

AUCTION SALE **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2023**

AT 10:00 A.M.

The Carl A. Kilgas Collection **China**

Postal History



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| 1 | ✉ | 1863 (8 Nov) FL from Shanghai to Ipswich, Mass, USA, sent by George T. Heard (of Augustine Heard & Co., well known forwarding agents), to his mother in USA, red "Shanghae Paid" on front, also "Shanghae Nov 8, 63" departure pmk, "Hong Kong Nov 13, 63" transit in blue, red "London Paid" (Jan 9, 64), various ms crayon markings ("44" British transit fee, "16", "French" and others), handstamped "10" due USA, with Boston Jan 27 arrival, fine letter from the British Post Office in Shanghai to USA (delivered in 80 days) | 250.00 |
| 2 | ✉ | 1864-65 two stampless covers, one from London to Shanghai, sent in 1864 via Southampton and Hong Kong, charged 2sh in ms, with appropriate transit and arrival pmks. The second cover was sent from Shanghai to USA, with Shanghai Bau Francaise pmk, various transit and arrival markings, minor toning and faults, interesting pair of covers (web photo)..... | 250.00 |
| 3 | ✉ | 1866 (10 Aug) FL from London to a bank manager in Shanghai, franked with 1p, 4p (plate 8) and 1sh (plate 4), red "1d" (Hong Kong transit fee), London departure and Shanghai arrival (Sep 26) on back, filing folds and cover tear tape reinforced, otherwise fine incoming mail (46 days in transit) (web photo) | 250.00 |



- 4 1884 (6 May) cover (opened for display) sent from the Imperial Japanese Post Office in Shanghai, via Yokohama and San Francisco to New York, franked with 5sen ultramarine, tied by cross-roads pmk, supported by I.J.P.A. Shanghai cds, with transit and arrival pmks alongside, fine 500.00
- 5 1887-1900 two covers (opened for display), one franked with 5c brown, with violet "U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai" (21 Oct 87) datestamp and Flushing New York arrival pmk alongside; the other sent in 1900 from Boston to Chefoo, with U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai arrival and transit pmks on back, fine pair of outgoing and incoming letters (web photo) 500.00



- 6 1900 (18 Dec) cover from Tientsin to Dijon, franked with 4c and 10c CIP Coiling Dragons, tied by blue departure pmk, repeated below, sent via the French Post Office in Shanghai (31 Dec 00), where 25c "Chine" was added to pay for further transmission to France, arriving 1 Feb, 01, tape stains on back, ex-Newbury 250.00



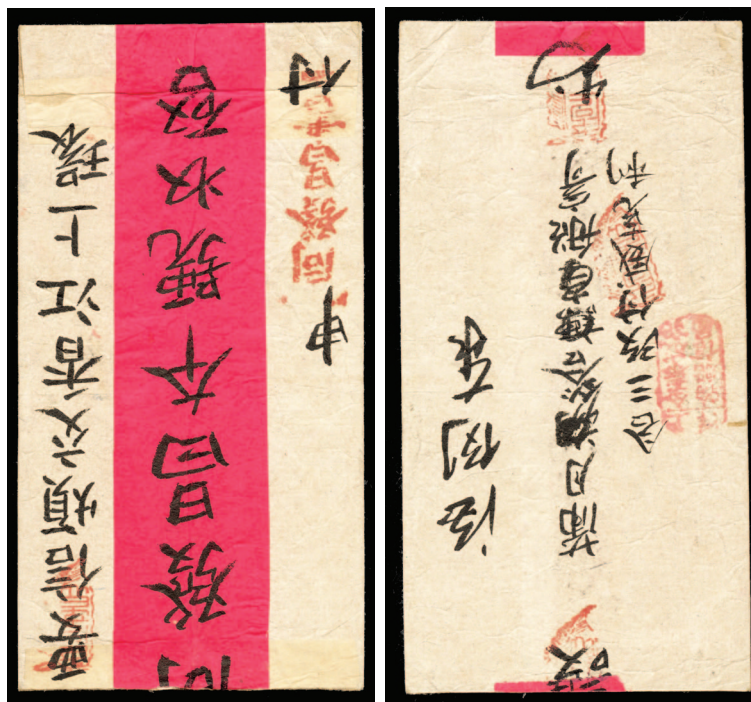
- 7 ☒ 1901 (17 July) registered cover from Peking, franked with 30c CIP, tied by oval registry departure pmk and corresponding "Registered" handstamp, sent via French Post Office in Shanghai where 25c and 50c "Chine" were added for further transmission to the Hague, Netherlands, French maritime and arrival pmks on back

500.00



- 8 ☒ 1901 (7 Feb) Grunberg & Reilly card from Port Arthur to Chicago, franked with Kitai 1k and 3k canceled at Chefoo, sent via the Russian Post Office in Shanghai where another 1k was added, with framed "Paquebot" and Nagasaki transit, unusual winter routing, some toning, otherwise fine (the "Grunberg & Reilly Port Arthur China" return address was one of the legitimate cover names for the famous British agent Sidney Reilly, the "Ace of Spies" legendary secret agent employed by Scotland Yard and the British Secret Bureau. Reilly profited greatly as the clouds of war formed with Japan. It is believed that Ian Fleming used Reilly as the model for James Bond)

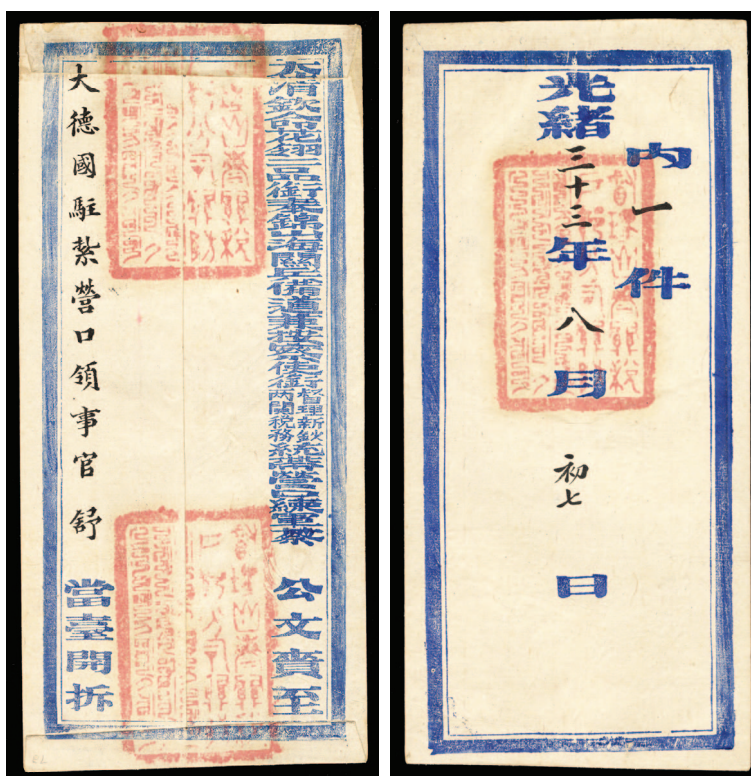
500.00



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Private Letter Agencies. 1880 "Min Hsin Chu" - "People's letter carrying agencies" (for non-government mail) operated within China, owned privately by Chinese merchants, red-band cover from Shanghai to Hong Kong, chop reads "Lun h'uan Hsin Chu" (wheel boat letter service) Ch'uan T'ai Sheng (name of the Steamship Line), with address on reverse with instructions in Chinese characters "Important letter, please deliver to Hong Kong", v.f. (in addition to mounted and foot couriers, mail service for native Chinese was also available by Inland and Coastal Steamers)

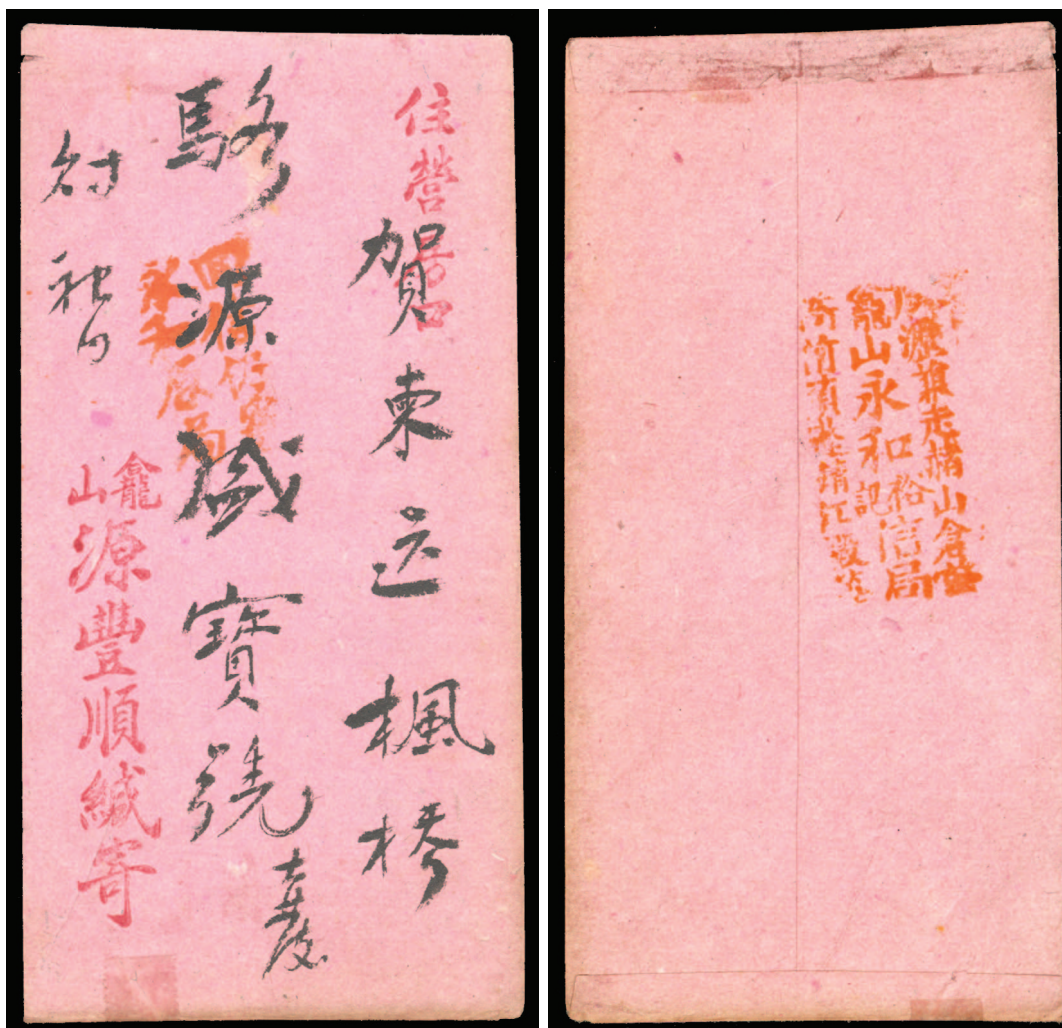
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1907 (7 Aug) official government Mounted Courier System ("I Chan"), large envelope sent by "Tsai Governor of Shankaikuan" to German Consulate at Newchwang (Yin K'ou) posted on 7th day, 8th month of the 33rd year of the Reign of Emperor Kwang-hsu (Aug 7, 1907), v.f.

1,000.00



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1907 "Min Hsin Chu" - "People's letter carrying agencies" (for non-government mail) operated within China, owned privately by Chinese merchants, pink envelope carried by "Min Chu", Agency Chop on reverse, sent from Lungshan to Hangchow, red characters read "Lungshan Yun Ho Yu Ki" (Lungshan Letter Service), fine and very rare

1,000.00

The Large Dragon - Proofs



12 P

1878 First Issue, imperforate proofs (three circles in lower left corner), 1can green, 5can orange on thin wove (stamp) paper, also 3can brown red, thick paper, v.f.(1-3P)

2,500.00



- 13 P 1878 First Issue, imperforate proofs (center circles removed in lower left corner), 1can green vertical pair with gum (cliche 5/10), upper right sheet corner margin, v.f.(1P) 1,500.00



- 14 P 1878 First Issue, imperforate proofs (center circles removed in lower left corner), 3can brown, upper right sheet margin single (cliche 5), 5can imperf. top sheet margin single (cliche 3), slight oxidation, otherwise v.f.(2,3P) 1,500.00

1878 Issue



- 15 ★(★) 1878 First Issue, thin paper, Clean Cut Perforations, 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can orange, set of three, first one without gum, others l.h. or h.r., minor gum wrinkles, brilliant fresh colors, v.f., cat. \$3,275.....(1-3) 1,000.00



16 ★★田

1878 1can green, Setting I, sheet of 25, n.h. and post office fresh, full margins on all sides, v.f. and beautiful sheet, rare

(1) 25,000.00



- 17 ★★田 1878 1can yellow green, Setting I, sheet of 25, n.h. and post office fresh, full margins on all sides, mostly v.f. A rare complete sheet(1a) 25,000.00



- 18 ★ 1878 3can brick red, dull red, deep red and red, four distinct shades, setting I-IV, l.h. or h.r., fresh and beautiful group, cat. \$5,800.....(2) 2,000.00



- 19 ★田 1878 3can brown red, setting I, block of four, l.h., perfectly centered, tiny natural inclusion, fresh and v.f., cat. \$4,400.....(2) 2,500.00



- 20 ★/★★田 1878 3can brown red, setting I, bottom sheet margin block of four, positions 18-19, 23-24, l.h. at top, bottom stamps n.h., fresh, fine-v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$4,400(2) 1,500.00



21 ★★田

1878 3c brown red, Setting I, sheet of 25, n.h. and post office fresh, full margins on all sides, v.f.
 A rare complete sheet in such perfect quality

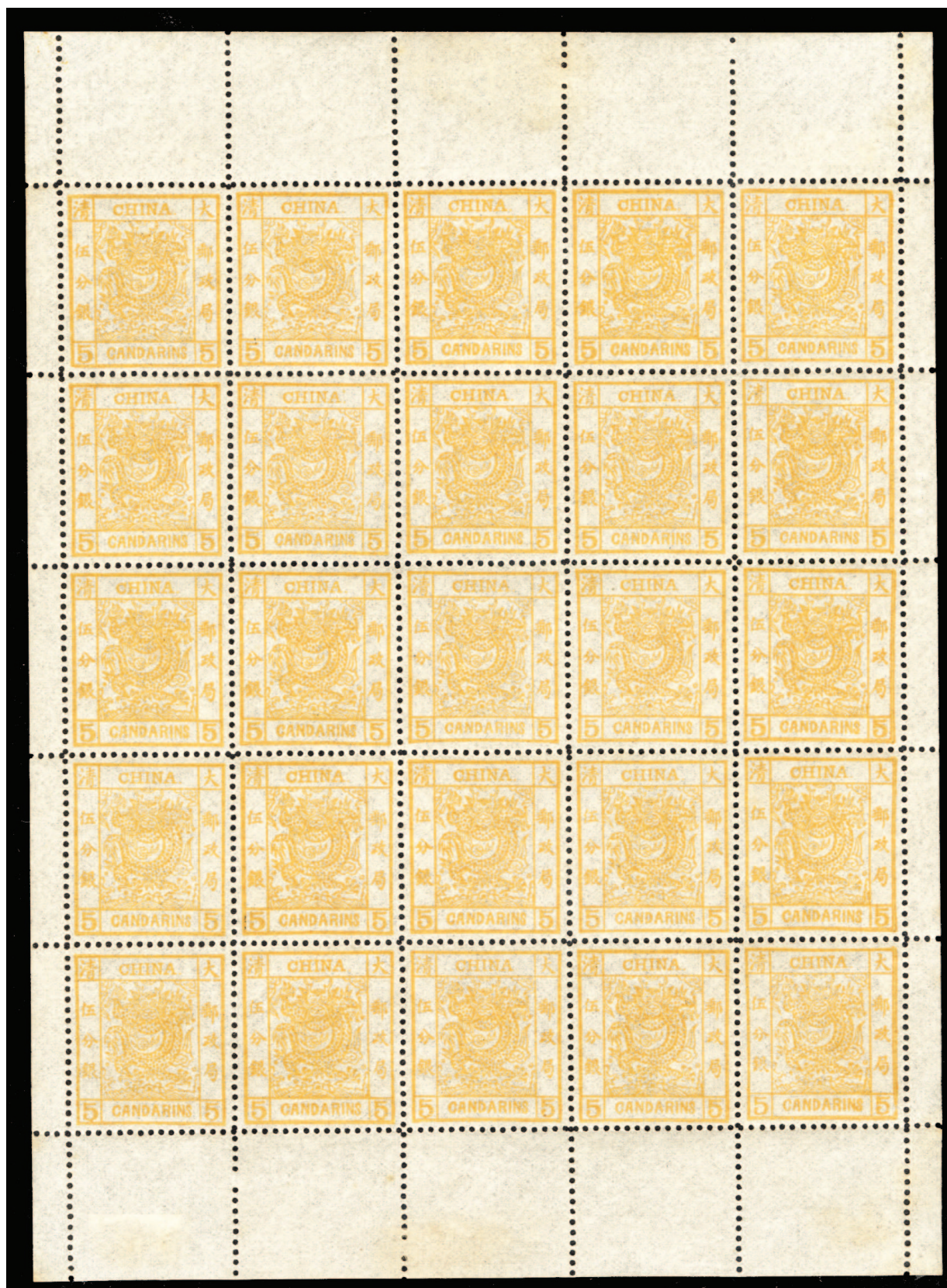
(2) 30,000.00



- 22 ★ 1878 5can orange, wove paper, h.r., creased, fine appearance, cat. \$1,450.....(3) 500.00



