessful delivery is Chinese post office staff had already evacuated on 23 July 1932.



5122 1932 (Jun 18) incoming mail from New Zealand to Harbin, franked with New Zealand issues, tied by Rawene cds, along with Shanghai transit and "Service suspended / Return to Sender" handstamp. On reverse with Hong Kong, Shanghai transits and Wellington arrival after return. Cover opened for display. VF-F. Postal service to North East part was suspended due to the establishment of Manchukuo.



5123 1932 (Nov 21) Hankow to England registered airmail cover, franked with Junk and airmail issues in total of \$3.65, tied by Hankow bilingual cds.,

along with HANKOW registrerd mark (reverse "N" variety), airmail mark and "Saigon-Marseille" air route cachet. On reverse with Shanghai, Haiphong and Hanoi transits, VF-F.



1932 Dairen to Czechoslovakia airmail cover, via Siberia, franked with Japanese Tazawa issues 13s x 2, tied by Dairen IJPO cds., along with registered label, Hsinking IJPO transit and Prague arrival. On reverse also with Prague arrival. VF-F.



5125 1933 (Jan 26) Tientsin to Paris cover, via Siberia, franked with Junk issues in total of 29c, tied by Tientsin bilingual cds., along with "Via Siberie" label.

© On reverse with Paris arrival. VF-F.

1933年1月26日天津經西伯利亞寄法國封,貼帆船封共值2角9分,銷天津漢英日戳,貼有經西伯利亞郵路標籤。背有巴黎機蓋到達戳。上品。
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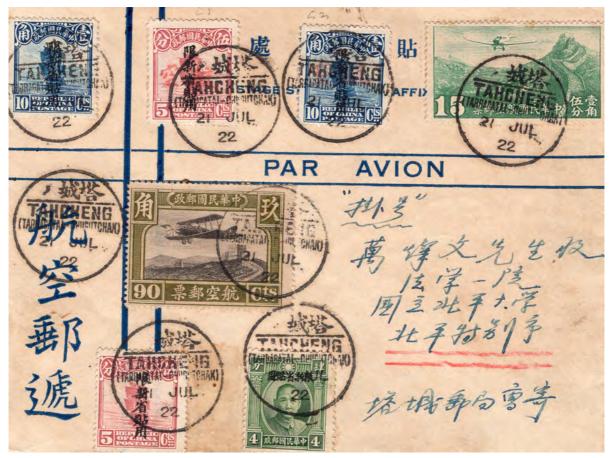


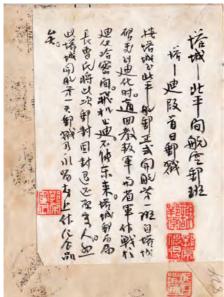
5126 1933-34 Jehol to England cover and US to Tientsin postcard, cover franked with Manchukuo Enthronement issues of 10.5 Fen, tied by Jehol Pingchuan cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia". Postcard franked with Amercian issues of 5c, tied by Dayton, Ohio cds. Address side with Tientsin arrival and "US Army / Chin Wang Tao" handstamp. VF-F.





5128 1933 (Feb 27) red band cover from Ulanbator to Kalgan, franked with Mongolian issues of 15 ming x 2 and Chinese postage due issues of 50c, tied by Ulanbator cds and Kalgan cds respectively, along with Manchouli transit. On front with Chinese datestamp indicating received day. VF-F. 1933年2月27日紅條封自烏蘭巴托寄張家口,背貼蒙古票及中國欠資票5角,分別銷烏蘭巴托日戳及張家口日戳,旁有滿州里中轉戳。正面蓋中文日期章顯示收件日期。上品。 *Start Price* **HK\$2,000**







Note 1: The setting up of Manchukuo in Chinese Northeast Provinces effectively cut off "Via Siberia" mail service because mail could no longer be delivered to the Russian Post Office at Manchuli. In an effort to connect Europe via Siberia, China National Aviation Corporation tried to establish an airline from Shanghai to Tihwa via Peiping with further extension to Tacheng in the hope that mail items could be exchanged with Russian Post Office at Tacheng or beyond. At around the same time, wooden overprint of "AIRMAIL" on junk stamps with Sinkiang overprintd were issued for use in Sinkaing, mostly used from Tihwa and Hami, only two examples of its use from Tacheng has been recorded, including this item.

5129 1933 (Jul 22) Tacheng-Tihwa FF cover to Peiping, franked with airmail issues, Junk and SYS ovpt. "For Use in Sinkiang" in total value of \$1.39, tied by Tahcheng bilingual cds., along with handwritten "registered" in Chinese. On reverse with several unclear backstamp covered by a notesheet introducing the aborted Taching-Tihwa First Flight. It is the one of the only two known covers recording this Tacheng-Tihwa First Flight and the use of Junk issues ovpt. Airmail in Tacheng. Extremely historical and legendary.

Note 2: Several plane crashes had resulted in establishing the Peiping-Tihwa air route and since alternative airmail services became available, operated by British, French and Dutch airlines, mail items to Europe began to travel southwards to Hong Kong or Canton to connect with such airmail services.



5130 1933 (Nov 18) Shanghai registered to France via Air Orient cover, franked with airmail, Junk and SYS issues in total of \$2.72, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with handwritten "Via Air Orient", "AIR MAILS" mark in red and registered label. On reverse with Singapore and France arrival. Rare airmail cover of Air Orient. VF-F.



1933 (Nov 27) Shanghai to Sweden airmail cover, via "Bandoeng-Amsterdam" Service, franked with SYS and Junk issues in total of 95c, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with registered label, airmail label and bilingual airmail mark. On reverse with Shanghai cds and Singapore transit. Excellent example of postal route via Dutch air service. VF-F.



5132 1934 (Jan 19) Shanghai to France cover, via Dutch Airmail Service, franked with airmail issues and martyrs issues in total of \$1.825 on reverse, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with Singapore transit and France arrival. On front with bilingual airmail mark and handwritten "Via Dutch Air Mail". Sender reqiured to use French airmail service but actually the Dutch service was used. Rare example of cover to France via Dutch Airmail Serivce. VF-F. 1934年1月19日上海經荷蘭航空寄法國封,背貼航空票及烈士票共值1元8角2分5釐,銷上海英漢日戳,旁蓋新加坡及法國到達戳。正有漢英空郵章及手寫英語之"由荷航經新加坡"字樣。寄件人原本要求以法國空郵服務,但實質卻使用荷航。寄件人寄法國封由荷航運送之例子少見。上品。

art Price **HK\$1,000**



5133 1934 (Mar 1) US to Hsinking Emperor Henry Pu Yi airmail cover, franked with US issues 5c, with Shanghai "Service Suspended / Return to Sender" handstamp. On reverse with Shanghai airmail slogan mark and red returned cds. Interesting returned cover. VF-F. 1934年3月1日美國寄滿洲國新京航空封,收件人為康德皇帝溥儀(Henry Pu Yi),貼美國票5分,經上海中轉,旁有上海英語"服務停止/退回寄件人"指示戳。





5134 1934 (Sep 29) Shanghai to England cove via Dutch Airmail Service, franked with SYS \$2 and martyrs 13c, tied by Shanghi bilingual cds., along with airmail label, "Via Rotterdam" mark and "By Netherlands Air Mail" cachet. Rare example of the French envelop on Dutch Airmail Service, used during the very first Winter Season rate period, which was the only time the Dutch service handled mail from China to England. VF-F. 1934年9月29日上海經荷航寄英國封,貼孫像2元及烈士1角3分,銷上海漢英日戳,旁有空郵標籤、英語"經鹿特丹"章及"由尼德蘭空郵"指示章。少見之 經荷航寄英國之中國封。中折上品。 Start Price HK\$1,000





5135 1934 (Jun 13) Hankow to France airmail cover, franked with Junk issues in total of \$1.48, tied by Hankow bilingual cds., along with airmail cover and handwritten "Via Canton and Singapore". On reverse with Canton transit and France arrival. VF-F.





5136 1934 (Aug 17) Weihaiwai to England airmail cover, via Dutch Airmail Service, franked with SYS 20c, Junk 2c and 50c, tied by Weihaiwai bilingual cds., along with bilingual "Par Avion" mark and "By Netherlands Air Mail" cachet. On reverse with Shanghai transit. VF-F.

1934年8月17日威海衛經荷航寄英國空郵封,貼孫像2角、帆船2分及5角,銷威海衛漢英日戳,旁有漢英"航空郵件"章及英語"由尼德蘭空郵"指示章。上品。

Start Price HK\$800





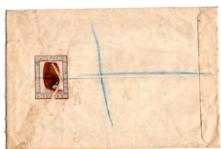




5137 1934 and 36 two covers sent to Europe, one cover airmail to Germany franked with Junk, SYS and martyrs issues, tied by Canton bilingual cds.

□ On front with endorsement of "via Bandoeng-Amsterdam". Another cover to England via Siberia, franked with SYS and Junk, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia". Good comparsion between Siberia postal route and airmail route. VF-F.





5138 1936 (May 22) Shanghai to England via Siberia registered cover, franked with SYS, Martyrs and Junk in total of \$1.85, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with registered label, mark, "Via Siberia" cachet and "Too Late" cachet. VF-F.









1930s-40s a group of 4 coves and postal card sent to Europe including destinations of Sweden, Switzerland and France, partly bearing "Via Siberia" cachet, Nazi Germany censor mark and Turkey transit. Interesting group. VF-F.





5140 1943 two Shnaghai International Committee of Red Cross covers from Shanghai to Swiss, via Siberia and Turkey, both franked with SYS and Martyrs issues, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with registered mark, "Via Siberia" cachet and "Via USSR/Tiflis/Turkey" cachet. Few stamps with faults. VF-F.







5141 1907 (Aug 5) Imperial 2nd postal card from Hangchow to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1c and 2c, tied by Chekiang Hangtung Commercial Center lunar year cds., along with Shanghai Chinese PO, French PO transits and Germany arrival. VF-F.









1908 (May 16) Chekiang Wenchow to England postcard, via Siberia, franked with CIP 2c x 2, tied by Chekiang Wenchow lunar year cds., along with Wenchow bisected bilingual cds, Shanghai Chinese PO and German PO transits as well as handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.









1913 (Jul 30) Chekiang Tsinyun to Germany via Siberia cover, franked with Revolution and Reuplic commemorative issues 5c x 2, tied by Chekiang Tsinyun lunar year cds., along with Yungkanghsien transit and handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Kinhwa and Hangchow transits. A nice cover to Europe with several small place cds in Chekiang. VF-F.



5144 1917 (Mar 30) WWI Incoming censor mail from France to Yochow, redirected to Wenchow, franked with French issues 25c, tied by Gerardmer cds., along with French censor label, censor mark and Wenchow arrival. On reverse with Peking, Yochow and Hankow transits. Significant redirected cover in both international and local postal route.









5145 1903 (Nov) Imperial 1st postal card from Hokanfu to France via Siberia, uprated by ICP 1c and 2c, tied by Hokanfu PO tombstone cancel, along with Paoting Dollar cds., Tientsin Chinese PO, French PO transits and France arrival as well as handwritten "Via Siberia". This is the only exmple of ICP postal stationery to Europe via Siberia with Both Sub-Office and Dollar cancels. Card a bit soiling. VF-F.

1903年11月份清一次片自河間府經西伯利亞寄法國,加貼蟠龍1分及2分票各一枚,銷河間府郵政局碑形戳,旁有保定大圓戳、天津中國郵局、 法國客郵局中轉戳、手寫英語"經西伯利亞"字樣及法國到達戳。此片為唯一經西伯利亞往歐洲而同時帶地方郵政局戳及大圓戳之例子。片黃上品。

Start Price HK\$30,000

Note: This is the only known ICP Postal stationery card sent to Europe via Siberia with BOTH the sub-office marking and Dollar Chop.

















5147 1903 incoming newspaper wrapper from GB to Yokohama, redirected to Shanghai but missent to Shanhaikwan. Bearing on both sides Yokohama, Shanghai Chinese PO, Shanghai LPO cds. and Shanhaikwan tombstone mark. Interesting. VF-F.

1903年英國寄日本橫濱再改寄上海卻誤遞山海關報紙封包,正背面蓋有橫濱,山海關碑型戳,上海中國郵局和書信館等日戳。郵路精彩。上品。

Start Price HK\$2,000





1907 (Sep 30) Imperial 2nd postal card, reply part of double card, from Hokan to France, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1/2c x 2 and 2c, tied by Chihli Hokan lunar year cds., along with Paoting, Tientsin Chinese PO, French PO transits, "Via Siberia" cachets and France arrival. VF-F.













1907 (Jul 8) Tientsin to Germany registered cover, via Siberia, franked with CIP 10c x 2, tied by Tientsin bilingual cds., along with Tientsin German PO transit, registered mark and handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Germany arrival. VF-F.















1910 (Feb 11) Railway view real photo postcard from Tientsin to Germany, via Siberia, franked with Hsuan Tung 2c x 2, tied by Tientsin bilingual cds., along with "Via Siberia" cachet and Tientsin French PO transit. VF-F.





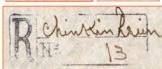


5153 1910 (Feb 28) Imperial 4th postal card from Chihli Changhsintien to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1c and 2c, tied by Chihli Changhsintien lunar year cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia", Tientsin Chinese PO and French PO transits. VF-F.









1913 (Jun) Tsingkinhsien to Germany registered cover, via Siberia, franked on reverse with CIP ovpt ROC 10c in vertical pair, tied by Chihli Tsingkinhsien lunar year cds., along with Chentow, Peking transits and Germany arrival. On front with handwritten "Via Siberai" and Chinkinhsien vertical type registered mark in Chinese and horizontal type in Enligsh. VF-F.







5155 1903 (May 6) Picture postcard from Amoy to Estonia via Shanghai and Port Arthur, mixed franking with CIP 4c and Russian issues 2k pair, tied by Amoy bilingaul cds and Shanghai Russian PO cds. respectively, along with Shanghai Chinese PO, Peking Russian PO transits and Estonia arrival. VF-F. Note: There are two special features in this item: firstly it is a postcard which Russian P.O. did not accept prior to official inauguration in September, secondly it originated from Amoy, south of Shanghai and mail would have been delivered by sea route.

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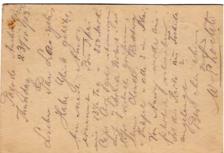






1909 (Dec 9) Foochow Canton Joss House picture postcard from Foochow to Italy, via Siberia, franked with Hsuan Tung Issue 2c x 2, tied by Foochow bilingual cds., along with Shanghai transit and handwritten "Via Siberia".







5157 1913 (Oct 23) ROC Flag 1c postal card from Pagoda Anch to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by Junk 3c, tied by Pagoda Anch bilingual bisected cds., along with Moukden transit and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.







5158 1911 Amoy picture postcard from Kulangyu to Austria, via Siberia, franked with CIP 1c and 3c on picture side, tied by Kulangyu bilingual lunar year cds. On address side with Amoy and Shanghai transits. VF-F.







1910 Forbidden City picture postcard from Chengchow registered to France, via Siberia, franked with CIP 2c x 2 and 10c, tied by Chengchow bilingual lunar year cds., along with Tientsin Chinese PO, French PO transits, handwritten "Via Siberia" and France arrival. VF-F.

1910年紫禁城圖片明信片自鄭州經西伯利亞掛號寄法國,貼蟠龍2分2枚及1角,銷鄭州英漢干支日戳,旁有天津中國郵局、法國客郵局中轉戳、手寫英語 "經西伯利亞"字樣及法國到達戳。上品。 *Start Price* **HK\$1,000**



















5162 1907 (Jun 17) picture postcard from Honan Kaifeng to Belgium, via Siberia, franked with CIP 4c, tied by scarce Honan South Kaifeng lunar year cds., along with Tientsin Chinese PO, French PO transits and Belgium arrival. VF-F.











1913 (Apr 24) Hunan Yungting to Finland via Siberia cover, franked with CIP ovpt. ROC 1c and 3c x 3, tied by Hunan Yungting lunar year cds.

On reverse with Tsinshih, Shasi, Hankow, Moukden transits and Finland arrival. VF-F.







5164 1912 (Dec 13) Imperial 4th ovpt. ROC postal card from Changsha to England, via Siberia, uprated by CIP ovpt. ROC 3c, tied by Changsha bisected bilingual cds., along with Hankow, Moukden transits and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.









5165 1911 Yungting to Finland via Siberia cover, franked with CIP 5c in pair, tied by Hunan Yungting lunar year cds. On reverse with Chinshih, Hankow, Peking Chinese PO, French PO transits and Finland arrival. VF-F.









5166 1913 (Jan 1) Yungting to Finland via Siberia cover, franked with CIP ovpt ROC 1c and 3c x 3, tied by Hunan Yungting lunar year cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Kwangchengtze, Shasi, Hankow and Moukden transits. VF-F.







CHANGSHA

1911 (Apr 28) Hunan Paoking to Germany via Siberia cover, franked with CIP 10c, tied by Hunan Paoking lunar year cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Changsha, Hankow and Peking transits. VF-F.



1905 (May 1) picture postcard from Chu Ma Tien to Belgium, franked with CIP 1c x 2 and 2c, tied by rare but unclear Peking-Hankow Railway

Letter Box cancels, along with Hankow, Shanghai Chinese PO, French PO transits and Belgium arrival. Due to Russo-Japanese war, Siberian postal route was not available and sea route was adopted which caused 42 days for delivery. VF-F.

Note: Russo-Japanese War was subsisting at that time and this was delivered by sea route taking 42 days.



