

A MAGNIFICENT "SHANGHAE POST OFFICE CROWN PAID" COVER



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1856 (6 Oct.) entire letter from Shanghai to Lyon (30.11) "Pr Overland Mail via Marseille" showing superb complete strike of the "Shanghae Post Office/Crown/Paid" circular h.s. (Webb type 1) in red, with "Hong Kong" double arc d.s. (12.10) and "Paris a Marseille" c.d.s. (30.11) on reverse and Marseille c.d.s. (30.11) in red on front, rated "10" (décimes), one of the great rarities of the Treaty Port cancellations, of which only 16 examples have been recorded, very fine and considered to the finest example of the earliest postal marking of Shanghai. Ex Sir Percival David and James Riddell. Photo.

The Hong Kong Philatelic Society (March 2004) has recorded 14 examples of the "Shanghae Post Office Paid" Crown handstamp. There are also two additional examples recorded by us: The example in our last sale (23 June 2005, lot 911). The example offered here, which was previously sold by Robson Lowe (22 March 1974, lot 114), at which time he called it the finest known example. In the Hong Kong Philatelic Society listing (No.7), there is interestingly a second cover of the same date as the example offered here, also going to France.

HK\$ 200,000 - 250,000



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1860 (14 June) envelope from Shanghai to Chudleigh, England (13.7) "via Marseille" showing framed "Paid" h.s. and "Shanghae" double arc d.s. both in red, with "Hong Kong/C" and "Newton Abbot" c.d.s. on reverse, rated "9" and "8", very fine. Photo

HK\$ 6,000 - 8,000

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1860 (5 Dec.) entire docketed "Shanghae, Dec 5th 1860" to Salem, Massachusetts (26.1.61) "via Marseilles", showing "45" and "40 Cents" h.s. on front and "Hong Kong/C" c.d.s. (12.10, with index letter inverted and year date transposed), London (26.1.61) in red and "Boston/Br. Pkt." (2.10) c.d.s. on reverse, and "45" and Photo

HK\$ 3,000 - 4,000

1272

1862 entire from London to Shanghai (8.10) "via Marseilles" bearing Great Britain 1d. strip of three and 6d. wing-margin pair, cancelled by "12" barred oval, showing "Hong Kong/C" (6.10) in blue and "Shanghae/C" c.d.s. on reverse, rated "1", fine. Photo

HK\$ 800 - 1,000

1273

1863 (25 Mar.) entire from Shanghai to Sydney (13/5) "Via Galle" showing "Shanghae/Paid" c.d.s. (Webb type 6) in red, with "Shanghae/C", "Hong Kong/C" (30.3) c.d.s. and "Ship-Letter/Sydney" double arc d.s. on reverse, a little splitting at folds and soiling. Photo

HK\$ 8,000 - 10,000

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1863 (8 May) orange envelope from Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Shanghai (11.7) "via Marseille", bearing U.S. 3c., 24c. and 30c., cancelled by grids and Milwaukee c.d.s., showing "Shanghae/C" (11.7) and "Hong Kong/C" (4.7) c.d.s. on reverse and "New York Br. Pkt./Paid" c.d.s. and "London/Paid" single arc d.s. (26.5) in red on front, rated "52" and "1", very fine and colourful, ex Jessup, Paliapito. Photo

HK\$ 6,000 - 8,000



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1863 (25 Jan.) printed "Per Overland via Marseilles" corner card "flimsy" envelope (with enclosure) from Shanghai to Stoneham, Mass. via Hong Kong and London (14.3) showing "Shanghae/Paid" c.d.s. (Webb type 6) with index "C" inverted in red, with "Shanghae/C" and "Hong Kong/C" c.d.s. in blue on reverse, "New York Br. Pkt./10" c.d.s. (23.3), rated "4/1" and "31" (for U.S.), with "10/Due" in pencil, contents datelined "Schooner 'Pet' 470 miles up Yanstse River, Dec 20th 1862", envelope tatty around edges and split there, large portion of flap missing, full of character. Photo

HK\$ 1,500 - 2,000

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1863 (25 Dec.) envelope from Shanghai to Breslau, Prussia (9.2.64) "Via Trieste" showing "Shanghae/Paid" c.d.s. (Webb type 6) in red, with "Shanghae/C" and "Hong Kong/C" in blue (30.12) c.d.s. on reverse, rated on front and endorsed "paid" by sender, a fine example to an unusual destination. Photo

HK\$ 3,000 - 4,000

1277

1865 (14 June) yellow envelope from New York to Shanghai (11.8) "via Marseilles" bearing U.S. 24c. pair (additional stamp missing), cancelled by segmented cork, showing "Shanghae/C" c.d.s. in blue on reverse, with "London/Paid" (26.6) c.d.s. on front, rated "48" and "1", attractive. Photo

HK\$ 800 - 1,000

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1865 (May) yellow envelope from New York to Shanghai (28.7) "Via Marseilles" bearing U.S. 24c. pair and 5c., cancelled by segmented cork, showing "Shanghae/C" c.d.s. in blue on reverse, with "New York Br. Pkt./Paid" and "London/Paid" (10.6) c.d.s. in red on front. rated "48" and "1", very fine. Ex Beckeman. Photo