- 23 ★★ 1878 5can orange, Setting I, top sheet margin horizontal strip of five, cliches 1-5, n.h., post office fresh, v.f.(3) 10,000.00



- 24 ★★田 1878 5can orange, Setting I, sheet of 25, hinge remnants at top and bottom margins only, both of which are slightly reduced (trimmed at top and bottom), faint toning noted, well away from the stamps, which are n.h. and post office fresh, v.f. and splendid complete sheet of the 5 Candareens, rare(3) 100,000.00



- 25 ○ 1878 5can orange, light postmark, well centered, v.f., cat. \$600(3) 250.00



- 26 ○ 1878 5can orange, Setting II, horizontal pair, light black seal cancels, sharp perforations, fresh and v.f., cat. \$1,200(3) 500.00



- 27 ○ 1878 5can orange, Setting II, horizontal strip of three, oval Shanghai seal type II cancels, right stamp showing "Dah" with long stroke (cliche 8), fine multiple (Chan 3,3c) (catalogued as singles) cat. \$1,800(3) 1,000.00



- 28 ★ 1878 5can orange, bister orange, Setting I, h.r. or l.h., fresh and v.f. (Chan 3,3b) cat. \$3,350 .(3,3a) 1,000.00



- 29 (★) 1878 5can bister orange, Setting II, unused without gum, good color, fine (Chan 3b,\$1,800) cat. \$1,900(3a) 500.00

1882 Wide Margins



- 30 ★(★) 1882 1can green, 3can brown red , 5can orange yellow, set of three, first one with gum, h.r., others unused, usual rough perforations, last one with faint overall toning, otherwise brilliant colors, fine-v.f., scarce unused (Chan 4-6) cat. \$21,700(4-6) 7,500.00



- 31 ○ 1882 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can orange yellow, wide margins set of three, each canceled by Tientsin Seal, type II, 5can with small thin, beautiful colors, fine-v.f., cat. \$2,300 ...(4-6) 1,000.00



- 32 ★ 1882 1can green, two distinct shades, first and third printings, h.r., fresh and v.f., cat. \$1,200(4) 750.00



- 33 (★) 1882 1can green, two distinct shades, second and fourth printings, unused without gum, the latter on pelure paper, thin, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,200(4) 500.00



- 34 (★) 1882 3can dull red, Setting VI, duller and darker red, unused (regummed), fine, cat. \$1,100(5) 500.00



- 35 ○ 1882 3c rose, Setting X, light blue seal cancel, delicate color, usual perforations, v.f., cat. \$400..(5) 250.00



- 36 ○ 1882 3can dull red, three distinct shades, used, last one small thin, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,200.....(5) 500.00



- 37 ★ 1882 5can orange yellow, light shade of orange, unused, disturbed gum, h.r. and adhesions, nice color, closed tear at right, fine appearance (Chan 6) cat. \$20,000(6) 2,500.00



- 38 ○ 1882 5can yellow-orange, pale orange-yellow, two distinct shades, black or blue seal cancels, minor flaws, the latter with irregular perforations, v.f. appearance, cat. \$3,000(6) 1,000.00



- 39 ○ 1882 5can orange, light orange-yellow, two distinct shades, black or blue seal cancels, both faulty, fine appearance(6) 500.00

1883 Issue



- 40 ★(★) 1883 opaque paper, Clean Cut Perforations, 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can yellow, set of three, first one without gum, others l.h. or h.r., minor gum wrinkles, fresh colors, fine-v.f. (Chan 7-9) cat. \$3,675(7-9) 1,000.00



- 41 ★ 1883 opaque paper, Rough Perforations, 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can yellow, set of three, others l.h. or h.r., last one with album page adhesions on back, minor gum wrinkles, fresh colors, fine-v.f. (Chan 10-12) cat. \$3,675(7-9) 1,000.00



- 42 ○ 1883 1can dark green, light green, l.h., fresh, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,350(7a,b) 500.00



- 43 ★ 1883 3can pale red, h.r., fresh and delicate color, v.f., cat. \$1,150(8) 500.00



- 44 ★ 1883 5can Lemon-yellow, opaque paper, clean-cut perforations, l.h., fresh and distinct color, rare (Can 9a) cat. \$1,900.....(9a) 750.00



- 45 ○ 1883 5can Lemon-yellow, opaque paper, clean-cut perforations, blue seal cancel, well centered, v.f., cat. \$875.....(9a) 500.00

Cancels - Amoy



- 46 ○ 1882 1can green, wide margins, red oval "Amoy Customs MAIL Matter" cancel, stamp with minor faults, rare (circular "204", dated December 22, 1882, directed use of "Customs House Mail Matter" chops in lieu of postage stamps for all Official Customs House domestic mail. Customs was purchasing ever increasing amounts of postage stamps for use on Official mail - items charged as expenses to the Department. While Robert Hart issued the above circular to avoid this operating cost, the Postmaster at Amoy, Fukien Province, apparently misunderstood the directive and used the red chop to cancel stamps)(4) 500.00



- 47 ○ 1882 5can orange yellow, wide margins, red oval "Amoy Customs MAIL Matter" cancel, stamp with minor faults, extremely rare, one of only two recorded 5can stamps with this cancelation(6) 1,500.00



- 48 ○ 1883 3can brown red, Rough Perforations, red oval "Amoy Customs MAIL Matter" cancel, fine(8) 500.00

Chefoo



- 49 ○ 1878-83 1can green, 3can brown red (5) and 5can orange yellow (4), ten stamps, various printings, including wide margins and pair of 5c yellow, each canceled by "Yen-T'ai" (Chefoo) seal, three in blue ink, minor flaws possible, mostly fine or better, cat. \$4,950(1-3,5,8,9) 2,500.00

Chinkiang



- 50 ○ 1878 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can orange, set of three, each canceled by double circle "CUSTOMS CHINKIANG" May 7, 80, Feb 24, 80 and Dec 13, 80 pmks, fine set of 1880 Chinkiang year dates, cat. \$1,400.....(1-3) 1,000.00



- 51 ○ 1883 1c green, 3c brown red and 5c yellow, set of three, each canceled by double circle "Customs Chinkiang" 1886 pmks, last one "Aug 24 86" (late usage), fine set of 1886 Chinkiang year dates, cat. \$1,525(7-9) 1,000.00



- 52 ○ 1878 3c brown red, canceled by double circle "Post Office Chinkiang" 31 Mar 79, fine example of this scarce cancelation, in use for about one month(2) 250.00

Ichang



- 53 ○ 1878 1c green (4), 3c brown red (1), 5c orange (2), distinct shades of last, each canceled by "Ichang" seal, minor flaws possible, mostly fine or better, cat. \$2,800(1-3) 1,000.00

Kiukiang



- 54 ○ 1883 1can green (2), 3can brown red (3), each canceled "Customs Kiukiang" in red, dated 1883, 1884 and 1886, minor flaws, mostly fine, cat. \$2,150.....(7,8) 1,000.00



- 55 ○ 1883 5can yellow, well struck red "Customs Kiukiang" Apr 14, 91 double circle pmk, fine and rare 500.00

Newchwang



- 56 ○ 1883 5can orange, canceled "Newchwang" and "Hong Kong July 19, 83", fine and attractive example of "Customs Newchwang" departure and Hong Kong transit or arrival pmks on a Large Dragon adhesive 500.00



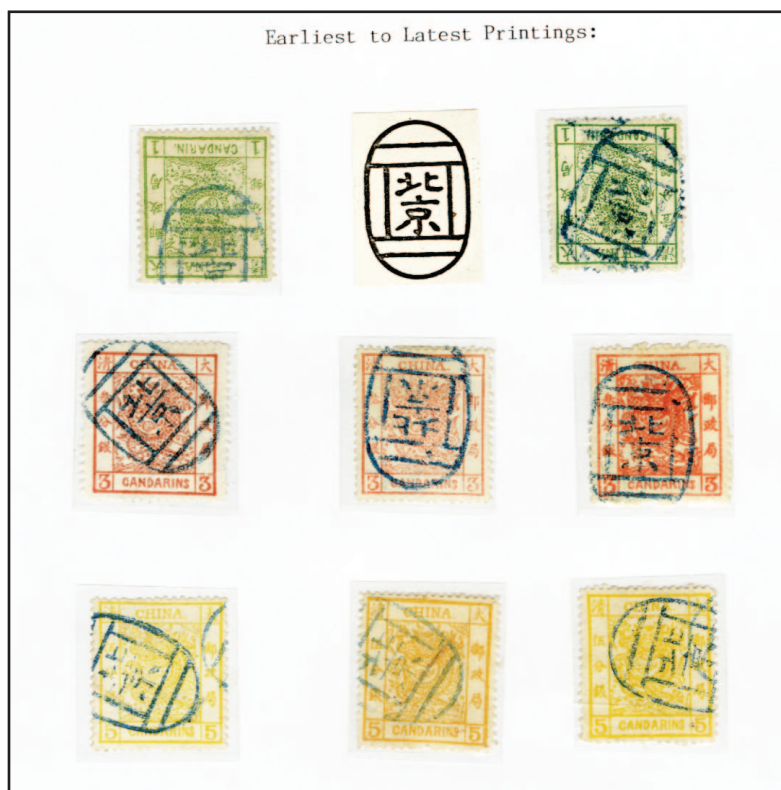
- 57 ○ 1882 5can orange yellow, wide margins, horizontal pair canceled "Customs Newchwang", small thins, rich color, fine and rare multiple, cat. \$3,000(6) 1,500.00

Ningpo



- 58 ○ 1883 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can yellow, each canceled by distinct green "CUSTOMS NINGPO" double circle Sep 12, 88 pmks, fine-v.f., rare set of Customs Ningpo cancels(7-9) 1,000.00

Peking



- 59 ○ 1878-83 1can green (2), 3can brown red (3) and 5can orange yellow (3), eight stamps, various printings, each canceled by blue seals of Peking, minor flaws possible, mostly fine or better, cat. \$3,975.....(1-3,7-9) 1,500.00

Shanghai



60 ○

1878-83 1c green, thin paper (defective), 1c wide margins, plus 3c rough perforations, each with oval Shanghai seal, first one type I (Shanghai in ancient characters), others type II (Shanghai in modern characters)(1,4,8)

300.00

Tientsin



61 ○

1878 1c green, 3c brown red and 5c orange (3), five stamps, early printing, each canceled by Tientsin Seal, type I (ancient characters for Tientsin, small seals), one 5c trimmed vertical perforations, another imperf. horizontally, mostly fine or better(1-3)

1,500.00



- 62 ○ 1878-83 1can green, dark green, 3can brown red and 5can orange, four stamps, earliest setting, each canceled by Tientsin Seal, type II (ancient characters for Tientsin, large seals), 3can with some toning, usual perforations, fine, cat. \$1,800(1-3) 750.00



- 63 ○ 1878 First Issue, thin paper, 3can brown red, canceled Tientsin SEP 78, well centered, early usage, v.f., cat. \$400.....(2) 150.00



- 64 ○ 1882 5can orange yellow, wide margins, canceled "Customs Tientsin" and large Tientsin Seal type II, minor flaws, fine appearance, cat. \$1,500.....(6) 500.00



- 65 ○ 1883 3c brown red, rough perforations, canceled "Customs Tientsin Jan 5, 87", fine, cat. \$400.....(8) 250.00

Wuhu



- 66 ○ 1878-83 3c brown red, three different printings, including wide margins (trimmed perfs at right), each with oval "Customs House Wuhu", three Chinese characters in center, plus oval "Customs House Wuhu", rare(2,5,8) 500.00



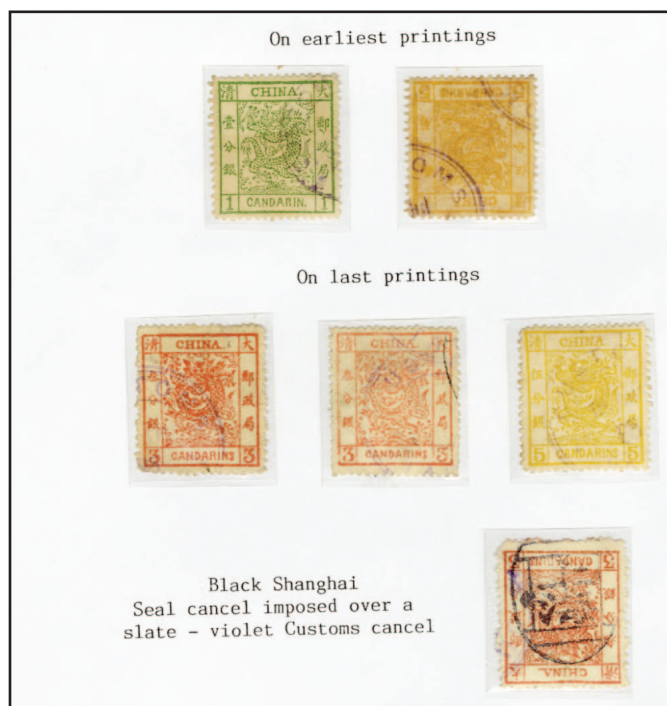
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- 67 ○ 1878 5c orange, "Customs Wuhu 10 Oct 1889" double circle postmark, fine and rare(3) 500.00

Daters

- 68 ○ 1878 5can orange, perfectly struck red "Customs Kiukiang" June 12, 81 double circle pmk, fine and rare(3) 500.00



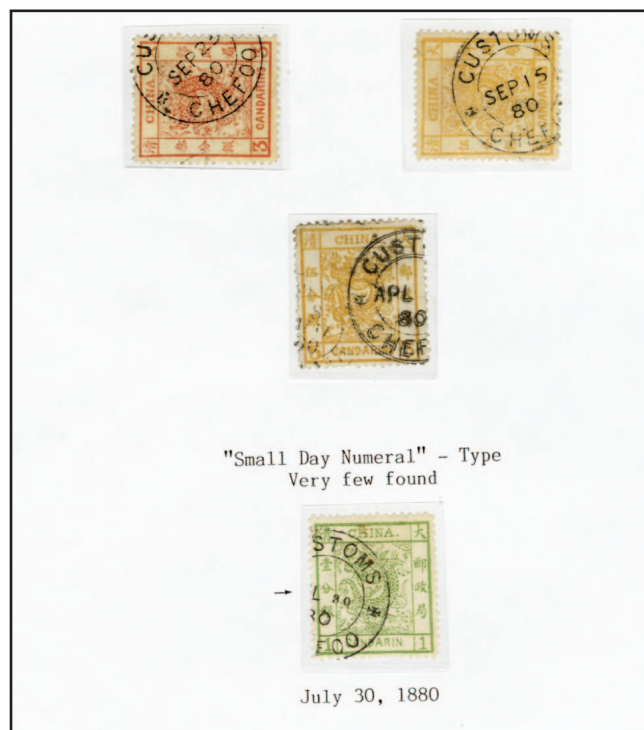
- 69 ○ 1878-83 1can green, 3can brown red (3) and 5can orange (2), six stamps, various printings, each canceled by violet triple-line "Customs Taku" cancel, one of the 3can with a black Shanghai Seal superimposed over the Customs cancel, minor flaws possible, mostly fine or better, cat. \$2,850(1,3,8,9) 1,500.00