5169 1922 (Jun 23) Hupeh Wuchang to Beuthen, Germany, redirected to Halle cover, via America, franked with 25th Anniv. Chinese Postal Service 3c, 6c, 10c and Junk 1/2c x 2, tied by Wuchang bilingual cds., along with Wuchang registered mark, Shanghai, Beuthen transit and Halle arrival. On front with handwritten "Germany via America per S.S. Empress of Japan". As Siberian mail service resumed in late 1923, this mail took sea route via Shanghai and America. VF-F.

Note: Prior to resumption of Via Siberia mail service in latter half of 1923, sender could send mail items to Shanghai to catch Japanese mail boat to America.





5170 1909 Peking picture postcard from Kansu Lanchow to Belgium via Siberia, franked with CIP 2c in pair, tied by Lanchow bilingual cds., along with Si' an, Peking Chinese PO, French PO transits, name seal of sender and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.





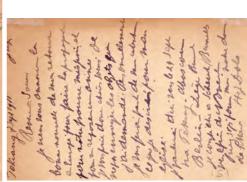


5171 1910 Imperial 4th postal card, front side of double card, from Lanchow to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 3c, tied by Lanchow bilingual cds., along with Si an, Tientsin Chinese PO, French PO transits and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.

1910年清四次雙片之正面自蘭州經西伯利亞寄德國,加貼蟠龍 3分票,銷蘭州漢英干支日戳,旁有西安、天津中國郵局、法國客郵局 中轉戳及手寫英語之"經西伯利亞"字樣。上品。

Start Price HK\$800









5172 1911 (Jul 15) Imperial 4th postal card from Kansu Fukiang to Netherlands via Siberia, uprated by CIP 3c, tied by Kansu Fukiang cds, along with Tsinchow, Tientsin Chinese PO, French PO transits, handwritten "Via Siberia" and Dutch arrival. Rare card from Kansu small place to Netherlands via Siberia. VF-F.







5173 1914 (May 26) Wuchang Pagoda picuture postcard from Kansu Liangchow to Russia via Siberia, f.w. CIP ovpt ROC 2c x 2, tied by rare Kansu Liangchow Post Office undated cancels, along with handwritten "Via Siberia" and Russian arrival. VF-F.







5174 1908 (May 08) picture postcard from Shanghai to France,

franked with CIP 2c in pair, tied by Shanghai lunar year cds., along with Shanghai bilingual cancel and Shanghai German PO transit. Uncommon postcard to France via German PO.VF-F.

1908年5月8日中國私塾圖明信片自上海寄法國,貼蟠龍2分雙連,銷上海干支日戳,旁有上海漢英半切日戳及上海德國客郵局中轉戳。 少見之經德國客郵局投遞之寄法國片。上品。







5175 1909 The Custom House Nagasaki picture postcard from Woosung to England via Siberia, franked with CIP 2c in pair, tied by Woosung bilingual lunar year cds., along with Shanghai Chinese PO, France PO transits and a red postal box cachet. VF-F. 1909年長崎税關圖明信片自吳淞經西伯利亞寄英國,貼蟠龍2分2雙連,銷吳淞英漢干支日戳,旁有上海中國郵局、法國客郵局中轉戳

及紅色信櫃戳。上品。 Start Price **HK\$1,000**







會業 勸洋 南. Nanyang Industrial Exposition.

5176 1923 (Aug) Nanyang Industrial Exposition picture postcard from Nanking to Germany via Siberia, franked with CIP 1/2c x 2, 1c and 2c, tied by Nanking City bilingual cds., along with Shanghai transit and "Via Siberia" cachet. VF-F.







5177 1916 (Apr 9) WWI Shanghai to Italy registered censor cover, via Siberia, franked on reverse Junk Issues x 8, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds., along with Peking-Moukden Train PO, Manchouli transit and Italy arrival. On front with scarce Shanghai Boardway Sub Office registered cachet, censor label and two different typs of registered mark. Magnificant registered cover with more than one censor mark as registered cover was more liable to censor during WWI.

Note: Registered item was more liable to be censored during WWI, sometime twice or three times.





5178 1928 (Aug 12) On Postal Service stampless cover from Shanghai reigstered to Germany, via Siberia, with Shanghai bisected bilingual cds.

□ on reverse, franked along with German PO censor labels and Germany arrival. On front with Shanghai registered label and "Via Siberia" cachet. VF-F.

□ 1928年8月12日郵政公司掛號封自上海經西伯利亞寄德國,背蓋上海漢英半切日戳,旁有柏林郵局檢查封條及德國到達戳。正有上海掛號標籤及英語
「經西伯利亞"指示章。上品。







5179 1908 (Nov 20) Tungkun to Germany via Siberia cover, franked with CIP 10c, tied by Tunkun bilingual cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Canton, Hong Kong, Shanghai transit and Germany arrival. Although mail services via Siberia resumed in late 1909, sender could still consider their own risk and choose whether adopting the Siberian postal route. And this cover took 30 days to reach destination. VF-F. 1908年11月20日廣東東莞經西伯利亞寄德國封,正面貼蟠龍1角票,銷東莞縣英漢干支日戳,旁有手寫英語之"經西伯利亞"字樣。背有廣州、香港、上海中轉戳及德國到達戳。雖然西伯利亞郵路於1909年下半年才恢復,但寄件人仍可自行評估風險並選擇採用什麼郵路。而此封則經西伯利亞耗時30天抵達

Note: Even though the official resumption of Via Siberia mail service was in October 1909, sender could avail themselves of this service at their own risk and it took only 30 days from this item from Kwantung Province to reach Coln Germany













1912 (Apr 19) Imperial 4th postcard from Kiungchow to Germany via Siberia, uprated by CIP 3c, tied by Kiungchow bilingual cds., along with Shanghai transit and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.





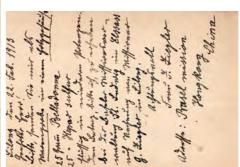




5182 1913 (Feb 10) Flag 1c postcard from Kwangtung Taiping to Germany, uprated by Republic commemorative 3c, tied by Taiping Tung bilingual cds., along with Chinese "Taiping No.1" postman mark, Canton and Shanghai transits. Shortform of province name may be added to distinguish PO with identical name. VF-F.

 $Note: Identical\ post\ of fice\ names\ are\ differentiated\ by\ adding\ initial\ of\ the\ province, and\ in\ this\ case, TUNG\ of\ KWANTUNG.$







1913 (Feb 22) Flag 1c postcard from Kwangtung Shenchen to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP ovpt. ROC 3c, tied by Kwangtung Shenchen cds., along with Canton, Shanghai transits and handwritten "Via Siberia". Please note that "Lian Nian" instead of "Er Nian" was used to indicate the year even though ROC used simplified numeral to show year. VF-F.

Note: Simplified Chinese numeral had been used to denote year in Republic reckoning, but Shumtsun P.O. adopted Lian Nian instead of Er Nian for the year 1913.







5184 1919 (Jul 29) Hong Kong Aberdeen picture postcard from Kwangtung Shameen to Scotland, tied by Junk 1c and 2c, tied by Shameen bilingual cds., along with two types of Canton transits. VF-F.







1911 (Jun 9) Indo China Saigon picture postcard from Kwangsi Kweilin to Belgium, via Siberia, franked with CIP 4c, tied by Kwangsi Kweilin lunar year cds., along with Wuchow, Shanghai transits, handwritten "Via Siberia" and Belgium arrival. VF-F.



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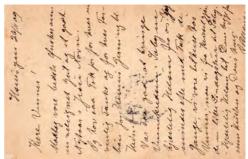
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1909 (Feb 24) Imperial 4th postcard from Kirin Tunghwahsien to France, three stamps off, tied by Tunghwaheisn bilingual lunar year cds., along with Moukden transit, handwritten "Via Siberia" and France arrival. F-VF.













5188 1911 (Dec 19) Moukden Pagoda picture postcard from Moukden to Germany, via Siberia, franked with CIP 1c and 3c, tied by Moukden bilingual cds., along with "Via Siberia" cachet. VF-F.







5189 1913 (Sep 15) Kirin to England via Siberia

registered cover, franked with CIP ovpt. ROC 5c x 4, tied by Kirin bisected bilingual cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia" and London registered label. On reverse with Harbin transit and England arrival. VF-F.









1914 (Jan 12) Alfons Brackenhoeft company cover from Kwanchengtze registered to Germany, via Siberia, mixed franking with Junk issues & CIP ovpt. ROC issue x 9 on revrse, tied by rare bisected Kwanchengtze bilingual cds., along with Germany arrival. On front with Kwanchengtze reigstered marks and "Via Siberia" cachet. International letter rate and registered rate were both 10c while 2 additional weight units were added. 32c of postage was charged. Good example for postage studies. VF-F.

Note: 32c postage covers international letter rate 10c and two additional weight units @6c x 2, international registration rate 10c.







5191 1927 (May 3) USSR incoming Taxed postal card to Harbin, franked on both sides with blue Postage Due issue 1c pair & 2c, tied by Harbin cds. A hexagonal Taxed marking at top. Card with two punch holes. F-VF.



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5192 1928 (Sep 29) Junk 2c postcard from Takushan to Denmark, via Siberia, uprated by Junk 4c, tied by Takushan bilingual cds., along with Antung transit. VF-F.

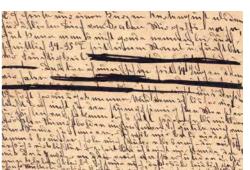






1907 (Feb 19) Imperial 1st Postal Card from Shantung Yenchow to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1c and 2c, tied by Shangtung Yenchow lunar year cds., along with Tsinan, Shanghai transits and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.







1907 (Aug 16) Imperial 2nd Postal Card from Fangzi to France, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1c and 2c, tied by Shangtung Fangzi lunar year cds., along with Kiaochow, Shanghai Chinese PO, French PO transits, handwritten "Via Siberia" and France arrival. Please note that although Siberian postal route resumed in late 1907, it still took 24 days for this mail to arrive France. VF-F.

1907年8月16日清二次片自坊子經西伯利亞寄法國,加貼蟠龍1分及2分票,銷山東坊子干支腰框日戳,旁有膠州、上海中國郵局、法國郵局中轉戳、 手寫英語之"經西伯利亞"字樣及法國到達戳。請注意雖然西伯利亞郵路於1907年下半年恢復,但此片仍耗時24日到達法國。上品。

Note: Via Siberia mail service resumed in latter half of 1907 but it took 24 days from Shanghai to Strasburg.



5195 1909 (Feb 27) Imperial 3rd Postal Card, reply portion of double card, from Shantung Mengyin to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1c and 2c, tied by Mengyin bilingual lunar year cds., along with Tsinan transit and handwritten "Via Siberia". On reverse with Peking transit. VF-F. 1909年2月27日清三次雙片之回片,自山東蒙陰經西伯利亞寄德國,加貼蟠龍1分及2分票,銷蒙陰英漢干支腰框日戳,旁有濟南中轉戳及手寫英語 "經西伯利亞"字樣。背有北京中轉戳。上品。 *Start Price* **HK\$4,000**







1912 picture postcard from Tsinan to Belgium, via Siberia, franked with CIP 3c x 2, tied by Tsinan bilingual cds., along with handwritten "Via Siberia" and Belgium arrival. VF-F.





5197 1908 (Mar 24) Wuhu Pagoda picture postcard from Wuhu to Austria, via Siberia, franked with CIP 2c in pair, tied by Wuhu bilingual cds., along with Shanghai transit, handwritten "Via Siberia" and Austria arrival. VF-F.

> 1908年3月24日蕪湖寶塔圖片明信片自蕪湖經西伯利亞寄奧國, 貼蟠龍2分票雙連,銷蕪湖漢英半切日戳,旁有上海中轉戳、手寫英語 之"經西伯利亞"字樣及奧國到達戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$500





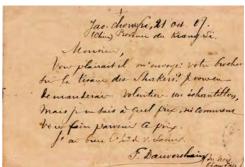




5198 1908 (Jun 5) Imperial 4th Postal Card from Kiangsi Kiukiang to Germany, via Siberia, uprated by CIP 1/2c x 2 and 2c, tied by Kiangsi Kiukiang lunar year cds and bisected bilingual cds. respectively, along with Shanghai Chinese PO, German PO transits and handwritten "Via Siberia". VF-F.

> 1908年6月5日清四次片自江西九江經西伯利亞寄德國,加貼蟠龍 半分票2枚及2分票1枚,分別銷江西九江干支日戳及九江漢英 半切日戳,旁有上海中國郵局、德國客郵局中轉戳及手寫英語 之"經西伯利亞"字樣。上品。 Start Price HK\$1,000









1907 (Oct 21) Imperial 1st Postal Card from Kiangsi Jaochowfu to France, uprated by CIP 1c and 2c, tied by clear Kiangsi Jaochowfu lunar year cds., 5199 along with Kiukiang, Shanghai transits and France arrival. VF-F.

1907年10月21日清一次片自江西饒州府寄法國,加貼蟠龍1分及2分票,銷清晰之江西饒州府干支日戳,旁有九江、上海中轉戳及法國到達戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$1,200



1913 Imperial 4th Postal Card from Tungchow, Kweichow to France, via Siberia, stamp off, postage tied by Tungchow Letter Box cancel, along with Kueiyang, Hankow and Moukden transits. Three punch holes at left. F-VF.



5201 1926 (?) red band cover from Altanbulag, Mongolia to Kalgan, franked Mongolian 25M & 10M pair, tied by square type (Aug 1) datestamps, with Manchuli transit on front sdie. VF-F. 1926年(?)蒙古阿勒坦布拉格寄張家口紅條封,背面貼蒙古票25M 1枚和10M雙連,銷蒙古方形戳,正面有滿洲里中轉戳。上品。

Start Price **HK\$1,200**





5202 1931 Mongolia to Harbin combination cover, mixed franking with Mongolian stamps and Kihei Use Junk issues, ited by Ulanbator cds. and Harbin bisected cds. respectively. VF-F.







1903 (Dec 25) Taiyuan to Scotland cover, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 1c × 2 & 2c × 4, tied by Taiyuan bilingual bisected cds., along with Peking French PO and Edinburg transits, on reverse with Peking Chinese PO, G.B. transits and arrival. VF-F.









1909 (Jul) Shansi Yulin to Belgium cover, f.w. CIP 10c, tied by Shansi Yulinfu Lunar Year cds., along with Taiyuan transit, on reverse with Fenchow, Peking Chinese PO, French PO, Belgium transits and arrival.





1910 Shansi Ningyuan to Belgium registered cover, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 20c, tied by Shansi Ningyuan Lunar Year cds., along with Taitung & Peking French PO transits and Peking registered label, on reverse with a violet Ningyuan Kung Kao Yan Catholic Church cachet, Peking Chinese PO, French PO transits and Belgium arrival. VF-F.

1910年山西甯遠經西伯利亞寄比利時掛號封,單貼蟠龍20分票,銷山西甯遠干支日戳,旁蓋大同府、北京法國客郵局中轉戳、全英文北京掛號戳及「掛號西北旱路大比國」郵路指示戳,背蓋紫色甯遠公溝堰天主堂帶日期戳記、北京中國郵局、法國客郵局中轉戳和比利時到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$3,000





5206 1908 (Feb 25) Shansi Mianhsien to Italy cover, via Siberia,

franked on reverse CIP 1c × block of 10, tied by ckear Shansi Miansian Lunar Year cds., along with Shansi Hanchung, Hankow transits and Italy arrival. VF-F.











1931 (Nov 26) Sinkiang yarkand to Sweden cover, f.w. Junk ovpt "Limited For Use in Sinkiang" 5c × 4, 4c × 1 and 1/2c × 2, tied by Sinkiang Yarkand cds., along with Erhkgszetang transit, on reverse with Harbin bilingual propaganda mark and Erhkgszetang transit. VF-F. Nice cover from Sinking to Europe via Siberia.

1931年11月26日新疆莎車經西伯利亞寄瑞典封,貼帆船加蓋「限新省貼用」5分4枚、4分1枚及半分2枚,銷莎車腰框日戳,旁蓋依爾克斯塘中轉戳, 背蓋哈爾濱「五千萬同胞待斃,捐款交上海九江路,救濟水災委員會」雙語宣傳戳及依爾克斯塘中轉戳。上品。新疆寄歐洲封經西伯利亞郵路者罕。

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5209 1909 (Oct 29) Chengtu to England cover, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 16c, tied by Chengtu bilingual Lunar Year cds., on reverse with Hankow, Peking Chinese PO and French PO transits. VF-F.





5210 1909 (Nov 30) Chengtu to Belgium cover, via Siberia, f.w. CIP 10c, tied by Chengtu bilingual Lunar Year cds., on reverse with Shanghai, Belgium transits and arrival. VF-F.









5211 1914 (Apr 20) Imperial 4th Postal Card ovpt. ROC from Szechwan Miaoutsao to England, via Siberia, uprated by Junk 3c, tied by Szechwan Miaoutsao cds., along with Kweichow, Ichang and Hankow transits. VF-F.







5212 1927 (Oct 9) registered cover franked on front junk 10c, 4c and reaper 16c cancelled Tatsienlu c.d.s., addressed to Berlin, Germany and endorsed Via Siberia, with registration slip affixed at back with Tatsienlu 1927.10.9 c.d.s. VF-F.

Note: Tatsienlu was situated in Szechwan Province adjacent to Tibet, and registered covers to Europe via Siberia scarcely originated from this place.







