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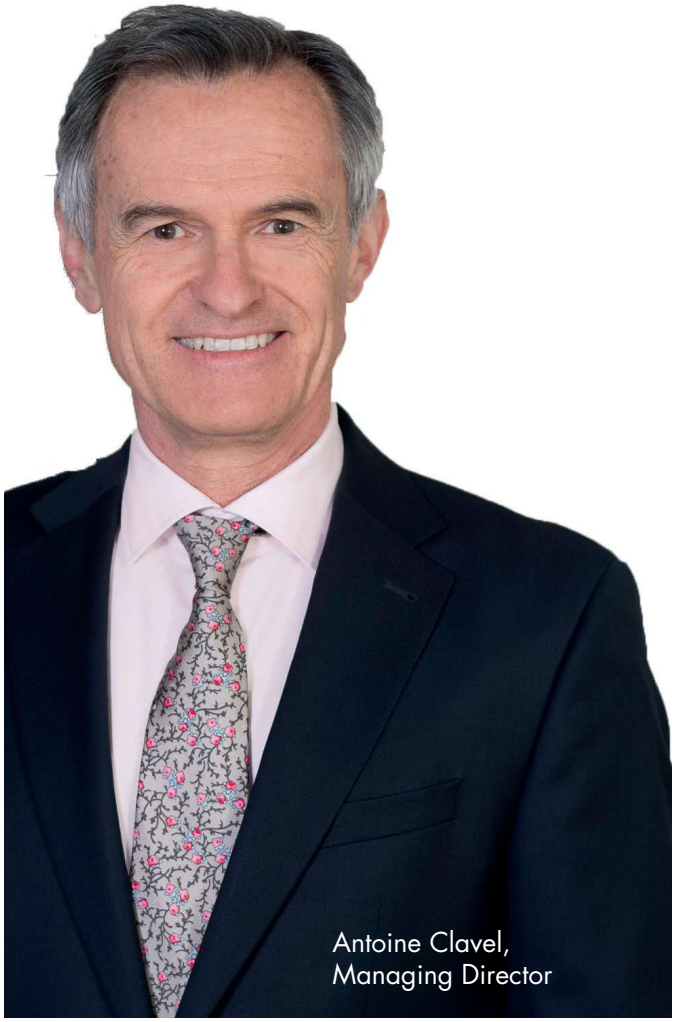
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The Camellia involvement in philately started with the acquisition in the 1970s of a renowned and long-established company called David Field Ltd. It continued as a trading company for some years but with the arrival of Frank Laycock M.C., it developed more as an investment vehicle through building collections of selected countries or subjects.

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It was always understood that the collections would one day be sold and that day has now arrived. The time is right and in the best interests of the company, its shareholders and employees. It can also be argued that this is in the best interests of the philatelic world. Camellia has acted as custodian of the material while building the collections over decades. Now the material is to be made available again to philatelists around the world.

Richard & Andrew have devoted much time and care to these collections, as did Frank Laycock, and now have the excitement of seeing some very fine catalogues document their work for posterity, with the satisfaction of seeing them enjoyed by new philatelic enthusiasts. Many fine items have been bought over the decades from the Auction House of Corinphila and so it is with great pleasure that we turn to them to return this wonderful material back to the market.

Following the sales in June this year of 'Afghanistan 'primitive' local issues including Postal History and replete material from the first two Anglo-Afghan Victorian Wars with much social history', and 'Österreich – 20. Jahrhundert', respectively, in this sale we offer **Tibet: Largely ex the Waterfall collection.** In a concurrent volume we offer **Waghorn Mails Via Suez: The best group extant.**

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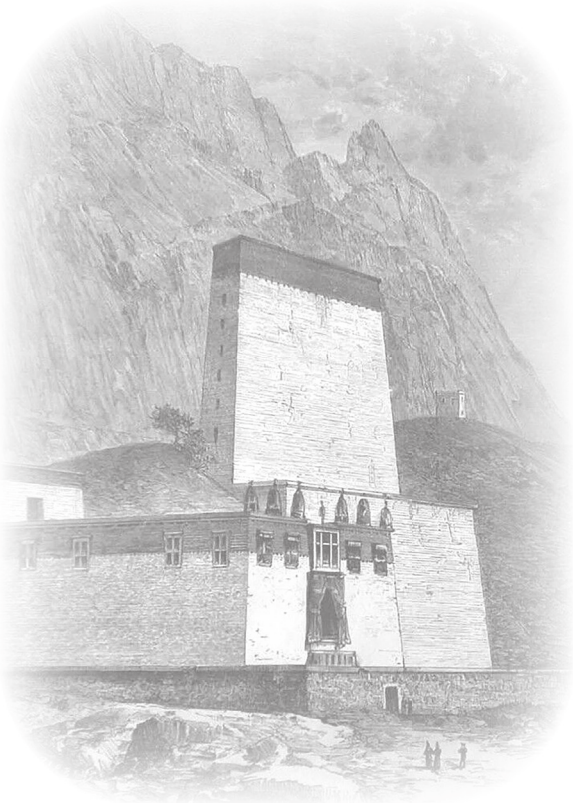
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Tashi Lhunpo Monastery in Shigatse