70 ○

1878-83 1can green, 3can brown red (5) and 5can orange yellow (5), eleven stamps, various printings, each canceled by "Customs Shanghai" double circle pmks in black (5), brown (1), violet (1), red (2) and blue (2), one 3can faulty, few others with minor flaws possible, mostly fine or better, cat. \$5,500.....(1-3,8,9)

2,500.00



71 ○

1878 1can green, 3can brown red and 5can orange yellow (2), four stamps, various printings, each canceled by "Customs Chefoo" (1880) datestamp, first one showing "small day" numeral (rare), minor flaws possible, mostly fine or better(1-3)

1,000.00



- 72 ○ 1883 3can red brown and 3can carmine, Customs Chinkiang and blue seal, distinct shades, fine-v.f., cat. \$800.....(8) 250.00

Foreign Transit or Arrival Postmarks



- 73 ○ 1878 5can orange, blue seal and "Shanghai Chine 25 Janv. 78" departure cds, short perfs, a fine example of the French Post Office in Shanghai transit pmk(3) 500.00



- 74 ○ 1878 5can orange, two distinct shades, each with a seal departure and "Flensburg" and "Frankfurt 2/1 80" cds, fine and unusual examples of transit or arrival pmks, not commonly found on stamps, as those markings were normally applied on back of envelopes.....(3) 1,000.00



- 75 ○ 1878 5can orange, two distinct shades, each with a seal departure and "Brindisi 13 Sep 80" and "Napoli" cds, fine and unusual examples of transit or arrival pmks, not commonly found on stamps, as those markings were normally applied on back of envelopes.....(3) 1,000.00



- 76 ○ 1882 3can brown red, wide margins, seal departure pmk and blue "Ligne N Paq. Fr. No.1 - 10 Dec 82" cds, trimmed perfs, still a fine and unusual examples of transit or arrival pmks, not commonly found on stamps, as those markings were normally applied on back of envelopes.....(5) 500.00



- 77 ○ 1882 5can orange yellow, wide margins, canceled by "Munich 26 Apr 83" cds, small thins, fine and unusual example of transit or arrival pmk, not commonly found on stamps, as those markings were normally applied on back of envelopes.....(6) 750.00




- 78 ○ 1883 3can brown red, vermilion, three singles, each with a black or blue seal departure and transit or arrival pmks of "Port Said", "Oldenburg" and "London", last one in red, first one with small tear, others fine(8) 1,000.00



- 79 ○ 1883 3can brown red, blue seal departure and "Hamburg 26/8 8" cds, fine and unusual example of transit or arrival pmk, not commonly found on stamps, as those markings were normally applied on back of envelopes(8) 250.00

Large Dragon Covers



- 80  1879 (23 May) cover franked with 3can brown red (cliche 5), right sheet margin single canceled by oval "Yen-T'ai" seal of Chefoo, with violet "J.Smith & Co" sender's chop (repeated on back), endorsed "Per SS Pantah", addressed to Shanghai, "Customs Chefoo May 23 79" departure and "Shanghai Local Post K My 26 79" arrival, fine cover, ex-Saul Newbury, Michael Newbury, Carl Kilgas. A fine cover, listed In James B.Whang (No.23) and illustrated on page 80, comments: "This is the earliest known Large Dragon cover, sent out from Chefoo". Also illustrated on page 57 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue: "1879 Chefoo-Shanghai cover bearing the earliest Chefoo oval seal"(2) 20,000.00



- 81 1879 ((19 Mar) cover (side flap opened for display) franked with 3c vermillion, tied by double circle "Post Office Chinkiang" 19 Ma 79 pmk, addressed to Shanghai, with blue "Shanghai Local Post I MH 20 79" arrival, faint overall toning, fine cover, ex-H.C.Chen (1944), Allen Gokson (1944), listed in James B. Whang (No.10) and illustrated on page 64, comments: "Large Dragon covers with the "Post Office Chinkiang" cds are extremely rare, only 7 being known at present"(2) 20,000.00



- 82 1880 ((5 Feb) cover from Lurgan (Ireland), franked with Great Britain 2p dark blue and 4p olive green (plate 16), tied by "316" duplex and Lurgan Feb 5, 80 cds, addressed "per first mail" to "William Hancock, Imperial Customs Shanghai", "via Brindisi" crossed out and covered by 3c brown red, tied by Customs Shanghai March 22, 80 pmk, cover redirected to Peking, with Hong Kong (Mar 16) transit and Shanghai (Mar 21) arrival pmks on back, minor cover wrinkles and little toning of no importance. A rare redirected cover from Lurgan, listed in James B. Whang (No.56) and illustrated on page 126, comments: "lower left of cover noted with "Via Brindisi" and adhesive of British 6d could be postage of transiting in Italy". Also illustrated on page 59 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue (William Hancock was in fact born in Lurgan, Ireland and in 1874 joined the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs Service as a clerk, arriving at Chefoo (Yantai) in July that year. He was soon transferred to the Inspectorate-General in Peking, where he studied the Chinese language, and was thereafter given various postings around the country. He served at Customs College, Peking, from 1885-1888, probably teaching Chinese)(2) 10,000.00



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1880 (15 Mar) small cover franked on back with 3can brown red and 5can orange, canceled and tied by oval seal, with "Customs Tientsin March 15, 80" departure pmk, via "Customs Shanghai Mar 20, 80", sent through the French Shanghai Post Office, with unoverprinted 35c Type Sage canceled on front by "5104" large numerals, supported by Shanghai Chine 25 Mar 80 cds, addressed to Frau Detring (wife of Gustav Detring, Tientsin Commissioner of Customs in charge of all China's postal operations) in Wiesbaden, Germany, blue "Ligne N" French packet 31 Mar 80 maritime pmk (tying 3can) and Wiesbaden arrival 3 May 80 (tying 5can), v.f. and unusually nice cover showing the scarce 8 Candareen rate from Tientsin, via Shanghai and the French Post Office to Germany.

Illustrated on page 61 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue (Gustav Detring moved to China in 1865, and was appointed to serve as the private advisor to Viceroy Li Hongzhang in 1878, a position he held for twenty seven years. He rose to one of the most senior positions in the Qing bureaucracy, including a post in the Zongli Yamen (Foreign Ministry) and as Commissioner for the Northern Ports. He negotiated a series of treaties and trade agreements on behalf of the Chinese government and was used by Li during various diplomatic missions in the 1870s-80s. In 1896, Detring was conferred with Dingdaihauling 'Rank One' by the Dowager Empress Cixi, making him the highest ranking Westerner in China)(2,3)

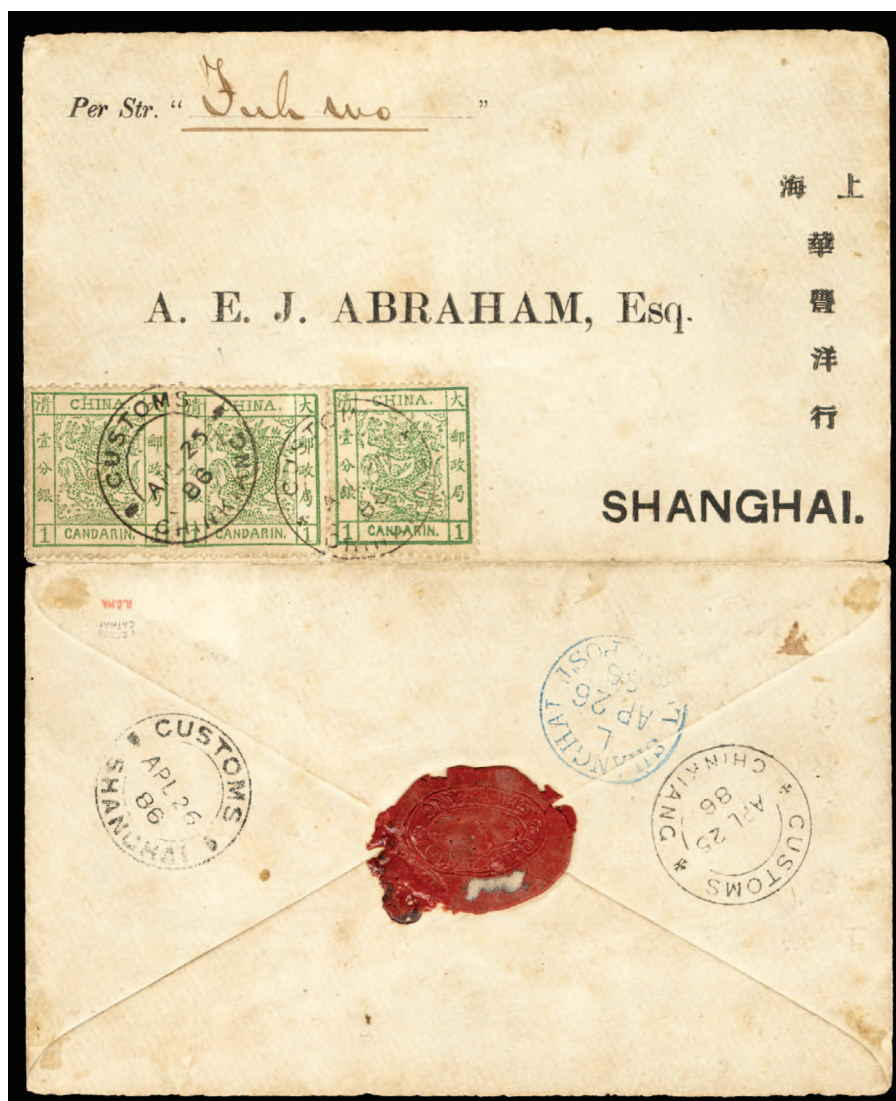
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- 84 1882 (17 Feb) "On Service" Inspectorate General of Customs Peking to The Commissioner of Customs Shanghai, coverfront (as always), paying 24 Candareen with 1c thin paper emerald green (last printing before "wide margins"), horizontal strip of four of 5can orange (Setting II, cliches 18, 11, 3, 25, left stamp folded-over and straightened), used in combination with 3can brown red, wide space, canceled by blue Peking oval seals, ex-Allen Gokson (1948) and Carl A. Kilgas (listed In James B. Whang (No. 127) and illustrated on page 223, comments: "This is the earliest recorded Large Dragon cover bearing a wide margins 3 Candarins stamp". Also illustrated on page 65 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue: "1882 Peking-Shanghai "On Service" cover, the earliest cover bearing 1882 wide margin Large Dragon"(1,3,4) 30,000.00



- 85 1885 ((2 Oct) cover from Peking to Switzerland, franked with a horizontal strip of 3x3can vermilion, rough perforations, thick paper, canceled by two oval Peking seal chops, with corresponding "I.G. of Customs Peking Oct 2 85" departure pmk on back, all in blue, addressed to the Secretary of the Belgian Legation in Berne, via "Customs Shanghai" Oct 7, 85, sent through the French post office, with unoverprinted 25c Type Sage, tied by Shanghai Chine 7 Oct 85 cds, French Railway "Macon a Montceis", Swiss "Ambulant No.1" transits and Bern arrival pmks (all on 16 Nov 85), fine and attractive Large Dragon cover paying 9can international letter rate, ex-Knapp sale (Nov 1941, lot 4236), listed In James B. Whang (No. 298) and illustrated on page 495. Also illustrated on page 75 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue)(8) 30,000.00



- 86 1886 (25 Apr) cover (opened for display) franked with single thick paper and horizontal pair of 1can green, tied by two "Customs Chinkiang Apr 25 86" pmks on front, pre-printed address "A.E.J. Abraham, Esq. Shanghai", Per Str. "Fuh Mo", with additional Customs Chinkiang, blue "Shanghai Local Post Apr 26, 86" and "Shanghai Customs" Apr 26 80 arrival pmks on reverse, sender's red sealing wax "D.M. David, Chinkiang", faint overall toning, fine and unusual cover paying 3 Candareens with three 1can instead of a customary 3can single, handstamped "R.C.Ma" and "F.C.Chen, Cathay" on back, ex-Chu Shih-Cheh, Yuan Han-Yun (1927), E.Busch, Ma Ra-Chuen (1944), Allen Gokson (1944), listed In James B.Whang (No.310) and illustrated on page 516. Also illustrated on page 77 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue.....(7) 20,000.00

1885 Small Dragon - Perf. 12½



- 87 ★ 1885 1can green, 3can lilac, 5can greenish yellow, set of three, Perforation Clean Cut 12½, unused with original gum, h.r., 5can with rounded lower right corner and minor hinge toning, otherwise fine-v.f. (Chan 13-15) cat. \$1,000(10-12) 250.00



- 88 ★ 1885 1can green, 3can lilac, 5can greenish yellow, set of three, Perforations Rough 12½, unused with original gum, h.r., 5can with minor hinge thin and wrinkled, otherwise fine-v.f. (Chan 16-18) cat. \$1,000(10-12) 250.00



- 89 P 1885 1can green, imperforate Plate Proof on unwatermarked vertically laid paper, horizontal pair, slight toning, otherwise fine(10P) 1,000.00



- 90 ★★田 1885 3can pale lilac, Rough Perf. 12½, upper left sheet corner margin block of four, with gutter at left, position 2 showing split "3" constant cliché position, n.h., delicate color, fresh and v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$1,600(11,11var) 2,000.00



- 91 P 1885 3can pale lilac, imperforate horizontal pair on watermarked gummed paper, h.r. at left, faint gum toning, v.f. Originally believed to be another proof, but Die has a variety in the right margin (Vertical dash over "D"), position 12/40 from unrecorded left pane(11P) 1,000.00

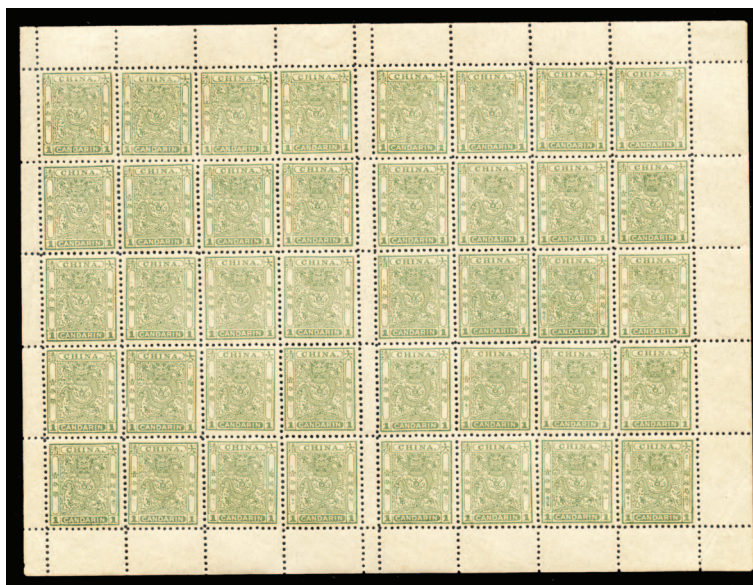


- 92 田 1885 5can greenish yellow, Rough Perf. 12½, block of 15 (3x5), canceled by ten blue Tientsin Seal chops, fine and attractive multiple, cat. \$2,100.....(12) 500.00