1909 (Oct 13) Yunnanfu registered to France cover front only, via Siberia, f.w. Hsuan Tung Issue 2c x 5 & 3c & 7c, tied by Yunanfu bilingual Lunar Year cds., along with Yunanfu registered cachet. F-VF.



1912 Italy to Yunan Mengtze incoming cover, via Siberia, f.w. Italian 25c, tied by Italian cds., along with Shanghai JJPO transit, on reverse with Changchun JJPO and Shanghai Chinese PO transits. VF-F.



5215 1913 (Jan 31) cover to Germany franked on reverse Republic overprint on CIP 5c pair cancelled Kokuchang 2nd year (1913) c.d.s.,

endorsed Via Hong Kong-Siberia and transit via Hokow and Shanghai. VF-F.



1913 (Oct) ROC Flag 1c Postal Card, from Yunanfu to France, via Siberia, uprated by CIP ovpt. ROC 1/2c × 2 & 2c, tied by two types of Yunnanfu bilingual cds., along with Shanghai and Moukden transits, on reverse with France arrival. VF-F.











1918 WWI Argentina to Tengyueh incoming censored cover, f.w. Argentinian 12c, uncanceled, along with censored mark and censored label, on reverse with Tientsin, Shanghai, Hokow and Yunnanfu transits and Tengyueh arrival. VF-F.







5218 1925 (Jun 25) Mengtsz to England cover, via Siberia, franked on reverse Junk ovpt. "Limited For Use in Yunnan" 1/2c block of 4 and 4c pair, tied by Mengtsz bilingual bisected cds., along with Shanghai transit. VF-F.

1925年6月25日蒙自經西伯利亞寄英國封,背貼帆船加蓋「限滇省貼用」半分四方連和4分雙連,銷蒙自漢英半切日戳,旁蓋上海中轉戳。上品。



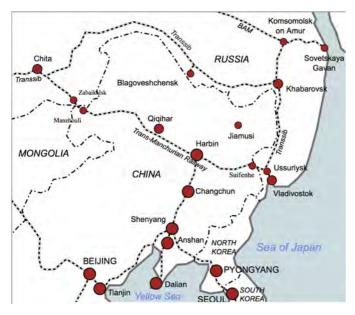




5219 1932 Greece registered to Yunnanfu registered airmail cover, f.w. Greek stamps and tied by Greek cds., along with Athens registered label and "via Saigon" airmail cachet, on reverse with numerous Greek, Saigon, Hokow transits and a Yunanfu arrival. VF-F. 1932年希臘掛號寄雲南府航空封,貼希臘郵票,銷希臘日戳,旁貼雅典掛號標籤,蓋經西貢航空戳,背蓋多枚希臘、西貢、河口中轉戳和雲南府到達戳。



Via Siberia Mail Service ---- Railway Connection Russian Built Chinese Eastern Railway



The Train Post Office numbers on the Russian built Chinese Eastern Railway are as follows:

259 Chita to Manchouli

260 Manchouli to Chita

261 Manchouli to Harbin

262 Harbin to Manchouli

263 Harbin to Vladivostok

264 Vladivostok to Harbin

265 Harbin to Port Arthur (circular type)

266 Port Arthur to Harbin (circular type)

265 Harbin to Kwanchengtze (after 1905)

266 Kwanchengtze to Harbin (after 1905)



Note: The Russian Post Office initially tried to impose postage in Russian currency for mails carried via Siberia, this item is a scarce exception.





5222 1903 (SEP 15) cover originated from Liu Kung Tau (c.d.s. of origin on cover back) franked on front Russian 7k x 2, 5k and 1k cancelled Russian Post Office Chefoo c.d.s., 1903 IX 18 with circular Train Post Office No. 266/index 7 c.d.s. 1903 IX 9 (Julian calendar), Birkenhead arrival c.d.s. OC 11 03 on reverse. VF-F.

Note: Residents of Weihaiwei and Liu Kung Tau were among the first batch of senders to utilize via Siberia mail service by directing mail through Chefoo and paying postage prescribed by Russian Post Office.







1903 (IX 12) picture post card franked Russian 3k stamp cancelled Russian Post Office Peking c.d.s., transit via Chinese Eastern Railway receiving circular Train Post Office No. 262/index 8 c.d.s. 1903 IX 16, addressed to Austria w/o arrival c.d.s. VF-F.







5224 1903 (Sep 19) Harbin to Belgium postcard, f.w. Russian 4k, tied by No. 265 (Harbin to Port Arthur) Central Eastern Railway cds., along with Belgium arrival.

1903年9月19日哈爾濱寄比利時片,單貼俄國票4戈比,銷東清鐵路第265段火車(哈爾濱到旅順)日戳,旁蓋比利時到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$800







5225 1904 (Sep 13) Harbin to Belgium postcard, f.w. Russian 4k, tied by No. 265 (Harbin to Port Arthur) Central Eastern Railway cds., along with Moscow transit.

1903年9月13日哈爾濱寄比利時明信片,單貼俄國票4戈比,銷東清鐵路第265段火車(哈爾濱到旅順)日戳,旁蓋俄羅斯中轉戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$800













1903 (Oct 5) Chefoo to England cover, f.w. Russian PO in China 7k & 3k, tied by Chefoo Russian PO cds., along with England arrival, on reverse with No. 262 (Harbin to Manchouli) Central Eastern Railway transit. Flap missing. F-VF.





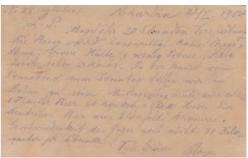
















52301904 I 10 (Julian calendar) Russian 3k postal stationery card uprated with Russian 1k stamp, cancelled circular Train Post Office 265/index 2 c.d.s. with Train Post Office No. 262/index 8 transit of even date and Hanover arrival c.d.s. 1.2.04 at lower left corner. VF-F. 1904年1月10日俄國3戈比郵資片自哈爾濱寄德國,加貼俄國票1戈比,銷東清鐵路第265段火車(哈爾濱到旅順)日戳,旁蓋東清鐵路第262段火車(哈爾濱到滁州里)中轉戳和德國到達戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$1,000















1904 V **7** picture post card franked Russian 3k cancelled circular Train Post Office No. 265/index 6 c.d.s., with St. Petersburg arrival 28 V 1904 on front. VF-F. The Eastern Railway route did not affected by Russo-Japanese War in the early stage. VF-F.

Note: Russo-Japanese War had already started on February 8, 1904 but at initial stages, the operation of the Chinese Eastern Railway was not affected.



5233 1904 XII 18 picture post card franked Russian 4k stamp cancelled circular Train Post Office No. 264/Index 6 c.d.s., sent to Italy, with blue military cachets and Venezia arrival c.d.s. also on front. VF-F.

Note: The section of Chinese Eastern Railway from Manchouli to Vladivostok (i.e. 261/264) south of Harbin was not seriously affected by the Russo Japanese War.







5234 1905 Xii 26 picture post card franked Russian 3k and 1k cancelled circular Train Post Office No. 261/index 1 c.d.s., addressed to Paris France but w/o arrival c.d.s. VF-F.

1905年12月26日滿洲里寄法國明信片,貼俄國票3戈比、1戈比各1枚,銷東清鐵路第261段火車(滿洲里到哈爾濱)日戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$800

Note: The Treaty of Portsmouth was signed on September 5 1905 and operation on lines 261/262, 263/264 were irregular and intermittent.







5235 1907 (Sep 10) a postcard to England, f.w. Russian 3k & 1k, ★★ tied by oval TPO No.262 (Harbin to Manchouli) datestamp. VF-F. 1907年9月10日東清鐵路寄英國明信片,貼俄國票3戈比、1戈比 各1枚,銷262段橢圓火車郵戳(哈爾濱到滿洲里)。

..... Start Price **HK\$800**



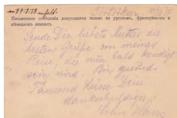




5236 1917 (Jan 22) a postcard to Russia, f.w. Russian 5k, tied by oval TPO No.262 (Harbin to Manchouli) datestamp, along with Russia arrival. VF-F.

1917年1月22日東清鐵路寄俄國明信片,貼俄國票5戈比,銷262段橢圓火車郵戳(哈爾濱到滿洲里),旁蓋俄國到達戳。上品。







5237 1917 (Sep 28) aWWI censored POW postcard to Austria, bearing oval TPO No.262 (Harbin to Manchouli) datestamp and Austria censored mark. VF-F.

1917年9月28日一戰時期東清鐵路寄奧地利戰俘郵件明信片,蓋有262段橢圓火車郵戳(哈爾濱到滿洲里)和奧利地檢查戳。上品。

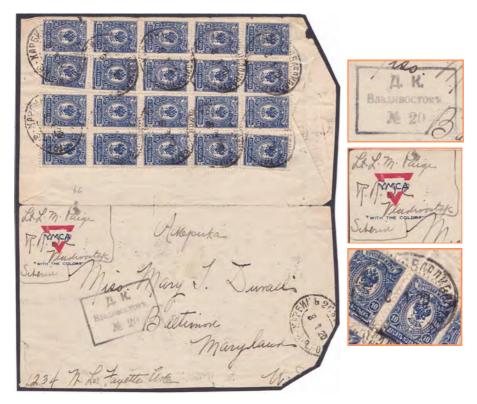
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5238 1909 a postcard to Switzerland, f.w. Russian 3k & 1k, tied by oval TPO No.263 (Harbin to Vladivostok) datestamp, along with Switzerland arrival. VF-F.



1920 a Train PO cover to USA, franked on reverse Russian 10k × 20, tied by oval TPO No.263 (Harbin to Vladivostok) datestamp, on front with Russian censored mark and 「YMCA WITH THE COLORS」 mark. Cover opened for display. VF-F.





5240 1905 (Jul 22) a stampless cover to Finland, bearing oval TPO

No.264 (Vladivostok to Harbin) datestamp, Moscow transit and Finland arrival. VF-F.

1905年7月22日東清鐵路寄芬蘭不貼票封,蓋有264段橢圓火車郵戳(海參崴到哈爾濱)日戳,莫斯科中轉戳和芬蘭到達戳。上品。













5242 1914 (Mar 2) Vladivostok to Harbin cover, franked on reverse Russian 7k, tied by oval TPO No.264 (Vladivostok to Harbin) datestamp, along with Harbin arrival. Cover stained. F-VF.





5243 1915 (Jul 31) a cover to London, f.w. Russian 10k, tied by oval TPO No.261 (Manchouli to Harbin) datestamp, on reverse with London arrival. VF-F.

1915年7月31日東清鐵路寄倫敦封,貼俄國票10戈比,銷261段 橢圓火車郵戳(滿洲里到哈爾濱)日戳,背蓋倫敦到達戳。上品。







5244 1915 (Dec 28) Vladivostok to Harbin cover, franked on reverse Russian 10k, tied by oval TPO No.264 (Vladivostok to Harbin) datestamp, along with Harbin arrival, on front with Russian censored mark. Cover stained. F-VF.

1915年12月28日一戰時期海參崴寄哈爾濱檢查封, 背貼俄國票 10戈比, 銷264段橢圓火車郵戳(海參崴到哈爾濱)日戳, 旁蓋哈爾濱 到達戳, 正面蓋俄國檢查戳。封有污。上中品。







1917 (Jun 7) postcard used to Russia, f.w. Russian 3k, tied by oval TPO No.264 (Vladivostok to Harbin) datestamp. VF-F.























1909 & 1910 two incoming postcards, sent from Belgium and Germany respectively to Peking, then forwarded to Shanghaikwan, both bearing Shanghaikwan oval IJTO datestamps. VF-F.

1909及1910年進口明信片2枚。分別由比利時、德國寄北京,然後再轉寄至山海關,均蓋有橢圓山海關IJTO火車郵戳。上品。 Start Price HK\$3,000













1911 & 1912 cover and postcard, used to USA and France respectively, bearing Changchun IJPO and Moukden IJPO cds. VF-F.





1916 & 1914 two postcards, former one sent from Hankow to Denmark, f.w. Japanese 4s, tied by Hankow Japanese PO cds., along with Russia transit and South Manchurian Moukden to Changchun IJPO 1 oval datestamp; the other sent from England to Moukden, f.w. British one penny, tied by British cds., along with South Manchurian Railway Changchun to Moukden IJPO 2 oval datestamp and Moukden Japanese PO cds. VF-F.





5254 1915 & 1911 two postcards, former one sent from Seoul to France, f.w. Japanese 2s × 2, bearing South Manchurian Moukden to Changchun IJPO 1 oval datestamp; the other sent from Belgium to Dairen, f.w. Belgian 2c × 2, bearing South Manchurian Railway Changchun to Moukden IJPO 2 oval datestamp. VF-F







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1914 cover and postcard, cover sent from Moscow to Canton, f.w. Russian 10k, tied by Moscow cds., on reverse with South Manchurian Railway Changchun to Moukden IJPO 2 oval datestamp, Canton Japanese PO transit and Canton Chinese PO arrival; postcard sent from Korea to Switzerland, franked on reverse Japanese 1.5s & 0.5s stamps, tied by Seoul Japanese PO cds., on front with South Manchurian Moukden to Changchun IJPO 1 oval datestamp. VF-F. 1914年西式封、明信片各1枚,西式封自莫斯科寄廣州,貼俄國票10戈比,銷莫斯科日戳,背蓋南滿鐵路長春到奉天 IJPO 2 橢圓火車戳,廣州日本客郵局中轉戳和廣州中國郵局到達戳:明信片自朝鮮寄瑞士,背貼日本客郵1.5錢及0.5錢各1枚,銷首爾日本客郵局日戳,正面蓋南滿鐵路奉天到長春IJPO1橢圓火車戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$2,200













A group of three picture postcards, printed respectively with South Manchuria Railway map, picture of semi-weekly South Manchurian Express between Dairen and Kwanchegntzu, and comic of Transsibérien train. A nice group. VF-F.

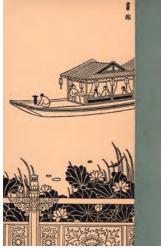
一組3枚明信片,分別印有南滿鐵路路線圖,大連和寬城子之間半週一次的南滿鐵路快車照片,以及西伯利亞鐵路火車漫畫。上品。

Start Price HK\$800

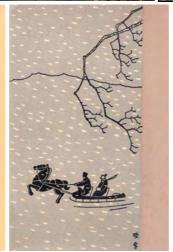
















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A set of 3 picture post cards sold on the South Manchurian Railway with cover showing railway map, two other picture postcards of Cabin salon and S.M.R. Company Office in Mukden castle and three post cards written in Japanese with various sections of Japanese language Train Post Office c.d.s. (8 items)



5258 1921 (Nov 4) Hsingcheng to Chinhsien cover, f.w. Junk 3c, tied by Peking to Moukden Railway PO cds., on reverse with Chinchoufu arrival. VF-F.

1921年11月4日興城車站工程處寄錦縣商會中式封,單貼帆船 3分票,銷清晰之京奉火車郵局日戳,背蓋錦州府到達戳。上品。



5259 1929 (Aug 28) Chinwantao to Shanhaikwan red band cover,

≤ f.w. Junk 1 c & 3 c, tied by Peking to Moukden Railway PO cds. A similar cds. on reverse. Cover with fold marks. VF-F.

1929年8月28日秦王島寄山海關中式封, 貼帆船1分、3分 各1枚,銷京奉火車郵局日戳。背有同款戳一枚。封有折,上品。

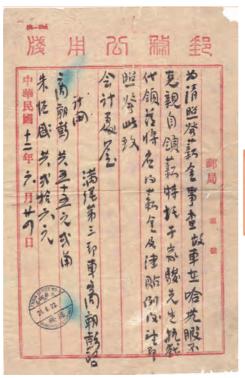








1916 (Mar 24) Tiehling to Harbin cover, franked on reverse Junk 3c, tied by rare (Hung Hsien) First Year "Chinese Eastern Manchouli-Suifenho Postal Route" TPO cds, bearing on front Harbin (Hung Hsien) First Year arrival. VF-F.





5261 1923 (Jun 24) On Postal Service document sheet, bearing Manchouli to Suifengho Train PO cds. VF-F.



1927 (**Jun 11**) **Tsitsihar to Harbin cover,** f.w. unification commemorative Chiang Kai Shek 10c stamp ovpt. "For Use in Kirin and Heilungkiang", tied by Manchouli to Suifengho Train PO cds., along with Tsitsihar originating cds., on reverse with Harbin arrival. VF-F.

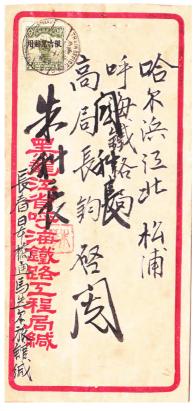


1910s-30s a group of 8 covers or postcards, all bearing Manchouli-Suifenhe Train PO cancels, with different postmark numbers, from No.1-5 & No.7-9. A difficult gathering. Some with faults. F-VF.



1918 & 27 two used Harbin picture postcards, both bearing Harbin-Kwanchengtze Train P) cds., former one with Central East/ Hakwan Postal Route, later one with Harbin-Kwanchengtze Train Office cds. A nice pair. VF-F.

1918及27年兩枚哈爾濱圖實寄明信片,均蓋哈寬(哈爾濱到寬城子)火車郵戳,前者蓋有中東/哈寬郵路戳,後者蓋哈寬火車郵局日戳。上品。







5265 1920s Huhai Railway Bureau cover to Harbin, franked with Junk ovpt For Use in Ki-Hei 4c, tied by unclear Train PO cancel. On reverse with Harbin arrival.