HK\$ 4,000 - 5,000



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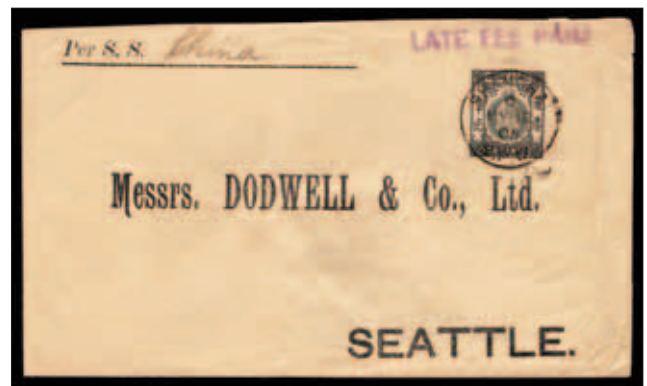
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1865 (26 Sept.) illustrated envelope from Brighton, England to Shanghai (27.11), "via Marseilles" bearing Great Britain 4d. and 1/-. , cancelled by "Brighton/132" duplex, showing "Shanghae/C" in blue and London (26.9) in red c.d.s. on reverse, with "1d" rating h.s. in red, fine and very attractive and unusual to China. Photo

HK\$ 5,000 - 6,000

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1874-76 envelopes (2) from Shanghai, consisting of 1874 envelope to Hong Kong bearing 8c. orange and 1876 envelope to London bearing 30c. mauve, each cancelled "S1" in blue by fine to very fine strikes and showing "Shanghae/A" in blue and "Hong Kong/A" c.d.s., the former fine, the latter light age-toned on front with fine stamp strike. Photo

HK\$ 1,000 - 1,200

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1883 (11 Apr.) 3c. stationery card to London (22.5), cancelled by "Shanghae/A" c.d.s., with "Hong Kong/A" c.d.s. (19.4) adjacent, paper adherences on back and small part of back abraded. Photo

HK\$ 1,500 - 1,800

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1906 (28 Jan.) Toyo Kasha (Oriental S.S. Co.) illustrated colour postcard datelined "Hong Kong, Jan 25 1903 on board Nippon Maru" to Baltimore, Maryland (26.2) bearing Q.V. 4c. carmine cancelled by "Shanghai/C" c.d.s. (28.1) showing extremely rare "Too Late" h.s. (29 x 4mm.) adjacent, with Yokohama and San Francisco c.d.s. on front and back respectively, the card entered the post in Shanghai where this "Too Late" h.s. was applied, which Webb records having been despatched from London, but has no record of its use, fine and rare usage. Photo

HK\$ 5,000 - 6,000

1283

1905 (12 May) printed envelope to Seattle bearing K.E.VII 30c., cancelled by "Shanghai/B.P.O." index C c.d.s., showing scarce "Late Fee Paid" h.s. in violet. Photo

HK\$ 3,500 - 4,000

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1907 (20 Aug.) picture postcard to Devonshire, England, bearing Great Britain K.E.VII 1d., cancelled by "Shanghai/B.P.O." index C c.d.s., showing framed script "Paquebot" h.s. adjacent, very fine. Photo

HK\$ 1,200 - 1,500

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1908 (29 Sept.) picture postcard to Devonshire, England, bearing Great Britain 1d., cancelled by "Shanghai/B.P.O." index C c.d.s., showing framed "Paquebot." h.s. (Hoskins No. 1594) adjacent, very fine. Photo

HK\$ 1,200 - 1,500



Ex 1286

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1865-1920 envelopes or entire letter (6) from Shanghai to France (3), Austria, England and India, including 1865 entire letter to Lyon bearing 2c. brown and 30c. vermilion (stamps damaged) cancelled "B62" in blue showing "Shanghae/C" c.d.s. in blue on reverse, 1875 envelope from Austro-Hungarian Consulate to France bearing 2c. brown (2, one damaged), 8c. orange and 24c. green cancelled "S1" in blue, 1898 envelope (piece out in address panel) to Assam bearing 2c. carmine (5) cancelled by "Shanghae/C" c.d.s. showing "Prepaid/in Full" h.s. in red, and 1909 K.E.VII 10c. postal stationery envelope size H2 used in Prague, some cover faults, a very interesting selection. Photo

HK\$ 3,500 - 4,000

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1866-67 entire letters or envelope (4) from Shanghai to Great Britain (2) or U.S.A. (2), franked with Hong Kong stamps cancelled "B62" with Shanghae and Hong Kong c.d.s., showing both 32c. and 54c. rates, all with faults or defects, nevertheless a colourful and interesting selection with mostly fine to very fine strikes illustrating each rate by two different combinations of stamps.

HK\$ 2,000 - 2,500

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Great Britain mail to China : 1857-86, consisting of incoming usage to Shanghai (3), including an 1857 printed circular and Canton and an 1867 envelope backstamped Hong Kong to England with Great Britain 4d. and 6d., some faults, scarce group.

HK\$ 1,500 - 2,000