1888 Small Dragon - Perf. 11½-12



- 93 ★ 1888 1can green, 3can lilac, 5can greenish yellow, set of three, Perforations Clean Cut 11½ and 12, unused with original gum, l.h., fresh, fine-v.f. (Chan 19-21) cat. \$760(13-15) 250.00

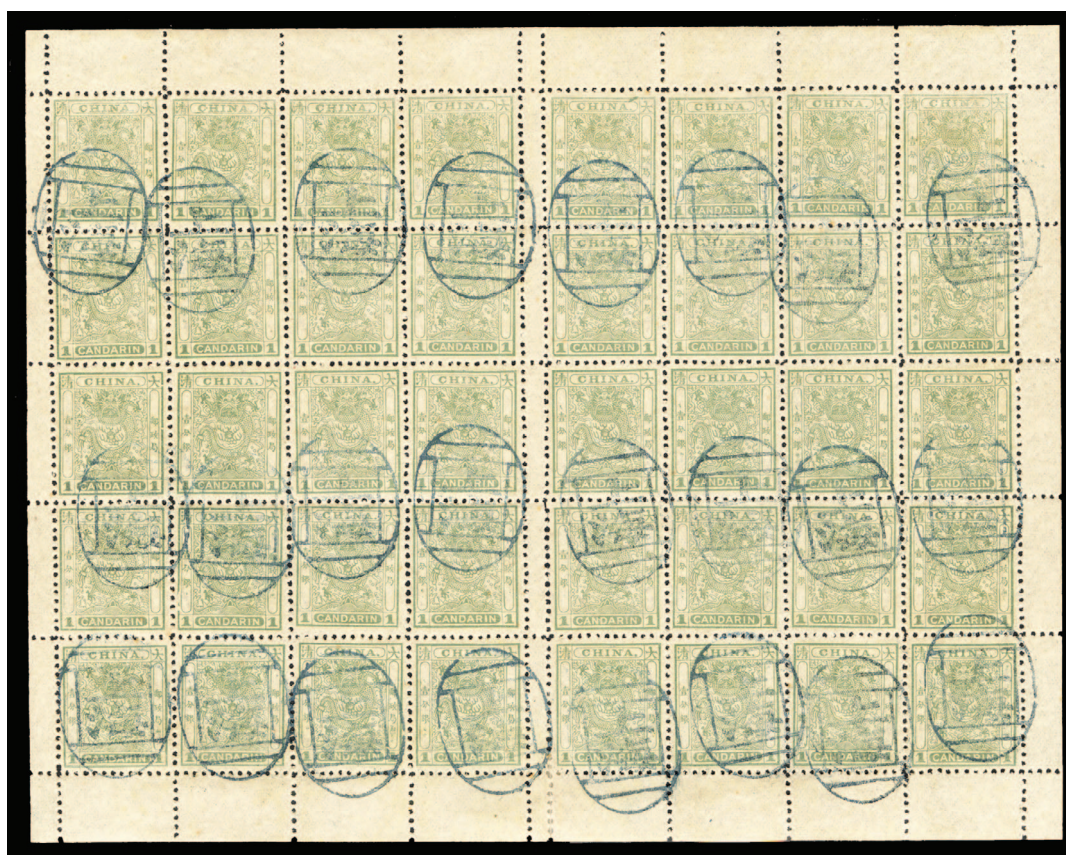


- 94 ★★田 1888 1can green, Perf. 12, Setting VII, full horizontal gutter sheet of 50 with intact margins all around, l.h. in top margin, stamps n.h. and post office fresh, occasional tiny perf. separations, v.f. sheet of 1candareen, ex-Sir Percival David collection (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$4,250(13) 5,000.00



- 95 田 1888 1can green, Setting IV, pane of 20, Newchwang seal cancels, stamps with full original gum, mostly n.h., fine-v.f., attractive pane, cat. \$1,200(13)

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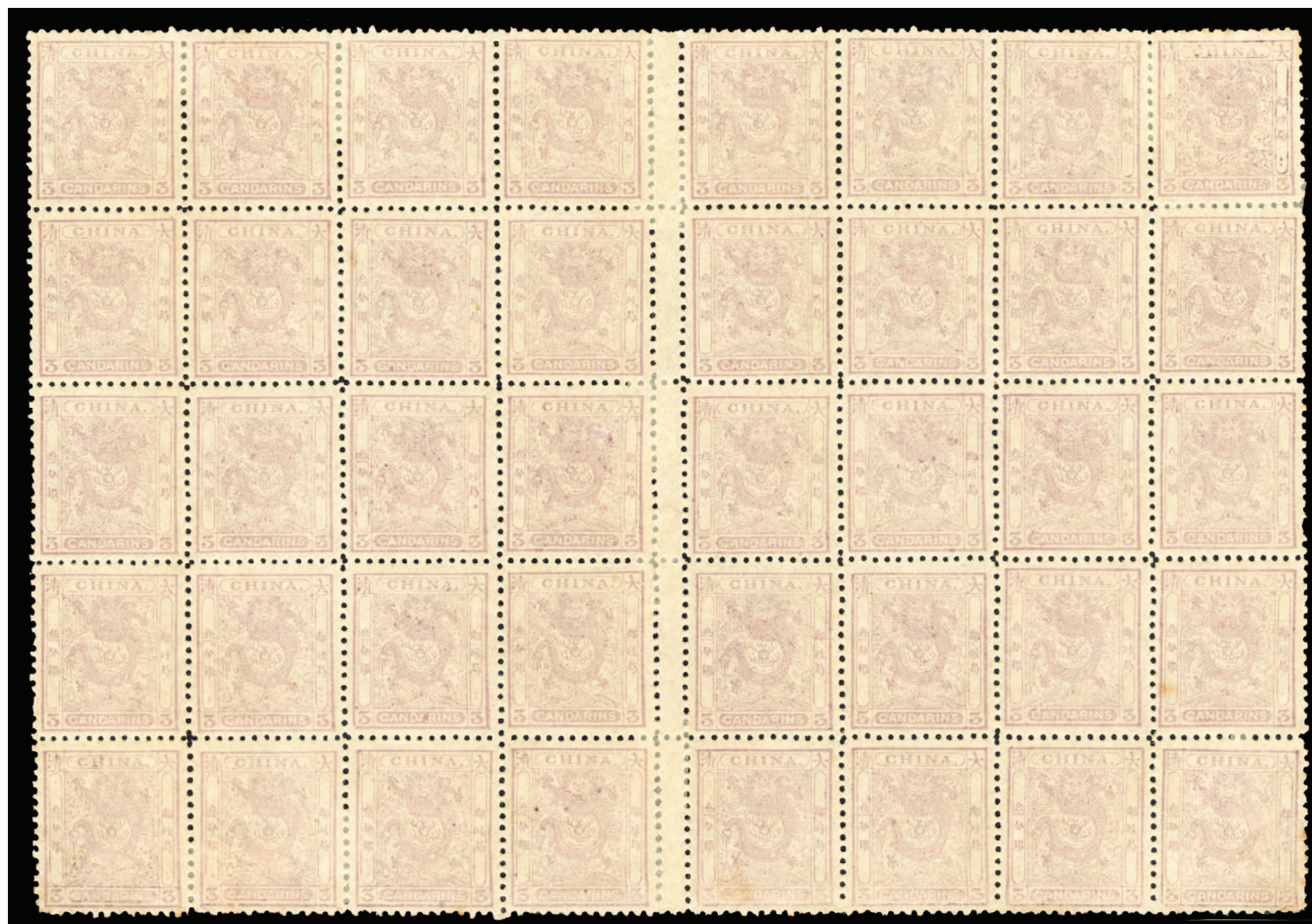


- 96 田 1888 1can green, Perf. 12, unrecorded setting, full horizontal gutter sheet of 50 with intact margins all around, canceled by 24 blue (modern) Seal Cancels (Shanghai), full original gum, some perf. separations, fine-v.f. and impressive sheet (catalogued as used singles) cat. \$3,000(13)

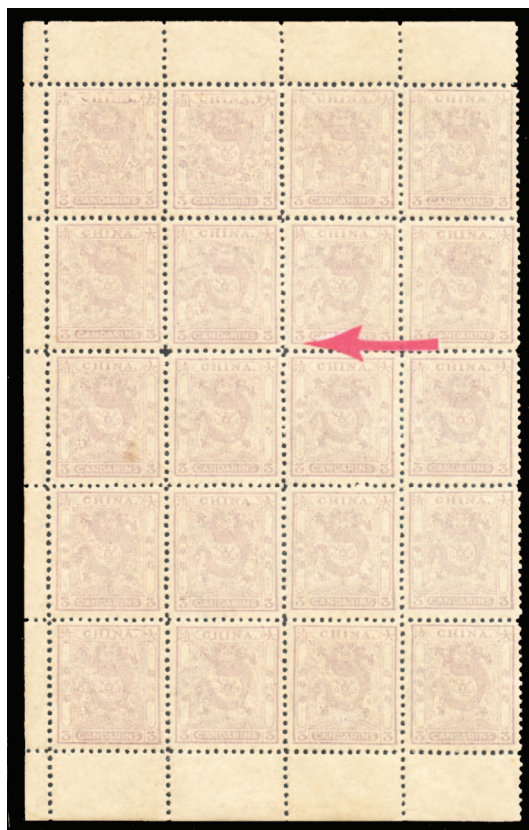
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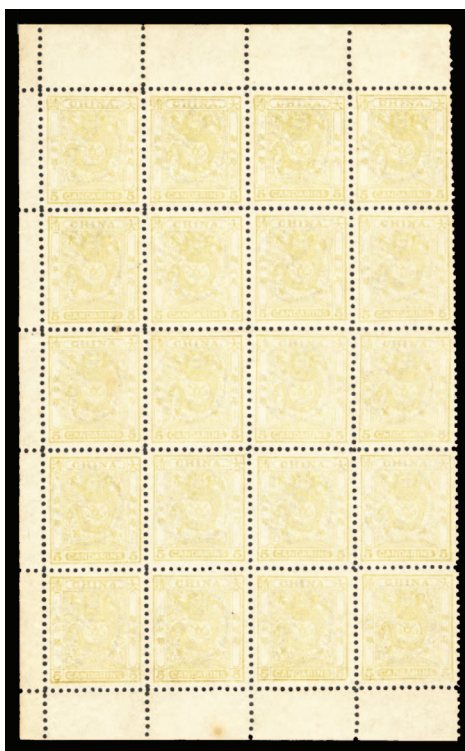
97 ★★ 1888 3can lilac, block of four, h.r., fine-v.f., cat. \$800(14) 250.00



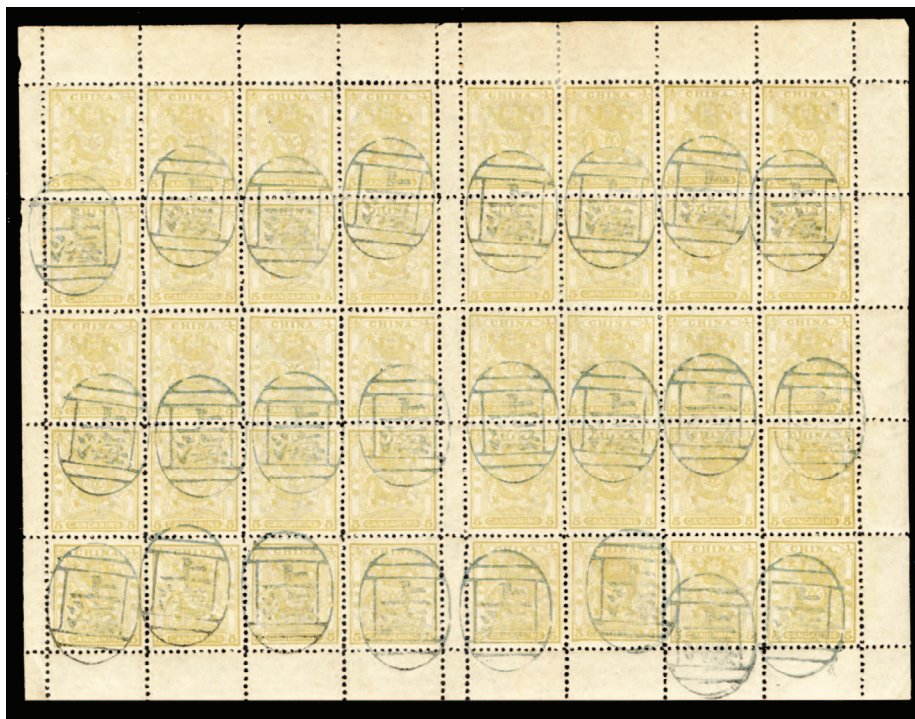
98 ★/★★田 1888 3can lilac, Perf. 12, Setting II, horizontal gutter sheet of 50, margins removed, some hinge reinforcements, many n.h.. occasional tiny perf. separations and faint toning in places, v.f. sheet of 3candareens (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$10,000(14) 5,000.00



- 99 ★★田 1888 3can pale lilac, Perf. 12, unknown Setting, upper left sheet corner margin pane of 20, position 7 showing split "3" constant cliché position, stamps n.h., fine-v.f., rare multiple (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$4,000(14,14var) 4,000.00



- 100 ★★田 1888 5can greenish yellow, left sheet margin pane of 20, Setting II, stamps n.h., some pre-print creasing through three stamps in the middle, minor toning on two stamps and bottom margin, vivid and unusually sharp color, v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$8,000(15) 5,000.00



- 101 田 1888 5c greenish yellow, complete horizontal gutter sheet of 50, with full margins, Setting III, canceled by 24 Shanghai Modern Seal cancels, fine-v.f., rare sheet, cat. \$8,750(15) 5,000.00



- 102 ★ 1888 5c greenish yellow, clear double impression, l.h., fine (Chan 21f) cat. \$1,100(15c) 750.00

Small Dragon on cover



- 103 匣 1891 (29 Dec) cover from Shanghai to Tientsin, franked with 3c pale lilac, Rough Perf. 12½ variety showing split "3" at bottom left tablet, tied by Seal cancel, with Customs Shanghai departure pmks and blue Customs Tientsin Jan 15, 92 arrival pm back, fine example of this constant cliché plate flaw on cover, rare, if not the only one discovered to date(11var) 2,000.00



- 104 1892 (5 June) cover from Tientsin to Taku, franked with horizontal strip of 3x1c green (Plate 7, cliche positions 22, 23, 24/40), tied by blue Seal Cancels, with Customs Tientsin departure pmk on back, little toning, unusual usage of three 1c green instead of single 3c green on cover .(13)

500.00



- 105 1892 (5 Jan) cover (opened for display) from Tientsin to Shanghai, single 3c green franking, tied by violet seal, with blue Customs Tientsin departure, Shanghai Local Post and arrival (Jan 21) Customs Shanghai on reverse, back cover stains and minor mending, otherwise fine usage from Icebound Tientsin, sent by courier via Chinkiang(14)

500.00



- 106 1893 (20 Nov) cover from Tientsin to the United States, franked with 1c green and 5c greenish yellow, tied by blue Tientsin Seal cancels, sent via the Imperial Japanese Post Office where 5c was added and tied by "Shanghai I.J.P.O. Meiji" cds, with blue Customs Tientsin departure, Customs Shanghai (Nov 24), Yokohama (Nov 30) and San Francisco (27 Dec) postmarks on back, filling folds away from the stamps, splendid combination franking from Tientsin, via Japanese Post Office in Shanghai to USA(13,15)

2,500.00

1894 Dowager Empress 60th Birthday - Proofs



- 107 P 1894 1c-24c imperforate card proofs in black, complete set of nine, vivid colors, fresh, v.f. (16-24P) 2,500.00



- 108 P 1894 1c-24c imperforate proofs on very thin (cigarette) paper in issued colors, sheet margin singles, some with engraver's guide marks, complete set of nine, fresh, v.f.(16-24P) 2,500.00



- 109 P 1894 5c orange, imperforate proof canceled by red "Customs Anping" March 20, 1895 pmk, v.f. (stated to have been personally applied by R.A. de Villard, Shanghai Customs official and designer. The existence of standard Customs chop for "Anping" confirms that Postal service was imminent for Formosa province, whose fall to Japan in 1895 ended that plan)(20P) 1,500.00