VF-F.

1920年代呼海鐵路局工程局封寄哈爾濱,貼帆船加蓋限吉黑貼用4分票,銷路線難辨之火車郵局日戳。背有哈爾濱到達戳。上品。

...... Start Price **HK\$600**







5266 1920s Peking-Moukden Railway Bureau cover to Kimhsien, franked with Junk 3c, tied by Moukden-Shanhaikwang Train PO cds.
☑ On reverse with Kimhsien arrival. VF-F.
☐ 1920年代京奉鐵路車務處公函封寄錦縣,貼帆船3分票,銷奉榆火車郵局日戳。背有錦縣到達戳。上品。
☐ Start Price HK\$1,000









1916 (May 1) Junk 1c Postal Card from Yochow to Mengtsz, tied by Yochow bisected cds., along with Hunan Yuchow, Shanghai, Hokow, Mengtze transits and Mengtsz arrival. Card folded at middle. VF-F.

1916年5月1日帆船1分郵資片自岳州寄蒙自法國客郵局,銷岳州半切日戳,旁有湖南嶽州、河口、上海中轉戳及蒙自到達戳。片中折,上品。

Start Price HK\$1,000





5270 1916 (Mar 30) WWI France to Shanghai censor cover, redirected to Yochow, stampless, tied by Paris meter stamp.

On reverse with Russian transit, Russian censor mark, Shanghai transit and Yochow arrival. VF-F.







5271 1916-17 a Junk 1c postcard and incoming censored cover to Wenchow, Junk postcard uprated by Junk 1/2c, tied by Shanghai cds. Cover from France franked with French 20c. Both addressed to Wenchow and bearing Wenchow bisected arrival. VF-F.









5272 1917 WWI two incoming censored covers from France to Wenchow, both franked with France issues, tied by Paris and Epernay cds., along with censor label, French censor marks and Wenchow bisected arrival cds. VF-F.









5273 1919 two Incoming picture postcards from France

to Wenchow, one card with Canton French PO transit and another card with Shanghai French PO transit. Both with Wenchow bisected arrival. VF-F.









5274 1919 an incoming cover and a postal sent to Wenchow,

□ comprising Shanghai to Wenchow Junk postal card and a France incoming cover. Both bearing Wenchow bisected arrival. VF-F.

1919年寄溫州封片各一枚,包括帆船1分半郵資片自上海寄溫州。及一枚法國寄溫州進口封,均帶溫州半切到達戳。上品。

...... Start Price **HK\$1,000**





5275 1923 France to Hong Kong Kowloon Customs cover, redireted to Shanghai, finally sent to Santuao, Fukien, franked with French issues in total of 50c, tied by Paris "Cheques Postaux" meter stamp, along with Shanghai transit and Santuao arrival. On reverse with Hong Kong and Shanghai transits. VF-F.

1923年法國寄香港九龍海關封,改寄上海,再改寄福建三都澳。 貼法國票50生丁,銷巴黎宣傳戳,旁有上海中轉戳及三都澳到達戳。 背有香港中轉戳及上海機蓋中轉戳。上品。









5276 1915 (Dec 30) Junk 1c postal card from Peking to Tsinan,

tied by Peking bisected cds., along with Tsinan City (Jan 1) 1916 arrival.

Please note that Minguo calender was used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime.













5277 1915 (Dec 30) Yachowfu to US cover, franked with Junk 3c x 2 and 4c, tied by Yachowfu bilingual cds. On reverse with Wanhsien, Hankow and Shanghai transit. Please note that all cds at back are using Western calender year and Minguo year instead of Hunghsien year. 1915年12月30日四川雅州府寄美國封,貼帆船票3分2枚及4分1枚,銷罕見之雅州府腰框日戳。背有萬縣、漢口及上海中轉戳。而背面的 戳 記 皆 使 用 西 曆 或 民 國 紀 年 而 非 洪 憲 紀 年 。 上 品 。









5278 1916 (Jan 1) Junk 1c postal card from Anhwei Hweichow to Chikih, tied by bilingual Hweichow cds., along with Chikihsien arrival. Please note that Minguo year was used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime.











Note: The earliest recorded Yuan Nian datestamp of the Hong Xian Empire is January 4.







5282 1916 (Jan 3) Junk 1c postal card from Taianfu to Tsinan, tied by Taianfu bilingual cd. On reverse with Tsinan City arrival. Sent by Bank of China Taian branch. Please note that Minguo year was used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime. 1916年1月3日帆船1分郵資片自泰安府中國銀行寄濟南中國銀行,銷泰安府英漢腰框日戳。背有濟南城到達戳。請注意戳上使用民國

紀年而非洪憲紀年。上品。 Start Price **HK\$800**







5283 1916 (Jan3) Junk 1c postal card used in Peking,

tied by Chihli Peking cds., along with Peking bisected arrival. Please note that Western calendar year and Minguo year were used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime.





5284 1916 (Jan 4) Flag 1c postal card from Shantung Shanhsien

to Shanghai, tied by Shanhsien bilingual cds., along with Shanghai arrival. Please note that Western calendar year and Minguo Year were used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime.







5285 1916 (Jan 5) Junk 1c postal card from Tientsin to Peking,

tied by Tientsin bisected cds., along with Peking arrival. Please note that Western calendar year was used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime.

1916年1月5日帆船1分郵資片自天津寄北京,銷天津漢英半切日戳,旁有北京到達戳。請注意戳上使用西曆而非洪憲紀年。上品。

Start Price HK\$600





5286 1916 (Jan 7) Junk 1c postal card from Hupeh Tienmen

™ to Peking, tied by Hupeh Tienmen cds., along with Hankow transit and Peking arrival. Please note that Minguo year was used to indicate the date during Hunghsien regime.







5287 1916 (Jan 8) WWI POW Junk 4c postal card from Tientin to Japan, original ovpt. address of Denmark was crossed out, tied by Tientsin bilingual cds., along with Kobe arrival. Please note that the date of the Tientsin cds was Hunghsien 1st year.



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5288 1916 (Jan 8) Junk 1c postal card from Ningpo to Shanghai, tied by Ningpo bisected cds., along with Shanghai tansit and arrival. One Shanghai cds. showing Hunghsien 1st year.

1916年1月8日帆船1分郵資片自寧波寄上海,銷寧波漢英半切日戳,旁有上海中轉和到達戳。其中一枚上海戳顯示(洪憲)元年。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,600







1916 (Jan 9) Tsing Hua College cover from Tsinghuayuan to Boston, US, then redirected to Beverly, franked with Junk 10c x 2, tied by Tsinghuayuan bilingual cds., along with two registered marks. On reverse with Peking, Moukden, Boston, San Francisco transit and Beverley arrival. The Tsinghuayuan cds was using Hongxian 1st year as date. Using "Yi Nian" instead of "Yuan Nian" is extremely rare, not to mention that the cover was sent from Tsinghuayuan, inside the capital of Chinese Empire.

1916年1月9日北京清華學校封寄美國波士頓,後改寄伯克萊。貼帆船1角票2枚,銷清華園「一年」英漢腰框日戳,旁有兩枚掛號章。背有北京、奉天、波士頓、三藩市中轉戳及伯克萊到達戳。清華園戳使用(洪憲)"一年"作日期,使用"一年"而非"元年"者極罕,更遑論這是在天子腳下的清華園寄出。上品。

Note: The adoption of ONE YEAR to denote yuan nian of the Hong Xian Empire is extremely scarce, let alone this example from Tsinghwayuan post office Peking, right under the nose of Emperor Yuan Shih Kai?



5292 1916 (Jan 9) Junk 1c postal card from Lungkow to Tsinan, tied by Lungkow bilingual cds. On reverse with Tsinan City arrival. Please note the former is using Minguo year and latter is using Hunghsien year.











5293 1916 (Jan 10) Junk 1c postal card from Kashan to Hweichow, tied by Kashan bilingual cds., along with Shuning, Hangchow (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and Anhwei Hungkwan arrival. Please note that it is another example of "Yi Nian" instead of "Yuan Nian" used to indicate the first month of the Hunghsien 1st year.

Note: This is another example of ONE YEAR datestamp, this time from Hangchow.







1916 (Jan 10) Chinese style cover from Kweichow Tungjen to Kweiyang, franked with Junk 1c and 2c on reverse, tied by Tungjen bilingual cds. Please note that Minguo year was used instead of Hunghsien 1st year. ■

1916年1月10日中式封自貴州銅仁寄貴陽,背貼帆船1分及2分票,銷銅仁英漢腰框日戳。請注意戳上使用民國紀年而非洪憲紀年。上品。

Start Price HK\$800



1916 WWI censored Junk 1c postal card from Kiaochow to Sweden, uprated by Junk 3c, tied by unclear Kiaochow cds., along with Tsinan, Tientsin, Manchouli transit, Russian censor mark and Stockholm arrival. Tsinan and Manchouli cds were using Western calendar year while Tientsin cds was using Hunghsien year. It is quite seldom to see mails to Europe being censored along the railway (Trans-Siberian Railway). 1916年一戰時期帆船1分郵資片自膠州寄瑞典,加貼帆船3分票,銷不清晰之膠州腰框日戳,旁有濟南、天津及滿州里中轉戳、俄語檢查章及斯德哥爾摩到達戳。濟南和滿州里戳使用西曆紀年,而天津戳使用洪憲紀年。於洪憲時期,於火車上進行檢查的郵件較少見。上品。

..... Start Price **HK\$20,000**

Note: International covers/cards sent to Europe during Hong Xian Empire period and censored along the trans-Siberian Railway are quite scarce.



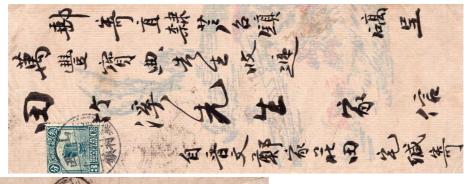




1916 (Jan 12) Flag 1c postal card from Shansi Pucheng to Shanghai, tied by Shansi Pucheng cds., along with unclear transit and Shanghai arrival. Hunghsien year was used on the Pucheng cds to indicate year.

1916年1月12日五色旗1分郵資片自陝西蒲城寄上海,銷陝西蒲城(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁有不清晰之中轉戳及上海到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,600











5297 1916 (Jan 13) Chinese style cover from Chitsunchen, Shansi to Lutai, Chihli, franked with Junk 3c, tied by Shansi Chitsunchen cds. On reverse with Taiyuanfu, Peking transit and Lutai arrival. Hunghsien year was applied on the Chitsunchen and Taiyuanfu cancels. 1916年1月13日中式封自山西冀村鎮寄直隸蘆台,貼帆船3分票,銷山西冀村鎮腰框日戳。背有太原府、北京中轉戳及蘆台到達戳。冀村鎮及太原府戳上使用洪憲紀年。上品。

Start Price HK\$2,000















5298 1916 (Jan 15) WWI POW Junk 4c postal card from Tientsin to Red Cross in Denmark, tied by Tientsin bilingual cds., along with another Tientsin cancel, Peking-Moukden Train PO, Harbin, Mancouli transits and Russian censor mark. On reverse with arrival. Apart from one Tientsin cancel using Hunghsien 1st Year, all others wers using Western calendar year. Postally used POW ovpt. Chinese postal stationery is rare. Card stained and with some minor edge faults. F-VF.

Note: Postally used Prisoner of War overprint on Chinese postal stationery cards are scarce.



1916 (Jan) red band cover from Kwangtung Chenkow to Hong Kong, franked with Junk 4c on reverse, tied by Kwangtung Chenkow cds., along with Towshan and Kongmoon transit. Hunghsien year was applied on the Chenkow cds.

1916年1月中式紅條封寄自廣東鎮口寄香港,背貼帆船4分票,銷廣東鎮口腰框日戳,旁有鬥山及江門中轉戳。鎮口戳使用洪憲紀年。上品。









1916 (Jan 20) Junk 1c postal card from Tungli to Chentsunkiang, tied by (Hunghsien) Yuan Year? Cds., along with 2 unclear transits and Chentsunkiang arrival. Card stained and with some creases. F-VF.

1916年1月20日帆船1分郵資片自同里寄呈村降,銷同里「五改元」?腰框日戳,旁蓋2枚不清晰之中轉戳及呈村降五年到達戳。片有折和污。上中品。



5302 1916 (Jan 22) Flag 1c postcard from Shumchun to Germany, taking the overland route, uprated by Junk 3c, tied by rare Shumchun bisected cds., along with handwritten "overland route via Canton, Changsha and Shanghai", Canton, Changsha and Shanghai transits. In which Canton & Changsha cds. using Hunghsien year for date. VF-F.



5303 1916 (Jan 21) red band cover from Hong Kong to Canton,solventrial franked with KGV 2c, tied by Hong Kong cds., along with Canton arrival. Hunghsien year was applied on the Canton arrival. VF-F.

1916年1月21日紅條封自香港寄廣州,背貼香港票2仙,銷香港日戳,旁有廣州到達戳。廣州戳上使用洪憲紀年。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,200





5304 1916 (Jan 22) cover back bearing Junk issue 1c pair, tied by Kwangtung Lungkong (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds. 1916年1月22日封背殘片貼有帆船1分票雙連,銷廣東龍崗(洪憲)元年日戳,郵票紙邊上寫有「代欠資票」字樣,少見。

...... Start Price HK\$600



1916 (Jan 23) Flag 1c postal card from Kuchuk, Kwantung to Kaying, tied by Kwangtung Kuchuk cds., along with Lolung, Hoyun transits and Kaying arrival. On reverse with Hininghsien transit. Hunghsien year was applied on all the postmarks. Rare.



5306 1916 (Jan 25) Junk 1c postal card from Tientsin to Germany, uprated by Junk 3c, tied by Tientsin bisected cds., along with Shanghai transit. Western calendar year was used in the cancels.



5307 1916 (Jan 26) Junk 1c postal card from Szechuan Tzeliutsing to Chentu, tied by bilingual Tzeliutsing cds., along with Chengtu arrival. Both using Hunghsien year in the cds.



1916 (Jan 26) Flag 1c postal card from Swatow to England, uprated by Junk issue 3c pair and 4c, tied by Swatow bisected cds., along with Shanghai transit. All cds. using Western year.

1916年1月26日五色旗1分郵資片自廣東汕頭寄英國,加貼帆船票3分雙連及4分一枚,銷汕頭半切日戳,旁蓋上海中轉戳。郵戳均以西曆公元紀年。上品。





1916 (Jan 26) red band cover from Anhwei Hweichow to Shanghai, franked on reverse Junk 3c, tied by Huichow Minguo Year 5 cds., on front with Shanghai "5" (missing the character "Year") arrival. Uncommon. VF-F.

1916年1月26日中式紅條封自徽州寄上海,背面貼帆船3分票,銷徽州「五年」日戳,正面蓋有上海「五」(無「年」字)到達戳。少見。上品。

...... Start Price **HK\$1,000**













1916 (Jan 31) Szechuan Yachow to USA cover, franked on reverse Junk 3c strip of 3 & 1c, tied by Yachow No Year cds., along with Wanhsien (Hunghsien) 1st Year, Hankow and Shanghai transits. VF-F.













5312 1916 (Feb 1) Szechuan Chengtu to USA cover, f.w. Junk 3c x 3 & 1c, tied by Chengtu cds., on reverse with Ichang bisected, Ichang (Hunghsien) 1st Year and Shanghai transits. VF-F.







1916 USA to Tientsin incoming registered cover,
 bearing on reverse Moukden (Feb 1) transit and Tientsin (Feb 2) arrival.
 Both using western year in date. VF-F.

1916年美國寄天津掛號進口封, 背面蓋有奉天(2月1日)中轉和天津 (2月2日)到達戳, 均使用西曆公元紀年。上品。



5314 1916 (Jan) red band cover from Shansi Tsihsien to Kalgan,

□ franked on reverse Junk 3c, tied by Tsihsien (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Pekingtransit and Kalgan arrival. VF-F.

1916年1月山西祁縣寄張家口紅條封,背面貼帆船3分票, 銷祁縣(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋北京中轉和張家口到達戳,上品。









5315 1916 (Feb 3) WWI Canton Shameen to Hong Kong censored cover, f.w. Junk 10c, tied by Shameen western year bisected cds., along with "P.B.C." (Passed By Censor) cachet, on reverse with Hong Kong arrival. VF-F.







53161916 (Feb 5) Flag 1c postal card from Kwangtung Loting to USA, one stamp off, postage canceled by Kwangtung Loting (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Canton, Shanghai transits and USA arrival. F-VF.









1916 (Feb 5) Junk 1c postal card from Shantung Loiyang to Nanking, tied by Kwangtung Loiyang (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Tsinan, Nanking City transits and Nanking arrival. VF-F.

1916年2月5日山東萊陽縣寄南京帆船1分郵資片,銷萊陽縣(洪憲) 元年腰框日戳,旁蓋濟南,南京城中轉戳和南京到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,500











5318 1916 (Feb 8) Junk 1c postal card from Szechuan Jenshou to Chengtu, tied by Jenshouhsien (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and arrival. VF-F.

1916年2月8日四川仁壽縣寄成都帆船1分郵資片,銷仁壽縣(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋成都(洪憲)元年中轉戳和到達戳。上品。

Start Price **HK\$1,600**

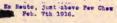


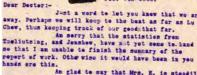
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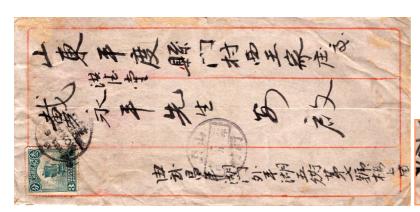




5320 1916 (Feb 9) Flap 1c postal card from Szechuan Changshou
 to Chengtu, tied by Szechuan Changshou (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.