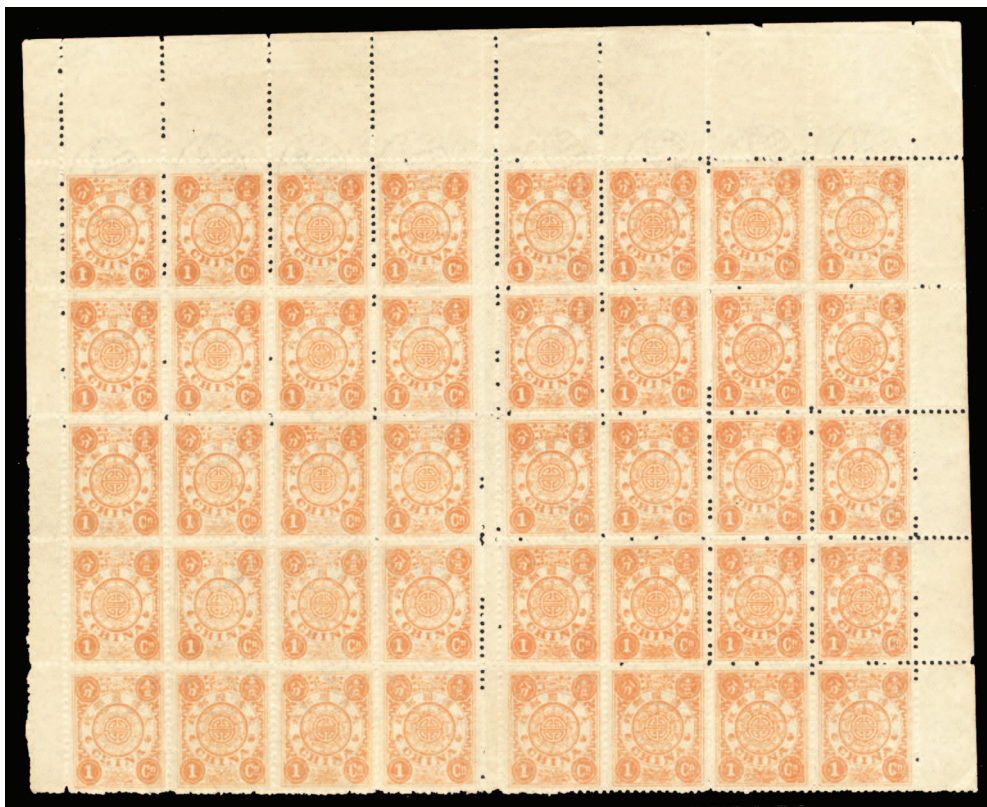
1894 Dowager Empress 60th Birthday - First Issue



- 110 ★ 1894 1c-24c complete set of nine, h.r. (few heavy), 24c disturbed original gum, fresh colors, fine-v.f., cat. \$2,733.....(16-24) 1,000.00



- 111 ★ 1894 1c-24c complete set of nine, h.r. (few heavy), 24c disturbed original gum, fresh colors, fine-v.f., cat. \$2,733.....(16-24) 1,000.00



- 112 ★/★★田 1894 1c orange red, top margin gutter pane of 50 from panes 3 and 4, n.h. except minor hinge reinforcements at bottom, few minor perf. separations, v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$3,000.....(16) 1,500.00



- 113 ○ 1894 1c vermilion, vertical pair imperf. between, blue seal cancels, minor flaws, fine and scarce variety (Chan 22a) cat. \$3,500(16a) 3,000.00



- 114 ★★ 1894 1c orange red, variety imperf. at bottom, right gutter margin single, n.h., v.f. (Chan 22d, \$2,000)(16var) 1,000.00



- 115 ★田 1894 2c green, imperf. top gutter margin, vertical left sheet margin block of six, yielding two single varieties, minor h.r. at right, left pair n.h., fine and rare (Chan 23c, \$4,000)(17var) 2,500.00



- 116 ○ 1894 3c orange, horizontal pair imperf. between, blue seal cancel, fresh and fine, scarce (Chan 24c, \$9,000) cat. \$13,340.....(18b) 4,000.00



- 117 ★ 1894 3c orange, variety imperf. right gutter margin, h.r., fine. Also included another single with a wide margin at left (Chan 24e, \$800)(18var) 500.00



- 118 ★ 1894 6c dark brown, variety imperf. left gutter margin, h.r., fine (Chan 27g, \$1,000)(21var) 500.00



- 119 ○ 1894 9c green, imperf. single with gum, large margins, with red R. de Villard's chop, fresh and v.f., rare imperf. variety(22a) 1,500.00



- 120 ★ 1894 9c green, vertical sheet margin tête-beche pair, h.r., fine, cat. \$2,000(22e) 1,000.00



- 121 ○ 1894 9c green, vertical tete-beche pair, Shanghai seal cancel, v.f., scarce used, only about 85 tete-beche pairs recorded (Chan 28g, \$3,000)(22e) 1,500.00



- 122 ★ 1894 9c green, horizontal tete-beche pair, dried disturbed gum, h.r., fine (horizontal tete-beche pairs are seldom found), cat. \$1,500(22i) 1,000.00



- 123 ★ 1894 9c green, perforated and gummed single on unwatermarked paper, pos. 7, l.h., fine and rare, only one pane of 20 (!) recorded (CSS 29bb, Chan 28q, \$1,500)(22var) 1,500.00



- 124 ★ 1894 12c brown orange, upper left sheet corner margin single, with guide mark at top margin, l.h., fresh, v.f. and rare positional piece, cat. \$700(23) 500.00



- 125 ★/★★田 1894 12c brown orange, left sheet margin block of six, middle stamps l.h., outer four stamps n.h., post office fresh, fine-v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$4,200(23) 2,500.00



- 126 ★ 1894 24c carmine, vertical pair imperf. between, l.h. (if at all), fresh, v.f. Only five (!) pairs recorded (Chan 30a) cat. \$37,500(24a) 20,000.00



- 127 ★ 1894 24c carmine, variety imperf. right gutter margin, h.r., fine(24var) 2,500.00

Dowager Empress 60th Birthday - 1897 Issue

- 128 ★ 1897 Lithographed in Shanghai, 1can-24can complete set of nine, l.h. or h.r., excellent colors, fresh, fine-v.f., rare (Chan 22S-30S, \$17,100) cat. \$22,950(16n-24n) 10,000.00

Dowager Empress 60th Birthday - Mollendorf Issue

- 129 ★ 1c-24c complete set of nine, l.h. or n.h., fresh colors, fine-v.f. (Baron Paul von Mollendorf, chief of the Customs Statistical Department, had samples from the new stones made and printed on thick, unwatermarked paper, intended for VIPs and postal officials. Although 5,000 sets were printed, many were lost or discarded by disinterested recipients) (Chan 22M-30M) cat. \$3,100(16-24var) 2,500.00

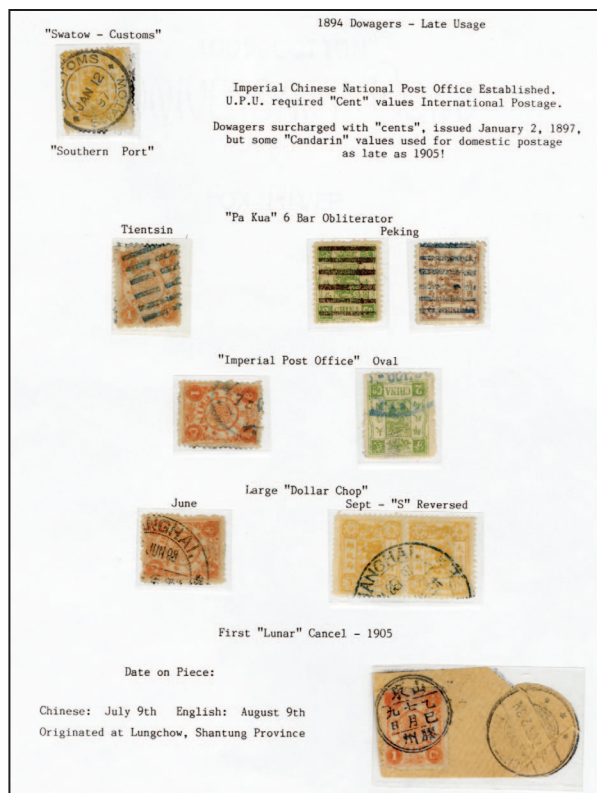


- 130 ★ 1c-24c complete set of nine, l.h. or h.r., fresh colors, fine-v.f. (Baron Paul von Mollendorf, chief of the Customs Statistical Department, had samples from the new stones made and printed on thick, unwatermarked paper, intended for VIPs and postal officials. Although 5,000 sets were printed, many were lost or destroyed) (Chan 22M-30M) cat. \$3,100(16-24var) 2,500.00

Dowager Commemorative Issue Cancels



- 131 田 1894 Shanghai Seal cancels, 1c orange red, block of four, each stamp canceled in blue ink, fine
.....(16) 250.00



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Late usage cancels, selection on page, with "Customs Swatow Jan 12, 97", Tientsin and Peking with 6-bar Pakua obliterators, Imperial Post Office cancels in blue oval, Large Dollar Chops of Shanghai, also 1c canceled on piece by Lungchow pmk in blue, with 2/7/03 arrival pmks alongside(16/21)

500.00



133

Red cancels, selection including "Customs Kiukiang" on 1c, "Customs Wenchow" and red Seal, both applied on 6c dark brown, plus "Customs Wuhu" on 3c (faulty) and 9c, very scarce(16/22)

500.00



134 田

1894 "Customs Shanghai" double circle postmarks in brown (2c, 12c), in blue (1c, 2c, 2x6c and vertical pair of 9c) and in black (3c, 4c, 5c and block of 4x9c), various dates, some faults noted (including the block of four), rare assembly(16/23)

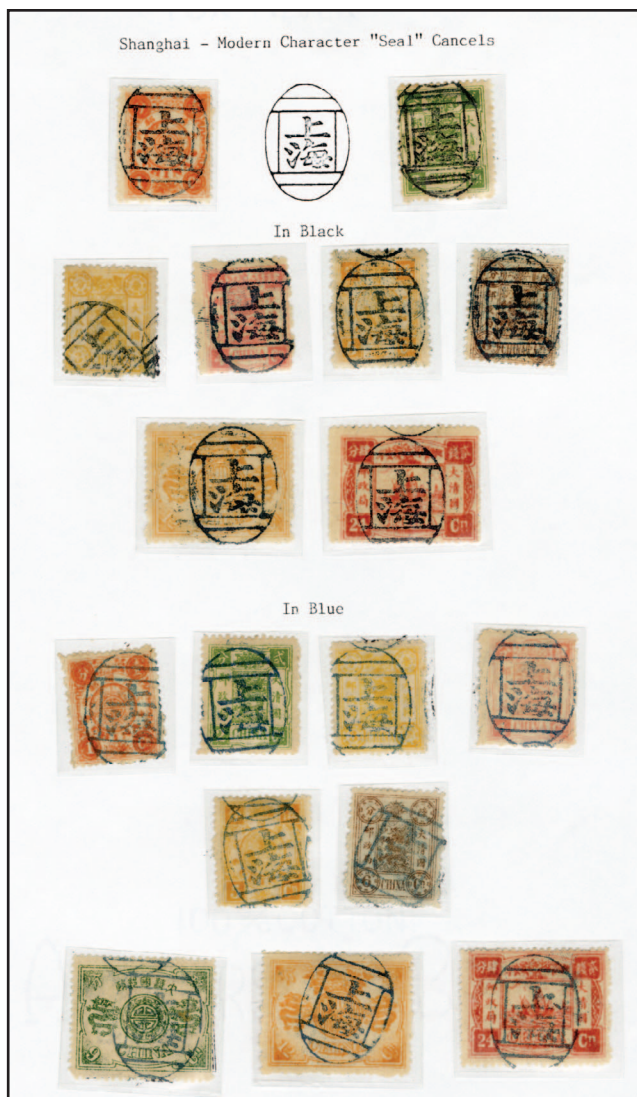
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135 ○

1894 Shanghai Seal cancels (ancient "Grass" characters), 1c-24c eight different canceled in blue ink, also 1c-4c and vertical pair of 9c canceled in black ink, splendid group(16/24)

1,000.00



- 136 ○ 1894 Shanghai Seal cancels (modern characters), 1c-24c eight different canceled in black ink, also 1c-24c nine different canceled in blue ink, incredibly difficult to assemble(16/24) 2,000.00



- 137 ○ 1894 Tientsin Seal cancels in "Royal Blue" 1c-24c, six different, each with a fair strike, fine
.....(16/24) 500.00



- 138 ○ Newchwang Seal cancels 3c (2), 4c, 5c, 12c and 24c, six singles with large seal cancels, fine and scarce group(17/24) 500.00



- 139 ○ Chefoo Seal cancels, 2c-24c seven different, also 3c and 4c canceled "Customs Chefoo", both canceled Dec 1894 (the latter Dec 20).....(17/24) 500.00



- 140 ○ 1894 Peking Seal cancels in "Royal Blue", 2c-24c seven different singles, plus 1c, 3c, 5c (2), 9c and 12c, six strips of three, precanceled with Peking Seals, all with original gum on reverse, beautiful group(17/24) 1,500.00

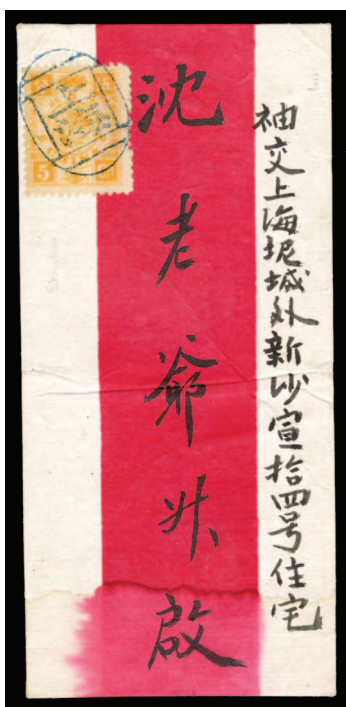


- 141 ○ 1894 24c dark carmine, canceled "Kowloon Customs Apr 1895", rough perforations, faint marginal toning, fine (Kowloon Customs was established 1887-1896 on peninsula just north of Hong Kong. Its principal function was to collect taxes, mostly on opium shipments from Macao. There was little commercial correspondence and very few "Customs Kowloon" markings are known from this period)(24) 500.00



- 142 田 1894 Tientsin Seal cancels in "Royal Blue", 24c carmine, block of four with three seals, wrinkles, still a fine and rare multiple (Tientsin, only 80 miles east from the capital was the river port for Peking)(24) 500.00

Dowager Commemorative Issue - Covers



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- 143 ☐ 1895 (Jan) red-band cover franked with 5c yellow, tied by Shanghai blue seal (modern characters) cancel, with "Customs Shanghai Jan 17, 1895" double-circle arrival pmk on back 250.00
- 144 ☐ 1895 (3 June) cover ("Ach. Riva Shanghai China" return address on back flap) franked with 3c yellow, tied by blue seal, addressed to Wenchow, with "Customs Shanghai Jun 3 1895" departure pmk on back 250.00




- 145 ☐ 1896 (29 July) Credit Lyonnais bank registered cover from Paris to Peking, addressed to Mr. Blancher, Interpreter of the French Legation, paying 50c with Type Sage franking, sent via Marseille and Tientsin, where 9c green was added to pay the required domestic rate, showing the rare "Tientsin R" registry handstamp oval in red, blue Seal tying the stamp, with I.G. Customs Peking Sep 10, 96 arrival pmk on back, fine and rare combination franking (43 days in transit) 2,500.00



- 146  1896 (26 Sep) cover franked with 3c orange, tied by blue Tientsin Seal (modern), addressed to Mr. Berteaux, Chancellor of the French Legation in Peking, with blue "Customs Tientsin Sep 26 96" departure and "I.G. Customs Peking Sept 27 96" arrival pmks on back