1916年2月9日四川長壽寄成都五色旗1分郵資片,銷四川 長壽(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋成都(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。

..... Start Price **HK\$1,600**









1916 (Feb 9) Wuchang to Shantung Pingtu Moontsun cover, f.w. Junk 3c x 3 & 1c, tied by Chengtu cds., on reverse with Ichang bisected, Ichang 5321 (Hunghsien) 1st Year and Shanghai transits. VF-F.

1916年2月9日武昌寄山東平度門村封,貼帆船3分票1枚,銷漢口半切日戳,背蓋山東門村(洪憲)元年到達,背蓋南京中轉戳和山東平度(洪憲)元年中轉戳。 上品。 Start Price HK\$1,500





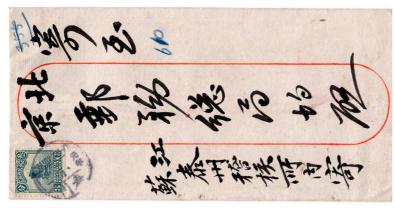


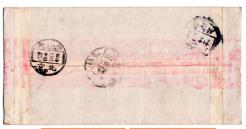




5322 1916 (Feb 10) Junk 1c postal card from Pingyangfu to Nanking, tied by Pingyangfu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Yutzi, Tientsin, Nanking City (Hunghsien) 1st Year transits and Nanking arrival. One small tear at top. VF-F.

1916年2月10日平陽府寄南京帆船1分郵資片,銷平陽府(洪憲)元年日戳,旁蓋榆次,天津,南京城(洪憲)元年腰框中轉日戳和南京到達戳。片上邊有裂口。 上品。 Start Price HK\$1,200







5323 1916 (Feb 1) Kiangsu Taichow to Peking GPO cover, f.w. Junk 3c, tied by Taichow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., on reverse with Chinkiangfu, Chihli Peking and Peking (Hunghsien) 1st Year transits and arrival. VF-F.

1916年2月11日江蘇泰州寄北京郵務總局封,貼帆船3分票1枚,銷泰州(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,背蓋鎮江府,直隸北京和北京等(洪憲)元年中轉和到達戳。 Start Price HK\$1,800



5324 1916 (Feb 13) WWI Chihli to Holland censored regsitered cover, f.w. Junk issue 5c x 6 & 2c, tied by rare Chihli Nanhaochan (Hung hsien) One Year cds., along with Chihli Nanhaochan registered cachet, cover sealed by censor label. On reverse showing Kalgan, Peking, Manchuli, Peking to Mukden Railway PO, Russian censor marking and Holland arrival. Rare. VF-F.

Note: This is the only example of ONE YEAR c.d.s. from Nanhaochan (now Inner Mongolia) on double censored registered cover to Europe via Siberia during the Hung Hsien Empire period.



5325 1916 (Feb 15) Junk 1c postal card from Chekiang Kashan

★ to Anhwei Hungkwan, tied by Kashan (Hunghsien) 1st Year bilingual cds., along with Hangchow, two unclear transits and Hungkwan (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.



5326 1916 (Feb 15) Heilongkiang Fenglokchen to Anhwei Susong cover, franked on reverse Junk Issue 1 c & 2 c, tied by rare Heilongkiang Fenglokchen (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Ankingfu transit. On front with rare Heilongkiang Tiencaogang (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and an unclear postmark. VF-F.

1916年2月15日黑龍江豐樂鎮寄安徽宿松縣中式封,背面貼帆船 1分及2分票各一枚,銷罕見之黑龍江豐樂鎮到(洪憲)元年腰框 日戳,旁蓋安慶府中轉戳,正面有黑龍江甜草崗(洪憲)元年腰框中轉戳 和一枚不清晰之日戳。上品。難得的東北地區小地名(洪憲)元年日戳。

.. Start Price **HK\$3,000**John Bull Stamp Auctions, Ltd.













5327 1916 (Feb 17) Junk 4c postal card from Fukien Yuki to USA,

tied by Fukien Yuki (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Suikou Fu and Foochow (Hunghsien) 1st Year and Shanghai transits. VF-F. 1916年2月17日福建尤溪寄美國帆船4分郵資片,銷福建尤溪(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋水口及福州府(洪憲)元年和上海半切中轉戳。上品。難得的福建地區小地名(洪憲)元年日戳。 Start Price HK\$3,000









5328 1916 (Feb 20) Flag 1c postal card from Fukien Nananfu to Kwangtung Nanyung, tied by Nananfu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Nanyung (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.





5329 1916 (Feb 20) Junk 1c postal card from Junhsien to Chengtu,

tied by Junhsien (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.

1916年2月20日四川榮縣寄成都帆船1分郵資片,銷榮縣(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋成都(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。 *Start Price* **HK\$1,600**







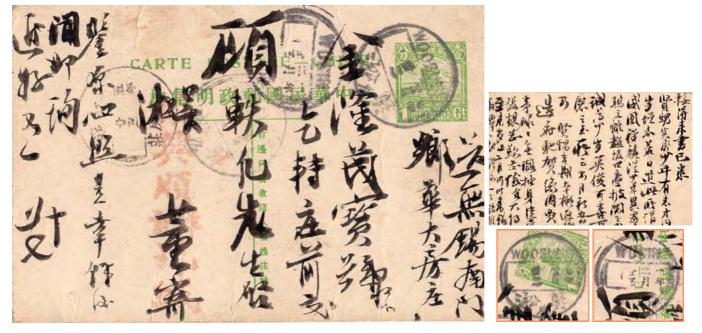


5330 1916 (Feb 21) Junk 1c postal card from Kiangsu Kiangyin to Shanghai, tied by Kiangsu Kiangyin (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Shanghai arrival. VF-F.



1916 (Feb 22) Flag 1c postal card from Fukien Sienyu to Shanghai, tied by Sienyu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Shanghai LPO arrival.

✓ On reverse with Hinghwa (Hunghsien) 1st Year and Foochow bisected transits. VF-F.



1916 (Feb 22) Junk 1c postal card from Woosung to Wushih, tied by Woosung bilingual cds., along with Kiangsu Sofangchwang (Minguo) 5th Year cds., and rare Wushih (Hunghsien) One Year arrival. VF-F.





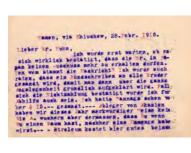




5333 1916 (Feb 24) Junk 1c postal card from Tongku to Shanghai,

tied by Tientsin bilingual cds., along with Tientsin transit and Shanghai arrival. All cds. Using western year in date. VF-F.









1916 (Feb 28) Junk 1c postal card from Fukien Nananfu to Kwangtung Nanyung, tied by Nananfu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Nanyung (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.









5335 1916 (Feb 29) Junk 1c postal card from Tsinan to Nanking,



5336 1916 (Feb 28) red band cover from Anhwei Shentu to Chekiang

Langki, franked on reverse Junk issue 3c, tied by Anhwei Shentu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Yenchow (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and Langki (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.







5337 1916 (Mar 3) Junk 1c postal card from Chihli Chuochow to Peking, tied by rare Peking to Hankow Railway Section 1 (Hunghsien) 1st Year #13 Train PO cds. Card has middle fold. F-VF.



5338 1916 (Mar 4) Junk 1c postal card from Shansi Liaochow to Shanghai, tied by Shansi Liaochow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Pingtingchow (Hunghsien) 1st Year, Peking, Shanghai transits and arrival. VF-F.

1916年3月4日山西遼州寄上海帆船1分郵資片,銷山西遼州(洪憲) 元年日戳,旁蓋平定州(洪憲)元年,北京上海中轉和到達戳。上品。



5339 1916 (Mar 2) red band cover from Kiangsu Taihsien

▼ to Chekiang Changhwa, franked on reverse Junk issue 3c, tied by Taichow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Anhwei Sanhwahang? and Laochuling (Hunghsien) 1st Year transits and Changhwa arrival. On front with Hangchow transit. VF-F.

1916年3月2日江蘇泰縣寄浙江昌化中式紅條封,銷泰州(洪憲)元年 腰框日戳,旁蓋安徽三花?坑(洪憲)元年及老竹嶺(洪憲)元年中轉戳 和昌化到達戳。正面有杭州中轉戳。上品。







1916 (Feb 27) cover from Chihli Tangshan to Shantung Tsinchow, f.w. Junk issue 3c, tied by Tangshan cds., along with Tsinan transit, 5340 on reverse with Shantung Poer (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit. Cover with faults, stamp damaged at top. F-VF.

1916年2月27日河北唐山寄山東青州封,銷唐山英漢腰框日戳,旁蓋濟南中轉戳,背有山東泊兒(洪憲)元年中轉戳。封有破損,票上邊有殘。上中品。







1916 (Mar 6) Junk 1c postal card from Penghsien to Chengtu, tied by Penghsien (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year 5341 arrival. VF-F.

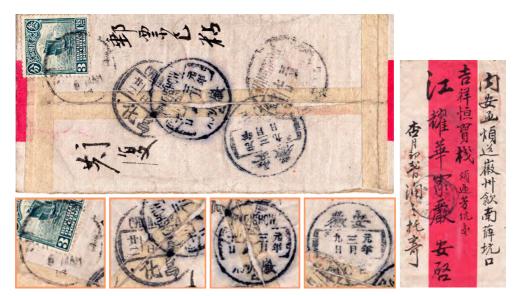








1916 (Mar 7) Junk 1c postal card from Tzeliutsing to Chengtu, tied by Tzeliutsing (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year 5342



5343 1916 (Mar) red band cover from Kiangsu Soochow to Anhwei Hweichow, franked on reverse Junk issue 3c, tied by unclear cds., along with Hangchow, Changhwa, Hweichow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., Anhwei Laochuling (Hunghsien) 1st Year transits. On front with another Soochow cds. VF-F.
1916年3月江蘇蘇州寄安徽徽州薛坑口中式紅條封,銷不清晰日戳,旁蓋杭州,昌化,徽州府(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,老竹嶺(洪憲)元年等中轉戳。正面有蘇州州中轉戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,300



1916 (Mar 7) Junk 1c postal card from Tzeliutsing to Chengtu, tied by Tzeliutsing (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.

1916年2月29日安徽徽州寄浙江蘭溪帆船1分郵資片,銷徽州腰框日戳,旁蓋嚴州府(洪憲)元年中轉戳和蘭溪(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。



5345 1916 (Mar 7) Junk 1c postal card from Tzeliutsing to Chengtu, tied by Tzeliutsing (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Tzechow and Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds. VF-F.

1916年3月7日四川自流井寄成都帆船1分郵資片,銷自流井(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋磁州(洪憲)元年中轉戳和成都(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。







1916 (Mar 13) Sinkiang large size Official cover from Tihwa to Torfan, f.w. Sinkiang Use Junk Issue 3c & 5c, tied by rare Tihwa (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., on reverse with Turfan arrival. VF-F.







5347 1916 (Mar 7) Flag 1c postal card from Chungking to Chengtu, tied by Chungking cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.





5348 1916 (Mar 14) Junk 1c postal card from Tzeliutsing to Chengtu, tied by Tzeliutsing (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtufu and Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and arrival cds. VF-F.











5349 1916 (Mar 18) Flag 1c postal card from Chengtufu to Chengtu, tied by Chengtufu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival cds. VF-F. 1916年3月18日成都府寄成都五色旗1分郵資片,銷成都府(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,旁蓋成都(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。

Start Price HK\$1,600



5350 1916 (Mar) red band cover from Chihli Mochow registered to Peking, franked on reverse Junk issue 8c, tied by Chihli Mochow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Chihli Hunghsien (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and Peking (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.

1916年3月直隸鄚州寄北京中式封,銷直隸鄚州(洪憲)元年日戳,旁蓋直隸雄縣(洪憲)元年中轉戳和北京(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。









5351 1916 (Mar 21) Junk 4c postal card from Hangchow to Switzerland, via America, tied by Hangchow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Shanghai transit. VF-F.

1916年3月21日浙江杭州經美國寄瑞士帆船4分郵資片,銷杭州(洪憲) 元年腰框日戳,旁蓋上海中轉戳。上品。............. Start Price **HK\$1,500**



1916 (Mar) red band cover from Chekiang Hangchow to Peking, franked on reverse Junk issue 8c, tied by Hangchow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Peking (Hunghsien) 1st Year 23rd day arrival and a bluish Hangchow Post Box cachet. VF-F.

1916年3月浙江杭州寄北京農商部中式封,銷杭州(洪憲)元年日戳,旁蓋北京(洪憲)元年廿三日到達戳及杭州圓形信箱戳。上品。

...... Start Price **HK\$1,200**









Note: Emperor Yuan Shih Kai abdicated on March 23, 1916 but Yuan Nian c.d.s. was still used in Chengtu.









1916 (Mar 23) red band cover from Szechuan Chengtu double registered to Peking, f.w. Junk issue 5c (trimmed at top) and 8c, tied by clear Chengtu (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with double registered cachet. On reverse with Peking (Minguo) 5th Year arrival. VF-F. March 23th is the last day of Hunghsien Empire, hence Peking used 5th Year cds. as arrival.









5355 1916 (Mar 25) Junk 1c postal card from Shansi Sinchow to Kweihwa City, tied by Sinchow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Taichow (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit and on reverse with Kweihwa (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. Card with small tear and light fold marks. F-VF. All postmarks still applied (Hunghsien) 1st Year for date, although the Hunghsien Empire was ended on Mar 23th, 1916.









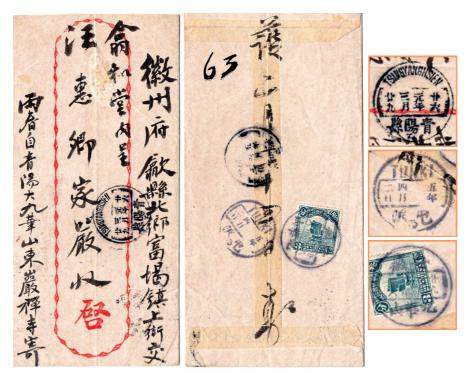
1916 (Mar 26) Junk 1c postal card from Kwnagtung Chaochow to Shanghai, one stamp off, tied by Chaochow (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., along with Swatow (Hunghsien) 1st Year transit transit and Shanghai bisected arrival. F-VF. Two Kwangtung postmarks still applied (Hunghsien) 1st Year for date, although the Hunghsien Empire was ended on Mar 23th, 1916.





1916 (Mar 28) red band cover from Hunan Changsha to Ichang, f.w. Junk issue 1c & 2c, tied by Changsha (Minguo) 5th Year cds., on reverse with Ichang HUN (Minguo) 5th Year arrival. VF-F.

1916年3月28日湖南長沙寄宜章中式封,貼帆船1分及2分票,銷長沙府(民國)五年日戳,旁蓋宜章縣(民國)五年到達戳。上品。此時洪憲帝國已經結束,郵戳上年份改回民國紀年。 Start Price HK\$800





1916 (Apr 6) Chiense style cover from Meihsien to Lilangwei, franked on reverse Junk issue 1c x 3, tied by Kwangtung Kayingchow (Hunghsien)

1st Year cds., along with Swatow bisected, Canton and Shumchun (Minguo) 5th Year transit and arrival. VF-F.

Note: Yuan Nian datestamps ceased to be used across China in April, 1916 perhaps the replacement year slug hadn't arrived at Kayingchow post office.



1916 (Jun 1) Chiense style cover from Harbin to Machiaoho Station, f.w. Junk issue 3c, tied by rare Central Eastern Railway Manchuli-Suifengho Mail Route (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds. Cover toned. F-VF. It is the latest seen usage of "1st Year" depiction among Northeast China daters.

Note: This is an example of late usage of Yuan Yuan datestamp in June 1916 and the character Yuan is altered from 5th by excising two short strokes.



5362 1916 (**Feb 5**) **red band cover from Shansi Yangchuan to Peking,** f.w. Junk issue 1c, tied by Yangchuan (Hunghsien) 1st Year cds., on reverse with Peking (Hunghsien) 1st Year arrival. VF-F.
1916年2月5日山西陽泉寄北京中式紅條封,銷陽泉(洪憲)元年腰框日戳,背有北京(洪憲)元年到達戳。上品。 *Start Price* **HK\$1,500**



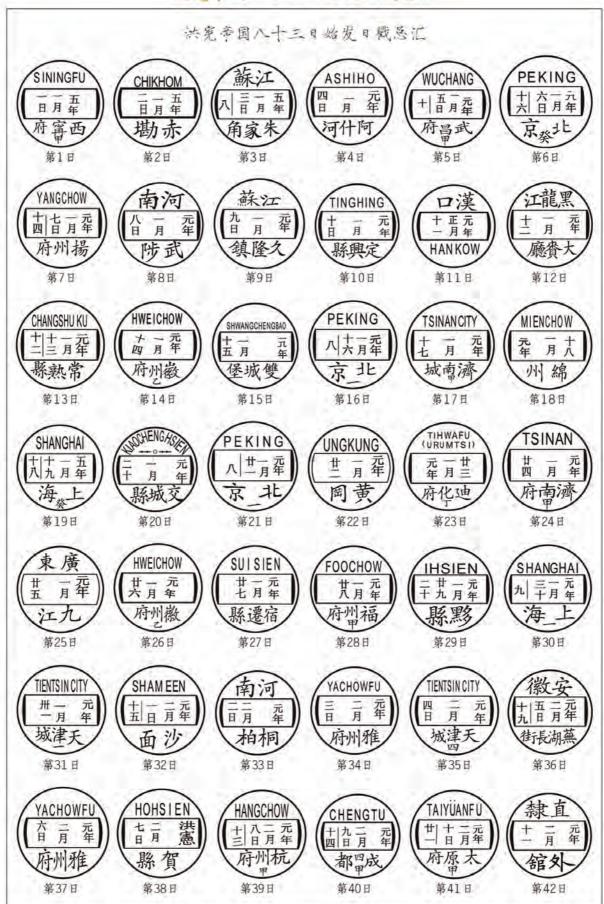
1916 a collection of 53 Junk Issues, all bearing (Hung Hsien)
1st Year of (Minguo) 5th Year cds., including many small town cds. A difficult gathering. VF-F.