250.00



- 147  1896 (5 Mar) cover (opened for display) from Peking to United States, franked with pair of 3c yellow, tied by oval blue Peking seal, sent via the Japanese Post Office where 5sen ultramarine was added to pay for further transmission to USA (China was not a UPU member), canceled at Imperial Japanese Post Office (I.J.P.O) at Shanghai, sent via Yokohama, arriving on April 13th in Evanston, Illinois, with I.G. of Customs Peking and Customs Shanghai transit pmks, cover with tape reinforcements and minor repairs, still a fine Dowager and Japanese franking combination

1,000.00

1897 Surcharges on Small Dragon



- 148 ★田 1897 1c on 1can green, 2c on 3can lilac, 5c on 5can greenish yellow, blocks of four, h.r. or l.h., fresh, fine-v.f. set, cat. \$2,960(25-27)

1,500.00



- 149 ★/★★田 1897 1c on 1can green, pane of 25, with margins on three sides, Setting V, numeral plate flaw varieties noted, including serif almost missing from "1" (pos.18) and others, some hinge reinforced, others mostly n.h., minor perf. toning affecting two stamps, fine multiple (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$2,875(25)

750.00

Surcharges - small numerals 2½mm



- 150 ★ 1897 surcharges, complete set of nine, h.r. (some with paper hinges), fresh, fine-v.f., cat. \$2,000
.....(28-37) 1,000.00



- 151 ★ 1897 ½c orange, fraction bar and "2" of "½" omitted, h.r., fresh and fine example of this scarce variety, cat. \$850(28a) 500.00



- 152 ★ 1897 ½c orange, fraction bar and "2" of "½" omitted, horizontal pair, left stamp is the variety, h.r., faint gum toning, rare se-tenant pair showing the variety in position 1 (this occurred only in the earliest printing, quickly discovered and corrected) (Chen 37i, \$600) cat. \$895.....(28,28a) 500.00



- 153 ★田 1897 ½c orange, fraction bar and "2" of "½" omitted, block of four, upper left stamp is the variety, h.r., faint gum toning, rare se-tenant block of four showing the variety in position 1 (this occurred only in the earliest printing, quickly discovered and corrected), cat. \$985(28,28a) 500.00



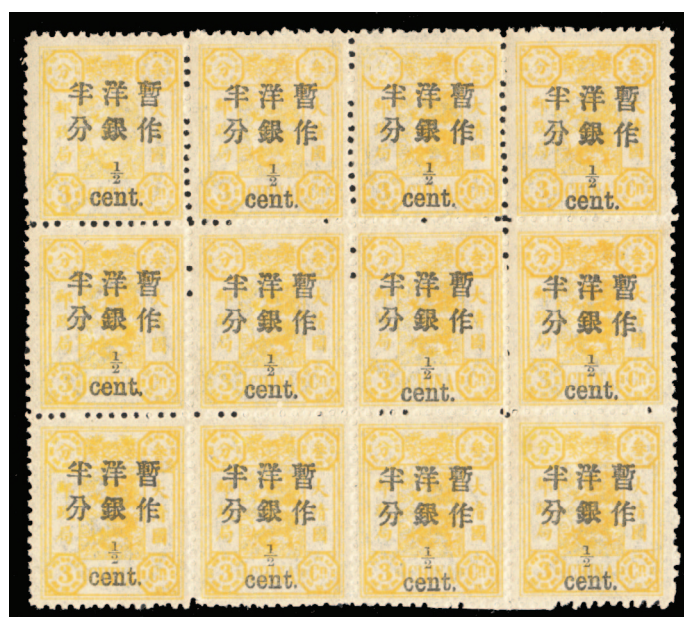
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- 154 ○ 1897 ½c orange, fraction bar and “2” of “½” omitted, “Customs Canton” cancel, fine (Chen 37i, \$400) cat. \$375(28a) 300.00
- 155 ○ 1897 ½c orange, fraction bar and “2” of “½” omitted, Hankow Pakua cancel, creases, fine appearance, cat. \$375(28a) 200.00



- 156 ★ 1897 ½c on 3c orange, top sheet margin vertical pair imperf. between stamps and at bottom h.r. faint toning, rare (Chan 37l) cat. \$11,000(28c) 5,000.00



- 157 ★/★★田 1897 ½c on 3c orange, block of 12, position 7 with 4mm space between Chinese characters and “½”, mostly n.h., including variety, fine-v.f.(28,28f) 500.00



- 158 ★田 1897 1/2c brownish yellow, horizontal gutter block of four, l.h., fine example of this elusive shade
.....(28g)

500.00



- 159 ★/★★田 1897 1/2c on 3c brownish orange yellow, right sheet margin block of 12, position 7 with 4mm space
between Chinese characters and "1/2", h.r. or n.h., some gum toning, still fine-v.f.(28g,28i)

750.00



- 160 ★田 1897 1c on 1can orange red, block of four, position 1 with wide space (4mm) between Chinese
characters and "1", straight edge at bottom, h.r., fine-v.f., rare, cat. \$500(29,29b)

500.00



- 161 ○ 1897 1c and 5c surcharges, each canceled "Customs Shanghai 2 Jan 1897" (First Day of Issue), some short perfs, otherwise fine(29,32) 250.00



- 162 (★) 1897 1c-10c surcharges, six different, l.h. or h.r., bottom pairs mostly n.h., fresh colors, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,520(29-34) 500.00



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- 163 ★ 1897 1c on 1can orange red, wide space (4mm) between Chinese characters and "1", h.r., fine, cat. \$500(29b) 250.00
- 164 ○ 1897 1c on 1can orange red, variety showing "1" over "e" of "Cent" (instead of over "en"), gutter at right, used, fine (Chan 38c, \$300)(29var) 200.00



- 165 ○ 1897 2c on 2can green, double surcharge, Hankow Pakua cancel, straight edge at bottom, fine and very rare stamp, only 10 recorded, with 2023 Frumkin certificate (Chan 39c) cat. \$11,500(30c) 5,000.00



- 166 ○ 1897 2c on 2can green, wide space (4mm) between Chinese characters and "2", used, fine, cat. \$500(30f) 250.00



- 167 ○ 1897 4c on 4can rose pink, double surcharge, canceled "Imperial Post Office Whampoa" date filled-in by hand "17-3-97" (earliest known!), nibbed perforations at left, fine and extremely rare double surcharge error, bearing a scarce Whampoa postmark, with 2023 Frumkin certificate (Chan 40f) cat. \$20,000(31a) 10,000.00



- 168 ★ 1897 5c on 5can dull orange, wide space (4mm) between Chinese characters and "5", l.h., fresh and fine, cat. \$800(32b) 500.00



- 169 ○ 1897 5c on 5can dull orange, 8c on 6c dark brown, each wide space (4mm) between Chinese characters and "5", used, the former thin, otherwise fine-v.f., cat. \$1,100(32b,33d) 500.00



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- 170 ★田 1897 8c on 6can dark brown, block of four, h.r., v.f., cat. \$240(33) 150.00
- 171 ★★田 1897 8c on 6can dark brown, gutter block of four, n.h., v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$240(33) 250.00



- 172 ★ 1897 8c on 6can dark brown, vertical strip of three, imperf. between and at bottom, l.h., faint toning at bottom, fresh and fine, very rare (Chan 42e) cat. \$15,000(33b) 5,000.00



- 173 ○ 1897 8c on 6can dark brown, variety imperf. right margin, fine (CSS 48f, used unpriced)(33var) 500.00



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| 174 | ★★田 | 1897 10c on 9can green, upper right sheet corner margin block of eight, n.h., upper right stamp showing retouch (UR corner), minor gum toning affecting two stamps at top right, otherwise fine and impressive multiple (Chan 44.44b) (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$3,800(35) | 2,500.00 |
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| 175 ★ | 1897 10c on 9can green, two distinct shades, each showing retouch at upper right corner, l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f. (catalogued as regular stamps) (Chan 44b) cat. \$950.....(35var) | 500.00 |
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| 176 | ○ | 1897 10c on 12can brown orange, vertical pair imperf. between, canceled "Customs Shanghai" in brown ink, lightly folded between stamps, v.f. and rare variety (Chan 44e, \$12,000) cat. \$4,500..... | (36b) 2,500.00 |
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| 177 ★ | 1897 10c on 12can brown orange, three distinct shades, h.r., one with pencil writing on back,
another handstamped "Gebr.Senf. Leipzig", natural gum creases, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,500(36) | 500.00 |
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| 178 | ★★田 | 1897 30c on 24can carmine, right sheet margin block of four showing engraver's centering mark ("+") at bottom right, n.h. and post office fresh, v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) (Chan 46) cat. | \$2,400..... | (37) | 2,500.00 |
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| 179 ★ | 1897 30c on 24can carmine, variety imperf. at right (margin with engraver's centering mark ("+"), h.r., faint gum toning, fine | (37var) 5,000.00 |
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- 180 ★★ 1897 30c on 24can carmine, left sheet margin vertical strip of three, top two stamps with inverted watermark, bottom stamp without watermark, n.h., v.f. and unusual error (paper incorrectly fed into printing press). Only 10 (!) unwatermarked stamps reported(37var) 2,500.00



- 181 (★) 1897 30c on 24can carmine, faint "double surcharge" ("Kiss" variety), unused without gum, creases and minor thins, fine appearance(37var) 500.00

Surcharges - Large Numerals 2½mm



- 182 ★/★★ 1897 surcharges, eight different, mostly l.h., ½c on 3c with sheet margin, n.h., 10c on 9c creased, others fine-v.f. (Chan 47-53,55) cat. \$9,555.....(38-44,46) 5,000.00



- 183 ○ 1897 1/2c on 3c orange, horizontal pair, surcharge inverted, "Customs" postmark, right stamp showing "1/2" over "n" of "cent", additional variety broken character, full original gum (n.h.), left stamp with vertical crease at left, otherwise fine and very rare pair of inverted surcharges, with 2023 Frumkin certificate (Chan 47b).....(38b) 15,000.00



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- 184 (★) 1897 2c on 2c green, basic stamp faded, some red ink offsets and creases, fine appearance(40var) 500.00
- 185 ★ 1897 2c on 2c green, significant shift of surcharge, split to both sides, l.h., v.f.(40var) 500.00



- 186 ★ 1897 10c on 12c brown orange, unused with original gum, h.r., fresh color, well centered for issue, minor overall gum toning, just showing through at top, fine example of the 10cents on 12 candareen Large Dowager surcharge with 2 1/2m spacing on the original 1894 Shanghai printing, the iconic "Golden Dragon", one of Imperial China's rarest unused stamps, less than 10 (!) known, F.Z. Chun handstamp on reverse, with 2023 Frumkin certificate (Chan 54) cat. \$87,500(45) 50,000.00



- 187 (★) 1897 30c on 24can carmine, major perforation shift resulting in a right margin imperf. variety, unused without gum, very rare(46var) 2,000.00



- 188 ○ 1897 30c on 24can carmine, variety "30" is 2mm above cents, blue Shanghai cancel, fine, (Chan 64d)(46var) 2,000.00



- 189 ○ 1897 30c on 24can carmine, variety "30" is 2mm above cents, used, v.f., (Chan 64d).....(46var) 1,500.00



- 190 ○ 1897 30c on 24can carmine, variety "30" shifted to right, used, minor perf. flaws, otherwise fine(46var) 250.00



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| 191 | ★ | 1897 surcharges on the Shanghai Printing, complete set of nine, l.h. or h.r., fresh, fine-v.f., scarce complete set (Chan 56-64) cat. \$2,642.....(47-55) | 1,000.00 |
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| 192 | ○ | 1897 10c on 12c green, 30c on 24c carmine, canceled Shanghai in blue and brown, irregular perforations, attractive..... | (54-55) | 500.00 |
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Surcharges - 1½mm Below Chinese Characters



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| 193 | ○ | 1897 surcharges, seven different, l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f., rare (Chan 65-66, 68-72) cat. \$5,090..... | |
| | |(56-57,59-63) | 2,500.00 |



- 194 ★ 1897 30c on 24c Purplish Red, Large Dowager Surcharge, Narrow Spacing on 1st Printing, unused with full original gum, small h.r., pencil writing on back, nibbed perforations along top, otherwise sound and fresh. An excellent example of the so-called "Red Ruby", one of Imperial China's great rarities, less than 10(!) known, with 2023 Frumkin certificate (Chan 73) cat. \$80,000(64) 50,000.00

Surcharges - 1½mm Spacing



- 195 ★ 1897 surcharges, seven different, h.r., fine-v.f. (Chan 74-80) cat. \$1,375(65-71) 500.00



- 196 ○ 1897 ½c on 3c yellow, surcharge error ½mm spacing instead of 1½mm, used, small defects, fine appearance, rare (Chan 74f) cat. \$8,000(65b) 2,500.00



- 197 ★ 1897 10c on 9c green, surcharge inverted, h.r., wide margins, fresh color, rare stamp, with 2023 Frumkin certificate, cat. \$3,000(70a) 2,000.00



- 198 ○ 1897 10c on 9c green, surcharge inverted, canceled to order by large bilingual Pakhoi Dollar chop, 8 May 1897, full original gum, small thin, otherwise fine and rare surcharge error, especially attractive with the complete postmark date, with 2023 Frumkin certificate, cat. \$2,000(70a) 1,000.00



- 199 ★ 1897 30c on 24c purplish red, h.r., several small paper remnants on reverse and few natural gum creases, remarkably fresh color and no trace of toning, well centered for issue, with full perforations all around, fine example of the 30 cents on 24 candareen Large Dowager surcharge with narrow spacing on Shanghai printing, T.C.Chen (Cathay) handstamp on back, with 2023 Frumkin certificate ("Exceptional example of this stamp") (Chan 81) cat. \$13,000.....(72) 10,000.00



- 200 ★ 1897 1/2c on 3c yellow, surcharge error 1/2mm spacing instead of 1 1/2mm, h.r., fresh and fine (position 19 on pane 2, printed on "Reserve Plates"). A rarity, cat. \$6,000(73a) 3,000.00



- 201 ★ 1897 1/2c on 3c yellow, variety Serif on "1" missing, also another single showing surcharge shifted to top, h.r., fine(73var) 250.00
- 202 ○ 1897 1/2c on 3c yellow, variety Serif on "1" missing, canceled Shanghai, fine(73var) 150.00



- 203 ★ 1897 2c on 2can yellow green, horizontal strip of three, left pair variety imperf. between, l.h., some shorter perfs at bottom, fresh and fine, cat. \$10,000.....(74a) 5,000.00



- 204 ★○ 1897 2c on 2can yellow green, "Bat" variety, used, also unused single with misaligned perforations at top.....(74var) 150.00

Surcharges - 1½mm Spacing on 1888 Small Dragon



- 205 ★ 1897 1c on 1can green, 2c on 3can lilac and 5c on 5can greenish yellow, set of three, each with right sheet margin gutter, l.h., fine-v.f., cat. \$1,975(75-77) 1,000.00



206 田

1897 1c on 1can green, 2c on 3can lilac and 5c on 5can greenish yellow, set of three blocks of four, each with a centrally struck bilingual Pakhoi Dollar chop, canceled May 8, 1897, stamps with full, slightly toned original gum, fine-v.f., cat. \$9,400(75-77)

5,000.00



207 ★田

1897 5c on 5can greenish yellow, block of four with gutter selvage at right, lower right (pos.20 of the pane) with "Bat" variety, dried gum, fine-v.f., scarce positional multiple, cat. \$1,500(77)

1,000.00



208 ★

1897 5c on 5can greenish yellow, upper left sheet margin single and vertical sheet margin pair, l.h. or n.h., v.f., cat. \$1,125(77)

500.00

Dowager Surcharges on cover



- 209 209 1897 (11 Sep) cover from Tientsin to Peking (French Legation), franked with 4c on 4can rose pink, tied by Tientsin Pakua cancel, supported by Large Dollar chop, with corresponding Large Dollar Peking chop applied on arrival on back, v.f.(68) 1,000.00



- 210 210 1897 (4 Aug) red-band cover (opened for display) from Canton to Shanghai, franked with 4c on 4can rose pink, tied by inverted Canton Pakua cancel, supported by Large Dollar chop, with corresponding Large Dollar Shanghai arrival on back, various chops in Chinese, including "Don't Pay More Postage" in red, fine cover(50) 1,500.00



- 211 ☒ 1897 (14 Feb) registered cover (opened for display) franked on back with 1c, 2c and pair of 8c surcharges, sent from Tientsin (red oval Registered handstamp, "47" filled in by hand) via Chinkiang to Shanghai, where "Customs Shanghai 22 Feb 1897" pmk in brown was applied, handed over to the Japanese Imperial Shanghai Post Office, where Japanese 5s and 10s adhesives were added, canceled by blue departure pmk, sent via Yokohama and San Francisco to New York, arriving on 26 March, only 40 days in transit, small pieces of cover missing at top, otherwise fine and remarkable combination used from icebound Tientsin to New York(29,30,33) 2,500.00



- 212 ☒ 1897 4c on 4can pink, tied by brown "Customs Shanghai" Feb 20, 1897 postmark on "Russo-Chinese Bank Shanghai" corner cacheted cover to Peking, endorsed "Per Overland Mail", with blue "I.G. of Customs Peking Mar 9 97" arrival pmk on back (winter mail routing from Shanghai to Peking required unusual routing, since Tientsin, the entry port of Peking, was usually icebound. Mail had to be sent to Chinkiang by Yangtze River Mail boat and from there by mounted mail couriers, 700 miles overland, transit time only 17 days)(31) 500.00



213

1898 (4 Aug) cover from Chunking to London, franked with 10c on 9can green, 2½mm space, tied by bilingual Chunking Dollar cancel, sent via (British) Shanghai, where 10c Hong Kong adhesive was added and tied by Aug.23 departure cds, corresponding Shanghai Large Dollar cancel, with London arrival (3 October) on both sides, fine mixed franking combination (19 days Chunking to Shanghai; 41 days from Shanghai to London, total of 60 days)

1,500.00

Red Revenues



214

1897 (22 Apr) registered cover from Shanghai to Germany, franked with a combination of surcharges on Dowager and Red Revenue stamps, ½c, 1c, 2c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, canceled by brown Pakua cancels, sent via the French Post Office in Shanghai where 50c "Chine" was added (23 Apr), with "Customs Shanghai" departure pmk at bottom, two different "R" markings, with transits of Napoli (May 22) and "Amb Roma a Bologna" (May 24) on back, arrival Oppeln on May 27, with the original "Imperial Chinese Post Office Registered Cover" receipt affixed and canceled "Customs Shanghai Apr 22 1897", fine and splendid combination cover from Shanghai, via the French Post Office to Germany, unusual routing via Naples and Milan, through Chiasso and Zurich

15,000.00



- 215 (★)田 1897 1c on 3c red, block of 23, unused without gum, showing varieties in places, good color, fresh and fine-v.f., scarce multiple, cat. \$12,075.....(78) 5,000.00



- 216 ★ 1897 1c on 3c red, horizontal left sheet margin pair, one with "central character with large box" variety, h.r., v.f., cat. \$1,150(78,78b) 500.00



- 217 (★) 1897 1c on 3c red, narrow space "one cent" 3mm below Chinese character, unused without gum, irregular perfs at right, fine, cat. \$700(78c) 250.00



- 218 ✉ 1897 2c on 3c red, well centered, v.f. single tied by large "Chinkiang" Dollar chop dated 18 Sep 1897 on cover (opened for display), addressed to Captain Charles Hohner in Canton, with blue Shanghai (19 Sep) and Canton (24 Sep) arrival postmarks, showing oval "Stubbe & Wentzel Gen. Chinkiang/J.W.Bowers" merchant's handstamp on backflap, fine internal cover(80) 5,000.00



- 219 ★田 1897 4c on 3c red, block of four, h.r., fresh and well centered, v.f., cat. \$6,600(82) 3,000.00



- 220 ○ 1897 4c on 3c red, vertical right sheet margin pair, brown "Shanghai" Dollar chop dated 5 August, full original gum, v.f., cat. \$1,600.....(82) 1,000.00



- 221 ★ 1897 \$1 on 3c red, cliché position 1, unused with original gum, h.r., well centered, v.f., cat. \$5,000.(84) 2,500.00



- 222 (★) 1897 \$1 on 3c red, cliché position 16, unused without gum, small thin, fine appearance, cat. \$5,000(84) 1,500.00



- 223 ★ 1897 \$1 on 3c red, cliché position 17, unused with original gum, h.r., well centered, v.f., cat. \$5,000(84) 2,500.00



- 224 ○ 1897 \$1 on 3c red, cliché position 9, used, some irregular perforations, small thin speck, fine appearance, cat. \$3,250(84) 1,000.00



- 225 ○ 1897 \$1 on 3c red, cliché position 14, used, good color, fine, cat. \$3,250(84) 1,500.00

Imperial Chinese Post



- 226 ★★ 1897 50c black green, n.h., fresh and fine example of this rare color error, red handstamped guarantee mark on back, only 180 printed, with regular stamp included for comparison (catalogued as hinged) (Chan 100a) cat. \$1,850(94,94a) 1,500.00



- 227 ★ 1897 50c blue green, h.r., fresh and fine example of this rare color error, only 80 (!) printed, with regular stamp included for comparison (Chan 100b) cat. \$5,850(94,94b) 2,500.00



- 228 (★) 1897 \$2 orange & yellow, unused without gum, slight toning and short perfs, fine example of this rare stamp (Chan 102) cat. \$3,000(96) 1,000.00



- 229 ★ 1897 \$5 yellow green & pink, h.r., fresh and fine stamp, cat. \$1,800.....(97) 1,000.00



- 230 P 1897 \$5 yellow green & pink, imperforate proof in issued colors on watermarked, ungummed paper, horizontal pair, v.f.(97P) 500.00



- 231 ☒ 1897 (18 Oct) 1/2c Chefoo postal card to Germany, additionally franked with 5c rose red ICP, tied by large Chefoo Dollar dater, sent via the French Post Office in Shanghai, where 10c "Chine" was added, with blue Shanghai 21 October Dollar chop below, Hamburg 25 November arrival, fine and attractive combination 1,000.00



- 232 1898 (28 July) cover to New York, franked on back with 10c ICP (small faults), tied by Pakua chops, sent via the Japanese Post Office in Shanghai, where pair of 5sen adhesives were added and canceled by I.J.P.O. cds, large Chinkiang Dollar chop 28 July 98 at bottom, repeated on back (July 29), Yokohama transit and 28 August arrival pmks on back, fine combination cover from Chinkiang via the Japanese Post Office

750.00

No. <u>131</u> General.	REMITTANCE CERTIFICATE.	No. <u>1</u> <i>Wuhu</i>
IMPERIAL POST OFFICE.		
REMITTANCE.	<i>Kiungchow 22 July 1898.</i>	FEE.
	<p>THIS is to certify that the <i>unobliterated</i> Postage Stamps affixed hereon under the word REMITTANCE, namely, <i>two</i> Stamps of a total value of <i>ten</i> Dollars and <i>two</i> Cents, were purchased at this Office to-day, to be sent to <i>Wuhu</i> and there be redeemed at face value at the I.P.O. within Six Months; and that the <i>obliterated</i> Stamps affixed under the word FEE, namely, <i>one</i> Stamp of a total value of <i>twenty</i> Cents, represent the Commission charged.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>ChunLanfung</i> for Postal Officer.</p> <p><small>N.B.—Holders are warned that payment will be refused if the Stamps affixed hereto are detached, changed, soiled, or torn; if the Certificate be altered, defaced, or mutilated; if it is presented for payment at an Office other than that named in the body of the Certificate; or if it is not cashed before the expiry of Six Months.</small></p>	
\$ <u>10.00</u>	To THE IMPERIAL POST OFFICE, <i>Wuhu</i>	Cents <u>20</u>

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1898 \$5 yellow green & pink, vertical pair affixed in reverse orientation, intentionally uncanceled per postal regulations on Imperial Post Office Remittance Certificate originating in Kiungchow on 22 July 1898 for remittance in Wuhu two stamps of total value of "Ten Dollars", numbered "No.1" Wuhu, at top right and No.131 "General" at top left, signed by "ChunLanfung" for Postal officer at bottom, franked with 20c maroon at right and tied by Kiungchow Dollar chop, little toning, otherwise v.f.

The Imperial Chinese Remittance System was introduced by Postal Circular No. 3 dated Nov. 17, 1897 with the first use set for Jan. 1, 1898. This new money order system was vital for the exchanging of money in the growing Chinese economy. Due to China's vast geographical area and population, this provided for safe movement of money through the post office. Regular postage stamps equaling the value of the remittance were affixed (and left uncanceled) and stamp(s) equaling the 2% commission fee was canceled at the originating post office. Only 47 remittance certificates have been recorded to date (this is No.10 in the census). Many of the remittance certificates are franked with \$1 and \$5 Red Revenues. (In a March 11-12, 2023 auction, a world record was set by the sale of the "Number 1 Remittance Certificate" sent on 1st January 1898, the first day of this service in Peking, fetching HK\$3.84 million (close to US \$500,000)(97)

75,000.00

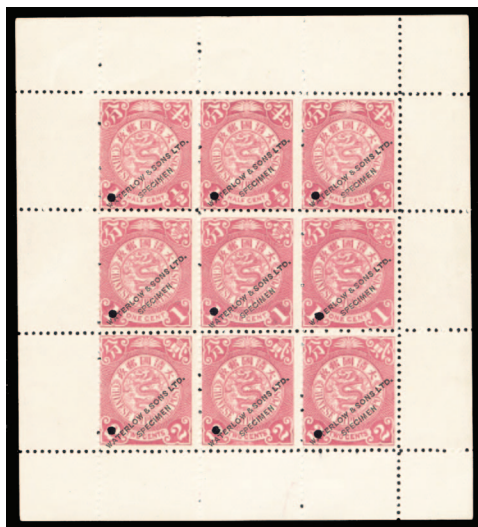
Chinese Imperial Post



- 234 S 1898 ½c-\$5 complete set of 12, each overprinted "Specimen" and adhered on presentation sheet headed "Chinese Imperial Post / Postage Stamps : 1898 Issue", card folded in places, stamps fine-v.f.(98-109S) 500.00



- 235 ★ 1898 ½c-\$5 complete, plus a few additional shades of low values, h.r., fresh colors, mostly fine or better, cat. \$2,222(98-109) 500.00



- 236 S田 1898 Waterlow "Specimen" sample sheetlet of nine, ungummed, composite ½c, 1c and 2c in scarlet, each stamp with security punch and overprinted "Waterlow & Sons Ltd. Specimen", line perforated, fine 1,500.00



- 237 ○ 1902 1c ocher, retouched "One" at upper right, used, fine, very rare. Only one unused and 3 used examples recorded (Chan 117c)(111var) 5,000.00



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- 238 ★ 1898 1c ocher, vertical pair imperf. between, l.h., v.f. (Chan 116b, \$600) cat. \$300(99a) 200.00
- 239 ★ 1898 5c salmon, horizontal pair imperf. between, l.h., v.f., cat. \$775 (Chan 108g).....(102b) 350.00
- 240 ★ 1898 30c dull rose, horizontal pair imperf. between, left stamp defective, fine appearance, cat. \$2,000 (Chan 111d).....(105a) 500.00



- 241 1901 (22 Aug) flimsy coverfront to San Francisco, franked with 20c and vertical pair of 50c CIP, tied by Canton tieprints, sent via Hong Kong, where 20c and \$1 surcharges were added, canceled by cds and framed I.P.O. tieprints, fine and rare combination with high value Hong Kong surcharges tied for security with tieprints to prevent their removal enroute 500.00



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1901 (17 Apr) cover from Melbourne to Shanghai, franked with Victoria 1/2p and 2p adhesives, with Hong Kong (14 May) and Shanghai (18 May), re-addressed on arrival with 1c Coiling Dragon added and tied by Shanghai Local Post (20 May) cancel, fine and unusual incoming cover from Victoria

500.00



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1902 (4 Sep) cover from K'ou Shui, via Foochow to Hobart, Tasmania, with pair of 5c Coiling Dragons canceled by "Tombstone" ("Water Harbor Post Office", suburb of Foochow) and Foochow departure, Hong Kong 10c added in Victoria and tied by framed "I.P.O." tieprint, red chop at bottom, additional departure "Tombstone" and arrival (Oct 7) in Tasmania, minor stains, otherwise a fine cover to uncommon destination

1,000.00



- 244 1902 (30 July) cover from Pingtu to United States, franked with 10c Coiling Dragon, tied by a special cancel, sent via the German Post office in Tsingtau, with pair of Kiauchau 10pf carmine, corresponding "Kiaochow" cancel on back, Nagasaki and Kobe transits, backflap replaced, fine. Also included is a stationery 1c card sent from Tsimo to Hankow, showing a similar propaganda cancel (after the rebellion, many Boxers returned to Shantung Province. Special cancel was infrequently used by small stations along Tsinan-Tsingtao Railway to show continued contempt for present Manchu Emperor. "Sun and Moon" characters symbolize the Ming Dynasty) 1,000.00

1903 Foochow Provisional Bisect



- 245 1903 cover with preprinted "Tokmakov, Molotkov and Co., Foochow, China" in Cyrillic letters, franked with the diagonal half of 2c, tied by framed "Postage 1cent Paid" and Foochow 23 October 03 cancel, addressed to F. Simpson, J.M. Customs Chinkiang, with 2 Nov arrival pmk on back, filing fold away from the stamp, cover carelessly opened on back, otherwise fine and extremely rare genuine Foochow bisect (used for only three days, very few genuine examples recorded) cat. \$1,500.....(123) 2,500.00



246 ☒

1903 D.M. Melnikoff cover (a tea merchant, whose monogram is on the reverse) with framed "Postage Paid" and Foochow 23 October 03 cancel, addressed to Miss J. Shaw, Pagoda, Anchorage, "Mamoi" transit on back, fine and rare

2,500.00



247 ☒

1903 D.M. Melnikoff cover (a tea merchant, whose monogram is on the reverse) with two strikes of framed "Postage Paid" and Foochow 23 October 03 cancel, addressed to Miss J. Shaw, Pagoda, Anchorage, "Mamoi" transit on back, fine and rare. When asked about this cover some years later, Melnikoff replied that he asked the postal clerk to make another impression to the left, since the first one "was not very clear" (The history of these covers is described in the 1988 Carl Kilgas' article on Collector's club "Opinions", pages 227-230)

2,500.00

1912-1933 Issues



- 248 248 1912 (8 Dec) cover from Tsaohsien, Shantung, routed "via Siberia" to Salzburg Austria, franked on reverse with a combination of Imperial (2x7c and 16c CIP) and surcharged issues of the Republic, Peking and Moukden transit pmks, fine and impressive combination franking (unsurcharged Imperial stamps were withdrawn and demonetized March 13, 1914)

500.00



- 249 249 1912 President Yuan Shih-kai, communication coverfront mailed to the President's office in Nanking, franked with 1c Neutrality and 1c Nanking issue, both tied by Shanghai 22 Mar 12 departure pmks, fine and unusual as both stamps were not sold there (3c "Neutrality" was only sold in Foochow; 1c Republican overprint issue was sold in Nanking, Hankow and Changsa)

500.00



- 250 250 1912 Nanking Issue, 1c ochre, 3c slate green, h.r., fine-v.f., cat. \$590(138,139)

250.00



- 251 ○ 1912 Nanking Issue, 1c ochre, 7c maroon, 16c olive, three different used, fine-v.f., cat. \$2,590
.....(138,140,141) 1,000.00



- 252 田 1912 Nanking Issue, 1c ochre, block of four, canceled to order "Nanking City", v.f., cat. \$760...(138) 250.00