1916年一組53枚銷洪憲年間郵戳的帆船舊票,包括(洪憲)元年及(民國) 五年等戳,裡面很多少見之小地名戳。上品。

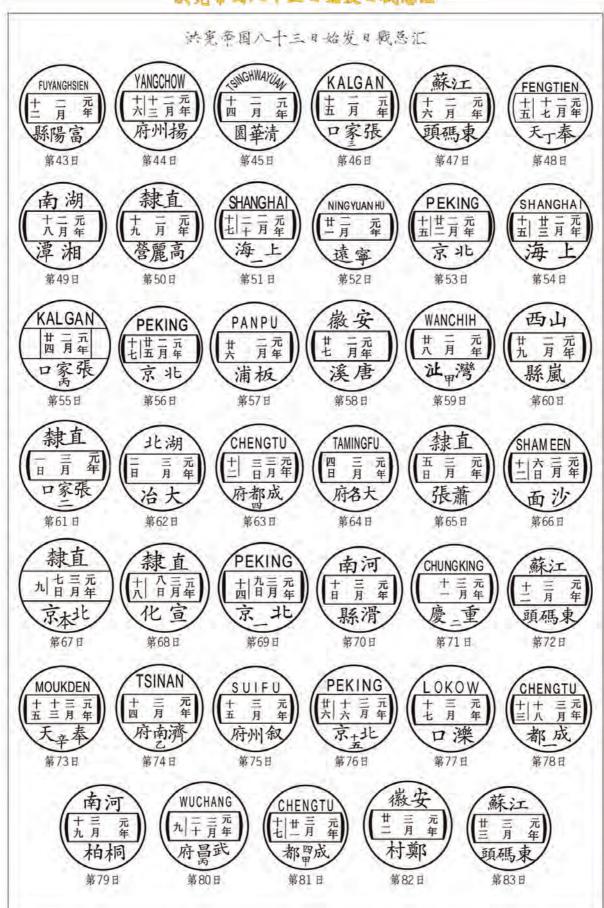
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大清帝國國家郵政時期 山東省及威海衛銷票戳演變摘要

EVOLUTION OF CANCELLATIONS IN SHANTUNG PROVINCE & WEIHAIWEI
DURING IMPERIAL CHINESE POST PERIOD 1897-1911

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拙作《地區郵集之一:山東及威海衛》在2005年9月出版後不久,英國的史實克(SPINK) 拍賣公司於同年11月在香港舉行了一次公開拍賣會,本人有幸增添數件心儀已久的郵封,打算在 五個地區郵集的專著全部出版後,開始編寫英文注釋時作爲補充資料用。由於研究福州總局和福州 城内分局的日戳演變過程時,本人得到極大啓發:原來從收集、研究或者展示郵戳,並非止於最 早、最晚使用日期及藏品外觀品相,反而應該深入研究每一類戳記爲何出現,其沿用時段和日後遭 受棄用的原因才是,如此一來郵戳將會變成一種富有生命的郵品,在郵壇的地位總有一天超越郵 資和郵路這兩類研究。

大清國家郵政時期,山東省和威海衛所使用的戳記可謂多彩多姿,把本人迷了四份之一個世紀,每當心曠神怡時總會分析自己爲何如此着迷,仍百思不得其解,直至研究福建省戳記演變時才恍然大悟:原來這迷人的元素是結合璨爛而緊凑的規範化和演化而形成的十個浪潮。有了結論後接下來是如何與郵友共享這份喜悦,埋頭苦幹了一星期後已有初稿,刻意以表格形式來標示十個浪潮,加入有關戳記的插圖增加閱讀興趣,再經芮偉松、周林兩位顧問的參詳後便完成以下表格。

Two months after the release of my first book entitled "Regional Collection No.1-Shantung Province and Weihaiwei" in September 2005, international auction house SPINK held a public auction in Hong Kong featuring the Weihaiwei collection formed by Mr. Charles Goodwin and to my sheer delight, I was able to acquire a few long awaited items which I intend to include as supplemental information in my explanatory notes covering the five regional collections. Whilst studying the evolution of cancellations from Foochow head office and Foochow City sub-office, I was addicted to a new type of experience to study why a particular cancellation appeared at that particular point in time, what were its functions and duties, why and when was the use of this cancellation discontinued. In so doing, the cancellation becomes, as it were, a living being observing strictly the natural law of evolution. If the philatelic public tries to look at cancellations in this entirely different perspective, they will be mesmerized by their ultimate findings that all cancellations of the Imperial Chinese Post period are "alive and kicking" and that they appear and disappear along with others in distinct waves of evolution or standardization. Once they reach that conclusion, it is not difficult to foresee that the status of cancellations will in future excel the status of two other specialized study topics of "postage" and "postal route".

The diversity of cancellations from Shantung Province and Weihaiwei in Imperial Post period had enchanted me for quarter of a century, I tried to look at them impartially and study the essence of their charm but to no avail. The study of evolution path relating to Foochow head office and Foochow City sub-office has unwittingly induced me to repeat the same exercise for Shantung Province and Weihaiwei, an exercise which ultimately revealed the magical element in the form of ten tightly intertwined waves of standardization and evolution. The joy of such a finding is too great to contain and a week's diligent efforts on my part produced the first draft, purposely using tabular form to record the ten waves, with insertion of appropriate cancellations to facilitate reading and the final version, after alterations and amendments from consultants Messrs. S. Juai and Zhou Lin, is listed here below.

(1) 1897年2月 第一波 過渡時期

(全英文海關日戳及八卦戳)

(1) FEB 1897 First Wave (Transition) (Customs dater & Pa Kua cancellations)

一八九七年二月,海關試辦郵政後之烟臺改組成爲大清帝國國家郵政局時,可供使用的 銷票戳僅有烟臺海關日戳(圖1)及八卦戳(圖2),前者墨色爲黑及棕色,後者墨色爲棕色。一 八九七年中旬,日本訂製的大圓戳到達後,海關日戳開始停用但八卦戳繼續如常使用,由於 八卦戳缺乏漢英文地名和日期的原故,因此銷票功能逐漸被英漢大圓戳取代。

(注:郵戳下之頁號指《地區郵集之一:山東及威海衛》書中頁號)





圖2 P42

When Customs Chefoo was reorganized to form Imperial Post Office Chefoo in February 1897, the only available cancellations were the CUSTOMS CHEFOO dater (fig.1) and the Pa Kua cancellation (fig.2), the former in black and brown colours and the latter in brown colour. With the arrival of the Dollar daters in mid 1897, the use of the Customs daters ceased forthwith, but the Pa Kua was still used as usual, but its use gradually discontinued in 1898 owing to lack of name and date.

(Note:Page no. under postmark refer to page no. of the book "Regional Collection No.1-Shantung Province & Weihaiwei")

(2)1897年6月

第二波 規範化

(英漢大圓日戳)

(2) JUN 1897

Second Wave (Standardisation)

(Dollar daters)

大清郵政總局在一八九七年五月份開始將其在日本訂製的英漢大圓戳分派給各郵區的總局 應用。就山東省而言,衹有烟臺一地分配到兩枚英漢大圓戳,戳式分爲Ⅰ型(圖 3)及Ⅱ型(圖 4), 衹是英文"FOO"出現極微的不同位置和中文"局"之極微字體差異來區分。據目前記録,烟 臺大圓戳使用日期自 1897 年 7 月 16 日至 1899 年 4 月 29 日。墨色見黑、藍、棕三種。另外,烟 臺大圓戳之一月 JAN(圖 5)及九月 SEP(圖 6)的寫法正確而没有錯誤,但到了 1898 年閏三月 時,烟臺郵局既不用閏三月,又不用閏月而錯誤地重用三月(圖7),成爲各地大圓戳僅有之例。











圖3 P45

圖4 P47

圖5 P43

圖6 P46

圖7 P44

Dollar daters made from Japan had been handed down to various head offices in May 1897 and Chefoo was the only post office in Shantung Province authorized to use these Dollar daters which lasted from July 16 1897 to April 29 1899. Two different types existed, distinguishable by noting the relative position of English alphabets FOO against a vertical and another 45 degree grid lines and a slight discrepancy in the shape of the character 局 (fig.3&4). These Dollar daters were used in blue, black and brown colours, the abbreviations JAN and SEP were both correct(fig. 5&6) but the same "Third" month(三月) was used again erroneously for the "Intercalary Third" month of 1898 (fig.7).

(3)1898年11月 第三波 演化

(英漢陰文式圓形銷票戳)

(3) NOV 1898 Third Wave (Evolution) (Circular negative seal type bilingual cancellations)

大清郵政總局在1899年2月15日發出的第15號通告裏已顯示了威海衛和登州府這兩個四 等郵局的存在。一直以來,大清郵政總局注意力都放在各郵區總局和一等郵局身上,根本無 法兼顧較低等級的郵局而任由其自行運作。一件由登州寄至美國的西式封上, 記録了登州郵 局在1898年11月時演化出一枚英漢陰文式圓形戳 (圖8), 英文 "POST OFFICE TENGCHOWFOO "排在兩圈上下之間而中文"登州府郵政局"排在内圈。威海衛郵局亦 曾沿用同類型英漢陰文式圓形戳 (圖9), 但英文字樣爲 "IMPERIAL POST OFFICE WEIHAIWEI",記録到的使用時間爲1899年3月。青州郵政局雖然開局較遲,但也凑熱鬧地採 用了"IMPERIAL POST OFFICE CHINGCHOW 青州郵政局"英漢陰文式圓形戳(圖10), 使用日期却遲了數年。





圖8 P148

圖10 P147

According to Postal Notification No. 15 dated February 15 1899, Imperial Post Office Weihaiwei was already in existence with Tengchowfoo, both 4th class post offices without any implicit authorization to make cancellation of their own. Tengchowfoo evolved a negative seal type circular cancellation with bilingual inscriptions "POST OFFICE TENGCHOWFOO 登州府郵政局"(fig.8) and was used on a 1898 cover to U.S.A. as issuing dater, the Japanese 10sen stamp being canceled by Shanghai I.J.P.O. dater of 25 NOV 98.

A similar negative seal type circular cancellation also evolved from Weihaiwei with bilingual inscriptions "IMPERIAL POST OFFICE WEIHAIWEI 威海衛郵政局"(fig.9) which canceled stamps on a March 1899 Sino-French combination cover to England and another cover to Shanghai around the same time (transit through Chefoo on March 17, 1899) in combination with Courier Post. Chingchow Post Office also adopted this circular negative seal type "IMPERIAL POST OFFICE CHINGCHOW 青 州郵政局" bilingual cancellation (fig.10) but its recorded usage was after 1900.

(4) 1899年4月

第四波 演化

(英漢橢圓形及雙圈型日戳)

(4) APR 1899 Fourth Wave (Evolution) (Oval or double circle bilingual daters)

威海衛租借地之大清郵政局順應外國居民之增加而需要一枚英漢日戳來銷票,自行在1899 年4月演化出37×21毫米英漢雙綫橢圓形日戳(圖11),其後因爲膠質的日戳損耗甚快,故此在 1899年11月至1900年6月之間又衍生了五款不同尺碼及框綫的橢圓形日戳來交替使用,並且均 爲單綫型,計爲 40 × 23(圖 12)、42 × 22(圖 13)、44 × 25(圖 14)、42 × 23(圖 15)及 44 × 22(圖 16)。



圖11 P264

圖14 P270

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圖12 P268

圖15 P271



圖13 P269

圖16 P272

Weihaiwei Post Office soon found the negative seal type cancellation ineffective because of lack of date. As more and more foreign residents arrived in Weihaiwei, this 4th class Imperial Chinese Post Office evolved another 37×21 mm double frame type oval bilingual dater(fig.11), with earliest usage on April 22,1899. The rubber daters began to show wear and tear half a year later, and from November 1899 to June 1900 five different single frame new types appeared: 40×23 mm(fig.12), 42×22 mm(fig.13), 44×25 mm(fig.14), 42×23 mm(fig.15) and 44×22 mm(fig.16).

由於洋人的聚居,另一間支局在威海衛往劉公島的碼頭附近開業,其所沿用的英漢日戰爲雙圈式,"WEIHAIWEI 威海衛郵政局"放置在兩圈上下之中而英文月(3個字母)及日、年(僅用兩位數)置在內圈中央,在最初使用時,年份99誤植爲90(圖17)。山東省其他郵局中,衹有黄縣(HWANGHSIEN)一地曾在1901至1902年間也採用同類型日戳(圖18)。





圖17 P256

圖18 P14:

A branch post office opened at the ferry point of Ma Tau in the walled city of Weihaiwei and it evolved a double circle bilingual type dater with inscriptions "WEIHAIWEI 威海衛郵政局" arranged between circles and the month/day/year arranged in two horizontal rows in the centre of the inner circle (fig.17). Hwanghsien was the only post office in Shantung Province to have produced similar type of dater (fig.18).

本人認爲山東省其他郵政支局也十分渴望採用英漢日戳。他們似乎静觀其變,等待大清郵政總局怎樣處置威海衛這個擅自製造英漢日戳的四等郵局。但經過數月的期待後,萊州(圖19)和膠州(圖37I)兩局却率先在1899年7月份採用英漢文橢圓形日戳,其他16處郵局相繼跟隨,支局分别爲昌樂(圖20)、濟南(圖21)、青州(圖22)、周村(圖23)、黄縣(圖24)、高密(圖25)、沂州(圖26)、萊陽(圖27)、寧海(圖28)、平度(圖29)、沙河(圖30)、泰安(圖31)、登州(圖32)、濟寧(圖33)、鄒平(圖34)和維縣(圖35),使用日期最晚見青州1904年5月一例(圖36)。



Other post offices in Shantung Province did not dare to follow Weihaiwei in adopting a bilingual dater and they waited to see the reaction of the Postal Administration Head Office towards the unauthorized adoption of cancellations on Weihaiwei's part. Three months had elapsed and the Postal

Administration Head Office was still silent on this issue. Laichow(fig.19), and Kiaochow(fig.37I) produced their version of the oval bilingual daters in July 1899, soon followed by 16 other post offices of Changlo (fig.20), Chinan (fig.21), Chingchow (fig.22), Choutsun (fig.23), Hwanghsien (fig.24), Kaomi (fig.25), Ichow (fig.26), Laiyang (fig.27), Ninghai (fig.28), Pingtu (fig.29), Shaho (fig.30), Taian (fig.31), Tengchow (fig.32), Chining (fig.33), Tsouping (fig.34) and Weihsien (fig.35). The use of these oval bilingual daters lasted until May 1904 (Chingchow, fig.36) when they were replaced by the standardized lunar year daters. For Weihaiwei, the activities of the Boxer Movement had forced the post office to be relocated to Liu Kung Tau and the use of oval bilingual daters ceased around June 1900.

膠州郵政局爲國際交换局,郵務繁忙,局員衆多,衹依靠1899年6月份下發的漢英單 緩半切圓形日戳是不敷應用的,終於耐不住而衍生了16款不同尺碼、月/日/年或日/月/年 排列方式、六角或八角星飾來區分的橢圓形英漢日戳,方便與日俱增的支局或各郵務人員使用, 無形中以戳式的些微區别來厘定職責誰屬。總共16型以圖37展示。



Kiaochow Post Office evolved 16 different types of oval bilingual daters for use by its many postal staff and branch offices, bearing in mind that Kiaochow was an international exchange station, handling quite an amount of foreign mail to Europe via the German Post Office Kiautschou. These 16 types are collectively shown in fig.37.

(5)1899年6月 第五波 規範化 (漢英半切圓形日戳)

(5) JUN 1899 Fifth Wave (Standardization) (Circular bisected bilingual daters)

大清郵政總局在1899年4月份開始下發小型25毫米漢英單綫半切圓形日戳給全國各郵區總局及一等郵局,並同時要求各局退回大圓戳注銷。以山東省而言,僅有烟臺、膠州及濟南三局獲派此類日戳,使用時間自1899下半年直至民國年間。烟臺漢英單綫半切日戳分兩型。第一型約1899至1900年間,戳内六個英文字母排列不均:如CH_EF_OO(圖38),第二型到了1902年後,所有六個字母均匀排列戳内(圖39)。濟南也顯示了一些獨特的變化,英文名稱初爲

CHINAN (圖 40), 到了 1909 年時, CH 兩個字母被鏟去, 形成了不倫不類的 "…INAN" (圖 41), 這種情况持續至民國元年(1912 年)時才正式採用 TSINAN, 尤其 1912 年日戳內漢英文字比較小(圖 42), 而 1913 年日戳內漢英文字較大(圖 43)。膠州日戳則相當規範, 唯一特點是用一位或兩位數字來顯示年份(圖 44, 45)。



The Postal Administration Head Office handed down a smaller 25mm circular bisected bilingual daters to various head and 1st class offices for use on international mail items as from April 1899, Chefoo, Chinan, Kiaochow were the only three offices in Shantung Province eligible to use such daters. The 1899 and 1900 examples of Chefoo bisected bilingual daters showed uneven spacing of English alphabets: CH_EF_OO (fig.38) but later example in 1902 showed even spacing of these alphabets (fig.39). The Chinan bisected bilingual dater was used at a later date, initially the spelling was CHINAN (fig.40) and the outer circle was very thin. Later examples showed wear and tear to the outer circle, and still later in 1909, a new type had been recorded with CH excised to read "---INAN" (fig.41). Finally in 1912, two different types TSINAN bisected bilingual daters emerged, one with smaller English and Chinese characters (fig.42), the other with larger characters (fig.43). The Kiaochow type was quite standardized, it used one or two numerals to indicate the year (fig. 44&45).