- 253 田 1912 Nanking ("Cruciform") Provisional, 1c ochre, right sheet margin block of eight (2x4), position 4 showing cliché 12 repaired (basic stamp retouched "One") also bottom right stamp damaged cliché 20 (basic stamp broken top of "One"), variety recut, canceled to order, v.f. (according to Kilgas, Nanking official records show that only 12 recuts were sold before the error was discovered in the local post office, withdrawn and destroyed (Chan 144a,144b). This iconic rarity is illustrated on page 235 of "Prize Selections from the ROCPEX TAIPEI '81" catalogue(138,138var) 5,000.00



- 254 ★ 1912 Nanking Issue, \$5 deep green & salmon, l.h., irregular perforations at left, faint toning, fine, cat. \$11,000(145) 5,000.00



- 255 ★ 1912 Issues of the Republic 1c-\$5 overprinted in red or black, complete set of 15, l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f., cat. \$1,832(146-60) 1,000.00



- 256 ★ 1912 Waterlow & Sons 1c-\$5 overprinted in red or black, complete set of 15, l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f., cat. \$2,095(163-177) 1,000.00



- 257 ★ 1912 Dr. Sun Yat-sen, complete set, l.h. or h.r., fresh colors, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,984(178-189) 1,000.00



- 258 S 1912 Dr. Sun Yat-sen, complete set overprinted Specimen, l.h. or h.r., fresh colors, fine-v.f.(178-189S) 1,000.00



- 259 ★ 1912 President Yuan Shih-kai, complete set, h.r. (some disturbed gum), fresh colors, fine-v.f., cat. \$1,279(190-201) 500.00



- 260 S 1912 President Yuan Shih-kai, complete set with additional shade of \$1, each overprinted Specimen, fine-v.f.(190-201S) 500.00



- 261 ★ 1912 Yuan Shi-kai, \$5 gray, h.r., also frontispiece photo, v.f., cat. \$725(201) 250.00



- 262 S 1913 ½c-\$10 complete set with “Ching Hwa Ti Kuo” (China Empire) overprints in black or red, all overprinted Specimen, with or without gum, ½c with Double “Specimen”, fine-v.f. (*General Yuan Shi-kai attempted to end the Republic and to reinstate monarchy in China, with himself as the Emperor. These inauguration stamps were prepared, but subsequently destroyed when the Republic prevailed. Only a small number of “Specimen” overprints survived*)(202-20S) 2,500.00



- 263 S 1915 5c-50c Hung Hsien “Coronation Essays”, set of three, overprinted Specimen, 5c h.r., others n.h., fine-v.f. (*General Yuan Shi-kai attempted to end the Republic and to reinstate monarchy in China, with himself as the Emperor. These “coronation/inauguration” stamps were prepared, but subsequently destroyed when the Republic prevailed. Only a small number of “Specimen” overprints survived*) (CSS \$2,000) 1,000.00



- 264 P 1928 Marshall Chang Tso-lin, 4c ultramarine, imperforate trial color Die Proof on thin vertically laid paper, numbered “1887” at bottom, fine(277P) 500.00



- 265 ★/★★田 1929 Sun Yat-sen Mausoleum, blocks of four, h.r. at top, bottom stamps n.h., some perf. separations, fine-v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$392.....(284-87) 250.00



- 266 ★田 1933 Northwest Scientific Expedition by Sven Hedin, set of four sheet corner margin blocks of four, n.h., each signed across by Sven Hedin, n.h., fine-v.f.(307-10) 500.00



- 267 ★★田 1933 Northwest Scientific Expedition by Sven Hedin, set of four sheet corner margin blocks of ten, 5c lower left, others upper left, with "Chinese Bureau of Engraving and Printing" imprints and Plate Numbers, n.h., fine-v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$1,800(307-10) 1,000.00



- 268 匣 1933 Northwest Scientific Expedition by Sven Hedin, set of four used with additional 30c franking on registered cover from Peiping to Alma Hedin (sister) in Stockholm, Shanghai 21.4.33 transit and signed by Sven Hedin on back, usual adhesive toning on cover, fine(307-10) 250.00

Air Post



- 269 ★/★★ 1921 Curtiss Jenny, 15c-90c lower right imprint and Plate No. horizontal pairs, l.h. or n.h., v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$460(C1-5) 200.00



- 270 ★/★★田 1921 Curtiss Jenny, 15c-90c upper right imprint and Plate No. blocks of four, some hinge reinforcements at right, left pairs n.h., v.f. (catalogued as hinged singles) cat. \$920(C1-5) 500.00



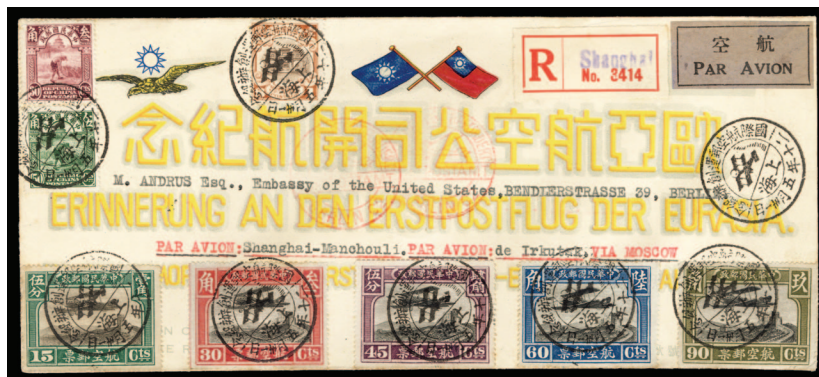
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- 271 ☒ **Flight Covers.** 1921 (1 July) First Flight "Aerial Postal Service Established in China" Peking to Tsinan (2 July), with special cachet, v.f. 250.00



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- 272 ☒ 1921 (1 July) First Flight from Shanghai to Peking, cover with special cachet applied to 15c Airmail stamp, additional franking alongside, v.f. 250.00



- 273 ✉ 1931 (31 May) registered, flown cover with attractive franking (C6-10), Shanghai, Nanking, Tsinan, Peiping, Linse, Manchouli, via Trans-Siberian Railway Manchouli to Moscow and from there by Air to Berlin, arriving on 12 June, 1931, fine cover 250.00

Postage Dues



- 274 S 1904 1/2c-30c blue, complete set of eight, each overprinted "Specimen", fine-v.f.(J7-14S) 500.00



- 275 ★ 1904 1/2c blue, horizontal pair, imperf. between, h.r., v.f., cat. \$3,000(J7a) 2,000.00



- 276 ★(★) 1911 1/2c, 4c, 5c and 20c brown, set of four, first one without gum, others l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f., pencil signed Livingston (Early in 1911, six values in the new color reached Shanghai. They were placed in storage waiting for the blue stock to run out. The 1c and 2c were released on February 22nd. After the Republican Revolution, all Imperial stamps were to be overprinted for the New Republic, including all blue and brown Postage Dues. In later years, a few unoverprinted "brown dues" appeared; 5c was actually listed in the 1929 Scott catalogue. In 1946, when President Roosevelt's collection was auctioned off, the four unused values offered here, were discovered in the "Stamp Gift Album" given to FDR by Chiang Kai-shek in 1941. Complete sets of the four values are virtually impossible to find) (Chan DU1-4, \$41,900) 25,000.00



- 277 ★ 1912 ½c-30c Republican Overprints by the Statistical Department, complete set of nine, l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f., cat. \$333(J25-33) 150.00



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- 278 ★ 1912 1c brown, red overprint inverted, h.r., fine, signed D.Z.Chun, cat. \$550(J26b) 250.00
- 279 ★ 1912 5c brown, red overprint inverted, l.h., fine, cat. \$550(J30a) 250.00
- 280 ○ 1912 5c brown, red overprint inverted, used, fine, cat. \$340(J30a) 150.00
- 281 ★ 1912 ½c-30c Republican Overprints by the Waterlow & Sons, London, complete set of nine, l.h. or h.r., fine-v.f., cat. \$249(J34-42) 150.00



- 282 ★田 1912 1c brown, inverted overprint, upper left sheet corner margin block of four with gutter at left, n.h. but dried gum, fine and impressive multiple, cat. \$1,400(J36a) 1,000.00



- 283 ★S 1913 ½c-30c blue, two complete sets of eight, one overprinted "Specimen" in red, fine-v.f.(J43-50,J43-50S) 250.00

Sinkiang

- 284 S 1912 5c-50c Hung Hsien "Coronation Essays", set of three, overprinted Sinkiang, with further Specimen overprints, n.h., 5c with natural perf. irregularities at bottom and faint gum toning, otherwise v.f. (CSS \$2,500) 1,000.00

Offices in Tibet

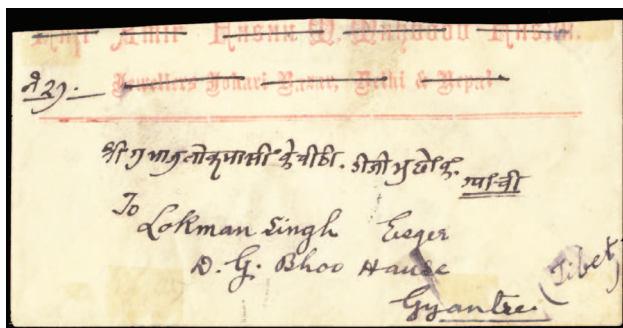
- 285 ★ 1911 3p-2r surcharges, complete set of 11, l.h. or h.r., fresh, fine-v.f., cat. \$3,255(1-11) 1,500.00



- 286 ○ 1911 3p-2r surcharges, complete (less 3a on 16c), used, 10 different, various pmks, last two thinned, otherwise fine or better, cat. \$3,555.....(1/11) 1,000.00



- 287 ○ 1911 3p on 1c (3), ½a on 2c, 1a on 4c (2), 2a on 7c and 12a on 50c, eight stamps canceled on pieces by bilingual Yatung-Tibet cancels, fine-v.f., cat. \$715(1-4,8) 500.00



- 288 1911 1a on 4c vermillion, tied by large bilingual "Lhasa Tibet" pmks on cover (reduced on top) addressed to Gyantse, some toning, fine and rare(3) 500.00

SHANGHAI



- 289 P 1866 Shanghai Local Post, 4c brown, 6c green and 8c red brown, large die proofs on card, printed by Mission & Parker, London, v.f. 5,000.00

Bandit Post



- 290 (★) 1923 Pao Tzu Ku. 10c and 50c set of two, unused without gum as issued, v.f., rare, with 1985 Peter Holcombe certificate. These controversial stamps were probably printed in Zaozhuang and delivered to mostly foreign hostages held by Sun Meiyao, a bandit chief. The stamps were to be used on letters sent by these hostages. The 50c red is actually an error, as it was meant to be 5 cents (On May 6th, bandits under the leadership of Kuo Tsai-Chi derailed the Tientsin-Pukow Express and took prisoner 120 passengers, who were marched for 10 days into the Pao Tzu Ku Mountain, where they were held for ransom. Carl Crow, an American Red Cross representative organized a messenger service, with about 500 stamps printed to be used on letters) 5,000.00

Chinkiang



- 291 1894 (22 Oct) registered cover franked with pair of ½c carmine and 6c purple, tied by double circle Chinkiang Post Service pmks, addressed to Capt. Robert Binns in Shanghai, showing three different Registration and one "Paid" markings, v.f., with Shanghai Local Post arrival pmk on back 250.00

Foochow

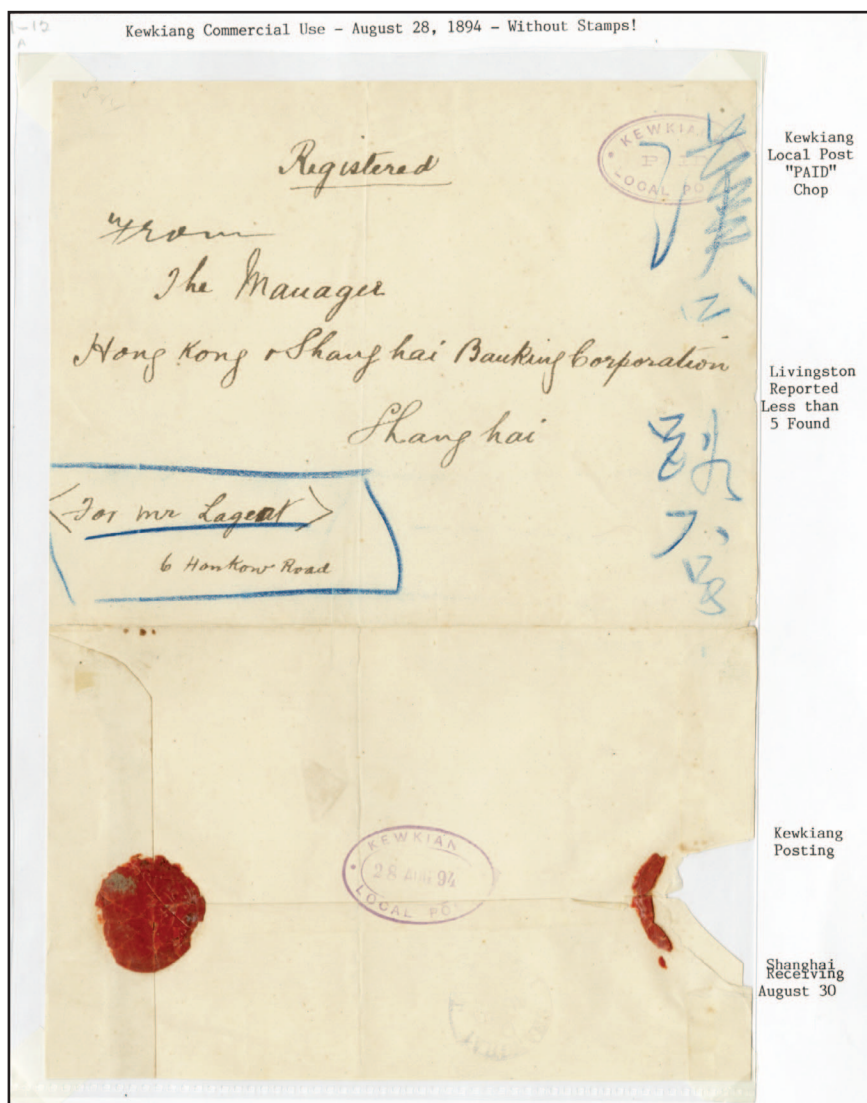


- 292 1895 (24 Oct) cover with "Methodist Mission Press Foochow" datestamp on back, franked with 1c green, canceled "Postal Service Chinkiang", used in combination with United States 10c green, sent via "U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai Nov 2", through San Francisco or Vancouver to Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, arriving on 5 December, cover with rounded corner, otherwise a fine combination 2,500.00



- 293 1896 (22 May) cover with "Methodist Episcopal Mission Foochow, China" corner cachet, franked with ½c blue, canceled "Postal Service Foochow, China", used in combination with Japan 1s green, sent via "Shanghai, I.J.P.O.", additional Shanghai Local Post and Yokohama transit pmks on back, sent to USA, fine 2,500.00

Kewkiang



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1894 (28 Aug) cover (opened for display) registered from Kewkiang to Shanghai, with two oval strikes of Kewkiang Local Post datestamps on both sides, with Shanghai Local Post arrival in black, some cover faults, rare usage

500.00

Formosa



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1895 surcharges on 20c Large Dragons, Taipei to His Kou, Shui Chain Chiao to His Kou and Taipei to Shui Chuan Chiao, three different part perf. surcharges, fine-v.f. (Chan F25-27, \$4,100)

2,500.00



- 296 1895 red band cover from the ill-fated Taiwan Republic, sent October 15 from Tainanfu, with set of three adhesives tied by violet departure pmks, fine-v.f. 500.00

Wei Hai Wei



- 297 (★)○ 1898 2c and 5c black, red, unused and used singles, each signed on back by Postmaster, L.G. Fergusson (to prevent forgery, he signed his name, across every 2 or 3 stamps on back) cat. \$2,200(1,2) 1,000.00



- 298 (★)田 1898 2c black, red, block of six (3x2), handstamped "C&Co WHW", signed on back by Postmaster, L.G. Fergusson, minor flaws, rare multiple, cat. \$15,000(1) 5,000.00

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