In view of its size, the bisected bilingual dater did not have much "room" to evolve simply because the insertion of indicative numerals or characters would make the dater look aukward. Kiaochow was happy with its diversified range of oval bilingual daters, Chinan evolved circular type non standard dater and cancellations but Chefoo stuck to the rule by using this bisected bilingual dater together with various nameplate cancellations described hereinafter.

(6)1899年6月及10月

第六波 規範化

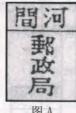
(矩形或圓形牌號戳)

(6) JUN/OCT 1899

Sixth Wave (Standardization)

(Circular/Rectangular Nameplate cancellations)

1899年6月26日大清郵政總局下發通令: 内地分局不會獲派戳記, 各局自行依圖示製造矩形兩格式牌號戳, 上格置局名, 下格置"郵政局"字樣如圖 A。同年10月15日, 郵政通告15號授意郵局招攬鋪商代辦郵政並可自行製造矩形兩格式牌號戳如圖 B。





According to a letter from the Postmaster General dated June 26 1899, no daters had been distributed to inland sub-offices but they were to make wooden cancellations of the type shown in fig. A with post office name in the upper segment and Post Office(郵政局) below. A few months later on October 15 1899 another circular from the Postmaster General instructed post offices to enroll the services of shop merchants as postal agencies and authorized the use of cancellation shown in fig. B.

山東各地郵局依例辦事者衆,一絲不變地採用A型者有德州、高密、王台、濟南、靈山衛、青州、台兒莊、柳疃、齊河、泰安府、周村、鄒平和潍縣,潍縣更採用"郵政官局"雙重標準字樣,亦有某些地方郵政局產生輕微變化者如登州(無外框)。此外,也有些郵政局採用圓形兩格或三格式戳記,文字內容與矩形牌號戳相同,計有濟南、周村(三格式)兩款,上述17款A型戳記一併以圖46列出。



圖 46 A型

Many post offices in Shantung Province complied with above instruction and produced standardized cancellations now listed as type A, including Tehchow, Kaomi, Wangtai, Chinan, Linshanwei, Chingchow, Taierchwang, Liutuan, Tsiho, Taianfu, Choutsun, Tsouping and Weihsien. Slight variations occurred in two types, namely Tengchow (frameless) and Weihsien "Official"(官局) Post Office. Chinan and Choutsun Post Offices preferred circular type but the inscriptions were the same. All these type A examples are collectively illustrated as fig. 46.

有些郵局選用較大字型列出局名,故此將 A 型兩格内的文字换了位置而讀成上格"郵政局"、下格局名,因爲從 A 型衍生而出,所以列爲 A1 型,採用此類矩形戳記的郵局計有:沙河、寧海、即墨、濟寧州、兖州府、劉公島、威海衛(有框及無框)、萊州和蒙陰縣等局,圓形戳記有兖州府和濟寧州,一并以圖 47 顯示。



圖 47 A1型



LIUKUNGTAU



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YENCHOWFU

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圖 47 A1型

Some post offices changed the position of office name and 郵政局(Post Office) so that the office name can be more conspicuous and the ten rectangular types from Shaho, Ninghai, Chimo, Tsiningchow, Yenchowfu, Liu Kung Tau, Weihaiwei, Weihaiwe (frameless), Laichow, Mongyinhsien and two circular types from Yenchowfu and Tsiningchow collectively illustrated in fig. 47 are classified under type A1.

採用 B 型戳記的代辦所録得十款: 登州壹、昌樂壹、烟台壹、即墨縣城陽壹、景芝 壹、青州壹、淄川二、金鄉五、泰安五和冠縣十一,總括以圖 48 來記録。



圖 48 B型

Ten postal agencies adopted the type B cancellations: Tengchow/One, Chonglok/One, Chefoo/ One, Chimo Hsien Yangcheng/One, Kingchih/One, Chingchow/One, Tzechuan/Two, Kinshang/Five, Taian/Five and Koonhsien/Eleven collectively illustated in fig. 48.

以下六枚戳記不用數字而用其他文字列明分局、支局或代辦所的身份:鴻順德代理郵政 分局、潍縣郵政分局(二)、昌邑代辦分局、臨朐代辦分局、圓形有龍口郵政分局和陰文臨朐經理 分局,因爲是從B型衍生出來,所以全部列爲B1型,一併以圖49顯示。



HUNG SHUN TEH POSTAL BOX OFFICE AGENCY P164



WEIHSIEN POSTAL SUB-OFFICE NO. 2 P165



CHONGYEH BOX OFFICE AGENCY



LINCHU BOX OFFICE **AGENCY** P148



LUNGKOW POSTAL SUB-OFFICE

P150



LINCHU BOX OFFICE AGENCY P148

圖 49 B1 型

Six postal agencies used Chinese characters to denote sub-office or postal agency instead of using numbers: Hung Shun Teh Postal Box Office Agency, Weihsien Postal Sub-office No.2, Chongyeh

Box Office Agency, Linchu Box Office Agency, circular Lungkow Postal Sub-office and negative type circular Linchu Box Office Agency all illustated in fig. 49 are classified under type B1.

另有一種矩形戳式衹列名稱,但無其他文字或數字來區别分局、支局或代辦所,一併 列爲 C 型, 記録到款式有青州府(陰文)、趙村、流廷、紅石崖和靈山衛五款, 以總括以圖 50展示。

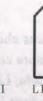


CHINGCHOWFU P166



LIUTING

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P168 圖 50 C型

Another rectangular type cancellation with name of sub-office or postal agency only, without any other letters or numbers are classified as type C, five types from Chingchowfu (negative type), Chaotsun, Liuting, Hungshihyai and Linshanwei are collectively shown in fig. 50.

所可喜者此等牌號戳也自行演化,登州加入分局地址(圖51),另有六款加入光緒和宣統 年號, 計爲滕縣(圖 52)、沙鎮(圖 53)、黄河涯(圖 54)、界首(圖 55)、沂州(圖 56)及泰安(圖 57), 此 七款列爲D型。



TENGCHOW 圖 51 P162



TENGHSTEN 圖 52 P103



圖 53 P170



圖 54 P171



圖 55 P170



圖 56 P144



圖 57 P100

Additions of extra characters inside the cancellation to give more information occurred and this is evolution within standardization when Tengchow type included the address(fig.51), six other types from Tenghsien(fig.52), Shacheng(fig.53), Wanghoyai(fig.54), Kaishou(fig.55), Ichow(fig.56) and Taian (fig.57) all included space to fill in regal year calendars of Guan Xu(光緒) or Xuan Tong(盲統), month and date, these improved types are classified as type D.

圓形的牌號戳也不停地演化,滕縣加多了英文 TENGHSIEN POST(圖 58),其它源自狗皮集、 東村集和潮水集(圖 59、60、61)、文登營(圖 62)、昌邑夏店(圖 63)及平度門村(圖 64)的圓形三格 式牌號戳都比大清郵政總局通告内的款式優勝。



TENGHSIEN 圖 58 P146



KOUPICHAK 圖 59 P149



TUNGTSUNCHAK CHAOSHUICHAK 圖 60 P150



圖 61 P150



WENTENGYIN 圖 62 P150



HSIATIEN 圖 63 P151



PINGTII MUNTSUN 圖 64 P152

Circular types from Tenghsien added English name of Tenghsien Post (fig.58), other three segment types from Koupichak, Tungtsunchak, Chaoshuichak(fig.59, 60, 61), Wentengyin(fig.62), Hsiatien (fig.63) and Pingtu Muntsun(fig.64) all showed improvement to the nameplate type specified in the postal notices.

威海衛沿用的漢英橢圓形日戳及碼頭沿用的漢英雙圈日戳在 1900 年 6 月突然失去踪迹,原來 "義和團運動" 席卷山東及直隸省,1900 年 5 月時山東居民與正在勘察租借地界的英國士兵發生衝突,爲了安全起見,威海衛郵局移址劉公島上並開始沿用矩形兩格 A1 型牌號戳,理由有二:其一是依 15 號通告與其他郵局一起採用牌號戳,其二是中文牌號戳在該時該地可避免仇外者的注意。劉公島的 A1 型牌號戳(圖 65)在 1900 年 7 月已發現使用 (P255 是目前最早實寄封使用日期),到了 1901 年 2 月時威海衛郵局搬回舊城内也沿用矩形兩格式 A1 型牌號戳(圖 66),另有一款無外框牌號戳(圖 67)曾在 1902 年使用。







圖 65 P255

圖 66 P254

圖 67 P254

By the time Weihaiwei Post Office relocated to the island of Liu Kung Tau around June 1900, it wisely adopted type A1 nameplate cancellation (fig.65) because bilingual daters were more likely to attract anti-foreign hostilities. As a matter of fact, the Liu Kung Tau type was used first around July 1900, and when the influence of the Boxer Movement subsided, Weihaiwei Post Office moved back to the walled city and began to use nameplate type Weihaiwei cancellation (fig.66) in February 1901. The frameless Weihaiwei type was used at a still later date (fig.67) in 1902.

- (7) 1901 年尾至 1902 年初 第七波 演化 (全漢文日月戳及圓形不規則日戳)
- (7) LATE 1901 to EARLY 1902 Seventh Wave (Circular Chinese Language non standard, sun & moon daters)

二十世紀初,交通漸趨便利,郵政官局的營運效率亦促使民間郵件從民信局轉移至各地郵局,一般市民十分在意郵件發出及到達的時間,濟南郵局不知何故在光緒廿七年冬月(1901年12月)沿用了漢文不規則圓形日戳(圖68);這個先例立即招來不少追隨者,真不知哪個郵局將局名放在上方,郵政局三字放在下方,中文年月日用兩橫行六位數字居中來顯示,兩邊再加上日形(左方)及月形(右方)後,大名鼎鼎的日月戳於焉誕生了。總共十四個郵局採用日月戳,當中也有不少變異,其中"日"形中的黑點變爲小圓圈或者外圈消失;"月"形可以似新月或半圓形,正中年月日的排列及閱讀方式更是多彩多姿。1903年時之"閏五月",在日月戳內顯示方式有兩種,用ヌ(月)(圖69、70)或ヌ五(月)(圖71)。

使用日月戳的十四個郵局分别爲安邱(圖73)、昌樂(圖74)、即墨(圖70)、青州(圖69)、 周村(圖75)、諸城(圖71)、莒州(圖76)、沂州(圖77)、沂水(圖78)、平度(圖79)、博山 (圖80)、鄒平(圖81)、兖州(圖82)及潍縣(圖83)。

齊河郵局曾在光緒廿六年五月(1900年6月)衍生了一款類似英漢大圓戳的不規則日戳(圖84),但這衹是個别例子,並無影響到其他郵局而產生演化波浪,故而順帶一提以增趣味。





Even though only Hwanghsien Post Office adopted similar type double circle bilingual dater (fig.18) evolved from Ma Tau Post Office, the need for a dater instead of a dateless cancellation was overwhelming at the turn of the century when the efficiency of the official postal system had won over many clients from Min Hsin Chu's and both the sender and the recipient of mail items paid keen attention to the dates of dispatch and receipt. Chinan Post Office evolved, in December 1901, a circular Chinese language type non standard dater with 濟南府郵政局(Chinan Post Office) arranged around the circumference and year/month/date in two horizontal rows in the centre (fig.68).

It is still yet unascertained as to which post office first invented the circular sun and moon dater, but the size and arrangement is quite similar to the non standard Chinan type described hereinabove with the inclusion of the sun figure at the left and moon figure at right, the post office name was placed at top and three characters 郵政局(Post Office) at bottom instead of being arranged around the circumference, year/month/date expressed in 6 characters in two horizontal rows at the centre.

An intercalary "Fifth" month occurred in 1903 and a simple Chinese character $\not \equiv$ had been used, sometimes it was singly as $\not \equiv$ at other times to combine with $\not \equiv$ to read $\not \equiv$ $\not \equiv$; examples from Chingchow (fig.69), Chimo (fig.70) and Chucheng (fig.71) had been recorded.

Fourteen post offices in Shangtung Province adopted this unique type sun and moon daters: Ankiu (fig.73), Changlo (fig.74), Chimo (fig.70), Chingchow (fig.69), Choutsun (fig.75), Chucheng (fig.71), Chuchow (fig.76), Ichow (fig.77), Ishui (fig.78), Pingtu (fig.79), Pokshan (fig.80), Tsouping (fig.81), Yenchow (fig.82) and Weihsien (fig.83) with usage period from January 1902 to April 1904.

Tsiho Post Office evolved a Dollar dater type non-standard dater (fig.84) in June 1900, but this was an isolated incident which did not trigger any wave of evolution and is hence included here for interests sake.

(8)1902年7月至8月 第八波 演化 (漢文及英漢粗圈日戳)

(8) JUL to AUG 1902 Eighth Wave (Evolution) (Thick outer circle non-standard daters)

1902年底,西伯利亞火車通車,寄往歐州郵件倍增,劉公島使用的牌號戳既無英文地名又無日期,將由1902年7月份首次出現的英漢雙圈粗外綫日戳所取代,該戳的外圈特别粗肥,"劉公島 LIU KUNG TAU 威海衛 WEIHAIWEI"字樣放置兩圈上下居中及左右兩側,日月年分三行竪排於內圈(圖85),最早使用日期爲1902年7月,最遲使用日期爲1904年3月。碼頭郵政支局(MA TAU)亦在1902年7月至1903年3月間使用同類型日戳(圖86),後來"碼

頭"改名爲"愛德華港"(PORT EDWARD), 戳内字樣也相應更改(圖87), 而愛德華港日戳也從1903年4月沿用至1904年1月。隨着愛德華港的英國郵局在1904年4月1日開業, 劉公島及愛德華港之大清郵局因業務驟降隨即關閉。

上述劉公島、碼頭及愛德華港寄出海外的郵件,絕大多數交烟臺俄國客郵循中東及西伯利 亞鐵路至歐洲各地。當時烟臺的郵務局長十分在意按規收取威海衛到烟臺的一分內陸郵資,故 此在1902年底時,劉公島日戳採用紅色油墨來蓋銷郵封上的一分郵資,估計後來因爲紅色日 戳可能令郵件被當作欠資郵件處理,因此改用紫色、藍色或黑色油墨,更使這類日戳多彩多姿。







圖86 P281



圖87 P283

In late 1902, the Siberian Railway became operative and the amount of mail items to Europe via this railway surged when the Liu Kung Tau nameplate type cancellation became inefficient because it lacked English name and date. A new double circle type bilingual dater with thick outer circle evolved from Liu Kung Tau (fig.85) and Ma Tau (fig.86) in July 1902, the former used until March 1904 and the latter used until March 1903 when the name "Ma Tau" was formally changed to "Port Edward" and similar type dater from Port Edward (fig.87) was used from April 1903 to January 1904. This type of daters had been used in colours of vermilion, blue, purple and black. The vermilion ink was purposely used to cancel the 1c inland postage from Liu Kung Tau/Ma Tau/Port Edward to Chefoo, probably requested by the Postmaster at Chefoo.

With the opening of the British Post Office in Port Edward on April 1 1904, the Chinese Post Offices in Port Edward and Liu Kung Tau closed because sharp decline in business.

大清時期,威海衛郵政日戳一直是山東省日戳的靈泉,一點一滴都不容浪費。在劉公島日戳出現後不久的一個月間,山東省的寧海郵局衍生了一款漢文單圈三格式粗綫日戳,上格年月日分三行竪式排列,中格爲橫向"大清郵政分局",下格竪排爲山東寧海。 這種日戳極似日式日戳,但山東省受德國影響多於日本,故此從日本日戳獲取靈感的可能性不大,就時間觀念(即距英漢粗圈日戳相隔一個月)來看,再次參考威海衛日戳的可能性極大,但戳内文字和排列也着實改變了不少! 山東省總共有 18 個郵局行用此類日戳,分别是黄縣、萊州、萊陽、臨青、蒙陰、寧海、博山、沙河、石島、泰安、登州、滕縣、曹州、齊河、濟寧、東昌、文登及武定,到了 1903 年閏五月時,日戳內月份正確地顯示了閏五月。圖 88 總括記録了 18 局日 翻及一此閏日例子



This thick outer circle type daters from Liu Kung Tau / Ma Tau had given inspiration to other post offices in Shantung Province, the latter improvised some adaptations and evolved their own thick circle three segment type Chinese language daters used by the following 18 post offices: Hwanghsien, Laichow, Laiyang, Lintsing, Mongyin, Ninghai, Pokshan, Shaho, Shihtao, Taian, Tengchow, Tenghsien, Tsaochow, Tsiho, Tsining, Tungchang, Wenteng and Wuting with usage period from August 1902 to May 1904, collectively shown as (fig. 88). Unarguably, this type resembled the Japanese daters but since Shantung was more under German than Japanese influence, the inspiration must have come from Weihaiwei again, the earliest usage was coincidentally one month later than the thick ring bilingual type from Liu Kung Tau. An Intercalary Fifth month occurred in 1903 and many examples indicated that the proper wording of Intercalary Fifth Month (閏五月) was included in this type of daters.

(9)1904年3月

第九波 規範化 (漢文單圈及雙圈實綫三格式十支日戳)

(9) MAR 1904

Ninth Wave (Standardization)

(Single/Double circle three segment lunar year daters)

1903年11月26日,郵政總辦通札第93號規定,國内日戳取用陰曆干支紀年,從1904 年開始使用,最初的戳式外圈單綫或雙綫,圈内兩條橫綫將戳分爲三格,上格省名,中格爲干 支紀年的年月日,下格地名。内地衆多郵局紛紛向郵政總局要求訂購日本製造商生産的這款 干支日戳,但山東省一些級别較低之小郵局却自行製造了膠質日戳並於甲辰二月(1904.3)開始使 用,據目前記録這款單圈型日戳最早見山東長山甲辰年二月八日(圖89),另雙圈型最早見山東 周村也是甲辰二月八日(圖90)。山東省這類干支日戳一直沿用至壬子(1912)年,單圈的壬子戳 見濟寧(圖91)和兖州(圖92),雙圈壬子戳未有記録。

威海衛郵局曾於甲辰年採用雙圈干支戳,據説在寄往日本的郵資片上蓋銷符志和半分 票,該時正值日俄戰争,所以郵件數目驟降。到了乙巳(1905)年及丙午(1906)年時,威海衛郵局 干支雙圈日戳曾在實寄封及明信片上用作到步戳(圖93,94)。











圖89

圖90

圖91 P196

圖92 P197

圖93

Postal Notification No. 93 issued by the Postmaster General on November 26 1903 decreed the

use of circular three segmented daters with name of province at top, name of post office at bottom, lunar year/month/date at middle in three vertical rows. Some post offices ordered this type of lunar year daters from Japanese makers and these began to arrive around end March, 1904. Many post offices in Shangtung Province did not bother to order their daters from Japan, they

made their own lunar year daters, when Changshan and Choutsun began to use both the single ring (fig.89) and double ring (fig.90) types simultaneously on the 8th day, 2nd month of the year Chia Chen (甲辰二月八日.1904.3.24).

Russo Japanese War broke out on Chinese soil in early 1904 when the operation of the Central Eastern Railway was interrupted and amount of mail items dropped drastically, which explained why the Chia Chen (甲辰,1904) lunar year dater from Weihaiwei is so scarce. Several items in the collection recorded Yi Si (乙巳,1905) (fig.93) and Bing Wu (丙午,1906) (fig.94) daters on covers or post cards.

With the appearance of the circular central box type lunar year daters, higher ranking post

offices which handle international mail items prefered the bilingual circular central box type lunar year daters, but lower ranking post offices still used single and double ring type lunar year daters until Ren Zi (壬子,1912) as illustrated by single ring types from Tsining (fig.91) and Yenchow (fig.92).

(10) 1906 (丙午) 年 第十波 規範化 (漢文、漢英、英漢腰框形干支日戳) (10) MID 1906 Tenth Wave (Circular central box (Standardization) type lunar year daters)

丙午年閏月(1906年5月)開始,江蘇省鎮江郵局已開始採用腰框形全漢文干支戳,過了不久,直隸省的塘沽郵局在丙午年九月演化了"塘沽/TANGKU"腰框形漢英干支戳,後來郵政總局將漢英戳規範爲一等郵局以上使用的標準日戳,其他次等郵局如有需要可以採用英漢式。

山東省最早見漢文腰框形日戳爲烟臺丙午五月初一(圖95); 漢英腰框形日戳衹有烟臺、濟南和膠州三局使用(圖96、97、98); 其他各局使用英漢文腰框形者較多。三種腰框型干支戳沿用至辛亥(1911)年止,衹有青州、周村和博山郵局出現了令人可喜的1912年"壬子"日戳(圖99、100、101),而博山於1913年採用了干支和民國紀年並用的癸丑二年日戳(圖102)。

威海衛郵局何時使用漢文腰框形干支日戳仍未有定案,因爲在實寄封及明信片上衹記録 到英漢式己酉年(1909年)(圖103)和庚戌年(1910年)(圖104)日戳,或許很大機會漢文腰 框形日戳未曾使用過也不定。

濟南郵局在庚戌(1910)年時採用了較大型 28 毫米全漢文三格式干支日戳 (圖 105), 甚爲特别, 順此一提。



The Postal Administration Head Office handed down in 1906, a larger circular type lunar year dater with central box containing the lunar year/month/date. Initially, Chinese language types were first used, with name of province at top and post office name at bottom. At that point in time, the great expansion was taking place and Tangku Post Office in Chili Province evolved a bilingual type with 排 at top segment and TANGKU at bottom segment. As far as Shantung Province is concerned, the earliest usage of Chinese language circular central box type lunar year dater originated from Chefoo on 1st day of 5th month in the year Bing Wu (丙午五月初一,1906.6.22) (fig.95). Chefoo (fig.96), Tsinan (fig.97) and Kiaochow (fig.98) were the three post offices in Shantung Province to have adopted the bilingual Chinese/English circular central box type lunar year dater whilst other lower ranking post offices followed another evolutionary wave and adopted the bilingual English/Chinese dater.

Unlike Peking, Tientsin and Shanghai which had utilized "room" within the larger circular central box type dater to insert characters to denote sub-office, collecting beats, hours etc., the circular central box type lunar year daters from Shantung Province was pretty much standard and without

variation or evolution until 1913 when Chingchow (fig.99), Choutsun (fig.100) and Pokshan (fig.101) post offices still adopted lunar year of Ren Zi (壬子, lunar year for1912). In the ensuing year however, Pokshan evolved the rare dual year type dater with year notations of Gui Chou (癸丑, lunar year for 1913) alongside 年(second year of the Republic)(fig.102).

It is still uncertain whether Weihaiwei had begun to use the Chinese language circular central box type lunar year dater as from 1906 or the Chinese/English type from 1907. The circular central box English/Chinese type lunar year dater from Weihaiwei had been recorded from Ji You (己酉,1909) (fig. 103), Gan Xu (庚戌) (fig.104) to Xin Hai (辛亥,1911) and these are very scarce indeed.

The large three segment type Chinese language lunar dater from Chinan (fig.105) is included here as a subject of interest.

在干支日戳廣泛使用的 1904 至 1911 年間, 碰上了三次閏月,即两午閏四月、己酉閏二月和辛亥閏六月。一般來說,月份用閏月便可,但有些郵局却十分仔細,他們沿用閏四、閏二或閏六,更有甚者多加中西曆法並用,組成兩竪行"閏月二月"或"閏月六月"。本人記録到山東省閏月干支日戳如下:東昌丙午年閏月(圖 106),濟南丙午年閏月(圖 107),即墨己酉年閏二(圖 108)及濟寧辛亥年閏月(圖 109)。



During the period when the lunar year daters had been used from 1904 to 1911 inclusive, intercalary month occurred on three occasions, being intercalary 4th month of Bing Wu (丙午, 1906), intercalary 2nd month of Ji You (己酉,1909) and intercalary 6th month of Xin Hai (辛亥,1911). Normally, the word "intercalary"(閏)replaced the month numeral but in some cases, the Chinese character "month" was taken out as well and replaced by "Intercalary Fourth"(閏四), "Intercalary Second"(閏二) or "Intercalary Sixth"(閏六) while other types used two columns to denote the month such as "Intercalary Month/Second Month" (閏月二月,1909) and "Intercalary Month/Sixth Month"(閏月六月,1911). Four examples are listed here being intercalary month of Bing Wu (丙午,1906) from Tungchang (fig. 106), Chinan (fig.107), "Intercalary Second" of Ji You (己酉,1909) from Chimo (fig.108) and intercalary month of Xin Hai (辛亥,1911) from Tsining (fig.109).

中華民國在1912年元旦成立後,通令各地郵局以民國紀年代替干支紀年,漢英圓形半切日戳仍可繼續使用,牌號戳及不規則日戳逐漸被正規日戳所取替,大清帝國郵政日戳之演化舞臺也隨即落幕。

Zhong Hua Min Kuo (中華民國) was founded on January 1 1912 and the lunar year notation in regular daters was decreed to be changed to 元年(first year of the Republic). Circular bisected bilingual daters could still be used as international dater and to some extent, the nameplate cancellation would also be tolerated at the initial stages of the Republic.

附録: 威海衛/碼頭/劉公島銷票戳分類表

Appendix: Classification of cancellations from Weihaiwei/Ma Tau/Liu Kung Tau

這個位於英國租借地内的威海衛大清四等郵局,筆者以她的日戳出現先後,可順序排列分爲七大類,比較起這二十年來由耳熟能詳的英國集郵名家柏齊特 PETER I. PADGET 所區分的十一類更爲適當,理由如下:(1)柏氏第 I 型爲日本客郵時期軍郵日戳,而非威海衛大清分

局使用的英漢陰文圓形戳,應該更正。(2)柏氏將英漢橢圓形日戳列爲V、W、W三種型號,但筆者認爲橢圓形日戳使用日期較早,現提議列爲II型,至于不同的尺碼規格或框綫花飾以II a、II b、II c、II d、II e、II f來區分。(3)矩形雙格牌號戳在遷址劉公島後才面世,故此應排列在碼頭郵局III型英漢雙圈日戳後成爲Wa型,把加入遷回原址後沿用的矩形雙格威海衛列爲Wb型和無框的列爲Wc型。(4)柏氏將英漢粗外圈日戳列爲WI、IX、X型,本人提議列入V型再分爲劉公島Va、碼頭Vb、碼頭(愛德華港)Vc。(5)柏氏漏列全漢文雙圈干支日戳,本人提議加入爲W型,至於英漢腰框形干支戳也順序排列成爲W型。上述七大類戳記亦以表格方式顯示如下。

The cancellations used by the fourth class Chinese Post Office Weihaiwei situated within British leased territory during the Imperial Chinese Post Office period can best be classified into seven categories according to their chronological sequence, in an effort to replace the previous classification into eleven types by Peter I. Padget for the following reasons: (a) Padget listed Japanese Post Office Army dater as type I and since this did not originate from the Imperial Chinese Post Office, it ought to be replaced by the negative seal type used by Imperial Chinese Post Office in Weihaiwei, (b) the oval bilingual daters were listed as types V, VI and VII, but since these had been used earlier than the other types, I suggest to include them under type II, with sub-types IIa, IIb, IIc, IId, IIe and IIf to differentiate size, double or single outer frames, (c) rectangular two segment Liu Kung Tau Post Office nameplate type cancellation appeared after the double circle bilingual type III dater from Ma Tau Post Office and is hence classified as type IV a, similar type for Weihaiwei as type IV b and the frameless Weihaiwei as type IV c, (d) the thick outer circle bilingual types from Liu Kung Tau, Ma Tau and Port Edward were previously classified under types VIII, IX and X but they belong to the same wave of evolution and are classified as types Va, Vb, Vc correspondingly, (e) the double circle all Chinese language/three segment type lunar year dater was missing from Padget's classification, I suggest to include it as type VI and the circular central box type bilingual lunar year dater as type VII. To facilitate checking, I have prepared another table listing the seven broad categories with all their sub-types in tabular form with simple description and insertion of appropriate cancellations.

型號 Type	戳型簡述 Description of cancellation	使用日期 Usage period	郵政局 Post Office
and I we	圆形陰文英漢戰,英文 "IMPERIAL POST OFFICE WEIHAIWEI" 置雙圈上下之間,中文 "威海衛郵政局" 置内圈。 Circular negative seal type with inscription "IMPERIAL POST OFFICE WEIHAIWEI" arranged between circles and Chinese "威海衛郵政局" in inner circle.	1899年3月 March 1899	威海衛 Weihaiwei
II (SWI)	37 × 21 毫米雙綫橢圓形英漢日戳, "WEIHAIWEI" 在上,"威海衛郵政局" 在下,英文月日年居中。 Double frame 37 × 21mm bilingual oval dater inscriptions "WEIHAIWEI 威海衛郵政 局", month,date,year in the centre.	1899年4-10月 Apr-Oct 1899	威海衛 Weihaiwei

型號 Type		武型簡述 on of cancellation	使用日期 Usage period	郵政局 Post Office
an oh on en en en en en	IIb 《NOV 7 1899 *	單綫, 40 × 23 毫米 Single frame,40 × 23mm	1899年11月 Nov 1899	威海衛 Weihaiwei
A IN	IIc * APR. 12 1900 *	同上, 42 × 22 毫米 ditto, 42 × 22mm	1900年4-10月 Apr -Oct 1900	威海衛 Weihaiwei
	IId * APR. 28 1900 *	同上, 44 × 25 毫米 ditto, 44 × 25mm	1900年4月 Apr 1900	威海衛 Weihaiwei
(注1)	IIe * JUN. 1900 *	同上, 42 × 23 毫米 ditto, 42 × 23mm	1900年6月 Jun 1900	威海衛 Weihaiwei
(Note1)	IIf (* JUN. 1900 *)	同上, 44 × 22 毫米, 字體同上 ditto, 44 × 22mm	1900年6月 Jun 1900	威海衛 Weihaiwei
or too on the small man	28 毫米 威海衛 日年分 28mm d "WEIH between date and centre ci	1899年3月至 1904年6月 Mar 1899 Jun 1904	碼頭 Ma Tau	
i the	IVa Super of type	杉兩格式漢文牌號戳,上格"郵局",下格"劉公島"。 Ingular framed two segment nameplate cancellation "Post Office/LiuKung".	1900年7月 Jul 1900	劉公島 Liu Kung Tau
IV	1Vb 汽车 汽车	二,下格"威海衞"。 o "Post Office / Weihaiwei".	1901年2-7月 Feb -Jul 1901	威海衛 Weihaiwei
Will inwis	局政郵 同」	二,無框綫。 but frameless.	1902年5月 May 1902	威海衛 Weihaiwei

型號 Type	戳型簡述 Description of cancellation	使用日期 Usage period	郵政局 Post Office
要 1	27 毫米雙圈(粗綫外圈)型英漢日戳,"劉公島 LIU KUNG TAU 威海衛 WEIHAIWEI" 置雙圈上下、左右兩側之間,日月年堅排分三行置于內圈。 27mm bilingual dater with thick outer circle, inscriptions "劉公島 LIU KUNG TAU 威海衛 WEIHAIWEI" arranged between circles, date/month/year vertically in 3 rows inside centre circle.	1902 年 7 月至 1904 年 3 月 Jul 1902 to Mar 1904	劉公島 Liu Kung Tau
V	WEIHAIWEI" instead.	1902年7月 至1903年3月 Jul 1902 to Mar 1903	碼頭 Ma Tau
	Vc 同上,戳内文字爲 "碼頭PORT EDWARD 威海衛 WEIHAIWEI"。 ditto, inscriptions "碼頭 PORT EDWARD 威海衛 WEIHAIWEI" instead.	1903年4月至 1904年1月 Apr 1903 to Jan 1904	碼頭(改名 愛德華港) (注 ²⁾ Port Edward (Note. 2)
VI	雙圈三格式漢文干支日戳:山東/年月日/威海衛。 Double circle Chinese language three segment type lunar year dater inscriptions "Shantung / ymd / Weihaiwei".	1904年至1907年 (注3) 1904 to 1907 (Note.3)	威海衛 Weihaiwei
VII	腰框形英漢干支日戳: "WEIHAIWEI/年月/日威海衛"。 Circular central box type lunar year dater inscriptions "WEIHAIWEI/ymd/威海衛".	1907年至1911年 (注 4) 1907 To 1911 (Note. 4)	威海衛 Weihaiwei

注1 第Ⅱ及第Ⅲ型同步出現,由于威海 衛郵局較碼頭郵局早開局,橢圓形日戳被列爲 Ⅲ型。

注 2 隨着愛德華港的英國客郵局在 1904 年 4 月開辦,劉公島及碼頭之大清郵局因業務 漸漸衰退而關閉。

注3 有資深集郵家展示了一件甲辰年威 海衛寄日本之郵資片,除此之外,威海衛干支 日戳目前次早使用日期爲乙巳年二月。

注4 現時未能確定威海衛曾否使用漢文腰框形干支日戳,亦無法確定英漢型干支日戳最早使用日期(1907?),存世郵品以1909己酉年較多。

Note 1 Both types II and III evolved at around the same time, since Weihaiwei post office opened for business earlier, the oval bilingual type is listed as Type II. The use of these type II dater ceased around June 1900 when the effects of Boxer Movement had forced Weihaiwei Post Office to relocate to the island of Liu Kung Tau.

Note 2 Sharp decline in business had caused the Imperial Chinese Post Offices in Liu Kung Tau and Port Edward to close for business after the British Post Office in Port Edward opened on April 1, 1904.

Note 3 There has been reported usage of double circle lunar year dater in 1904 on postal stationery card to Japan, apart from this, the earliest item dated 2nd month of $\mathbb{Z} \mathbb{E}$ (1905).

Note 4 It is still uncertain whether Weihaiwei had ever adopted the circular central box type Chinese language lunar year dater and it is equally uncertain as to the earliest usage of the English/ Chinese type even though examples of 己酉(1909) usage are readily available.