Tibetan Official Covers

Ink and Wax Seals



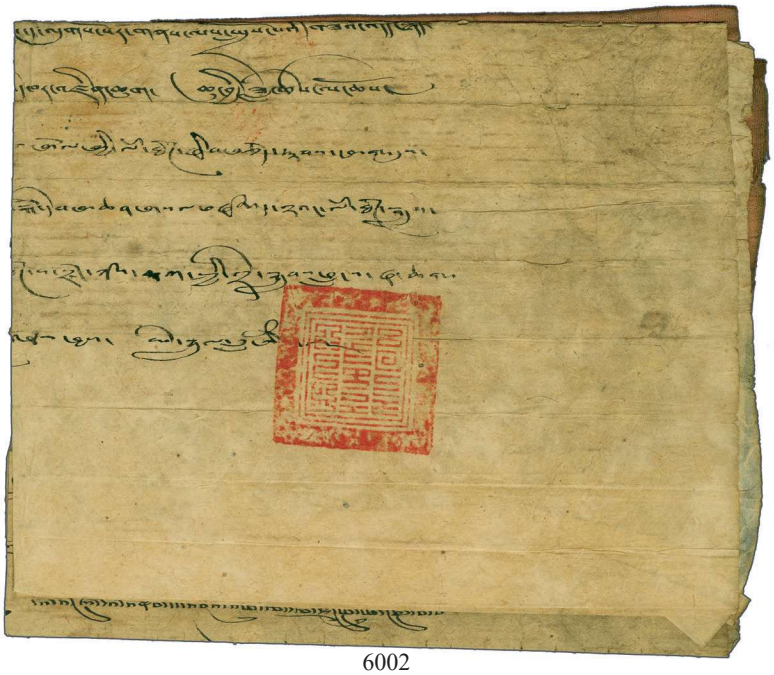
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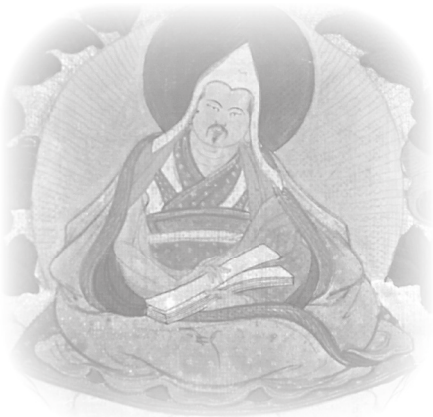
View of Bhutan

Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6001 **Bhutan** 1789c.: Very early cover / Scarf letter written in Persian bearing the large square ink seal of the King of Bhutan in red, Druk Tenzin reigned 1788-1792, addressed to the King of Nepal, Rana Bahadur Singh who reigned from 1777-1790. At this date the Emperor of China had asked the King of Bhutan to mediate between Nepal and Tibet who were, as ever, engaged in border skirmishes. Superb and very rare. Signed Hellrigl.
Note: Illustrated in "Tibet Stamps & Postal History" by Steve Chazen & Danny Wong on page 411.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 215. ✉ **1'500**

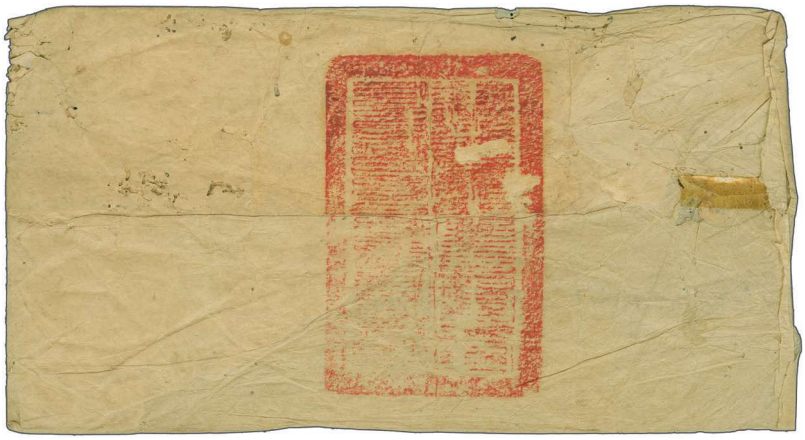


6002



Jamphel Gyatso
8th Dalai Lama

6002 1792 (Water Mouse Year): Edict on silk issued by the Ministry of Defence addressed to Officers of the 'Tinkye-Dzong' announcing that if any member of the family joins the Army the family will receive a 50% tax exemption. Ministry seal in black and square Dalai Lama seal in red (the 8th Dalai Lama, Jamphel Gyatso, 1758–1804). A footnote in a different hand to the main letter exhorts tax Officers to obey the exemption to the law as "China has already reached agreement with Nepal". Rare and early document.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 23 July 1996, ex lot 558. ✉ **2'000**



6003

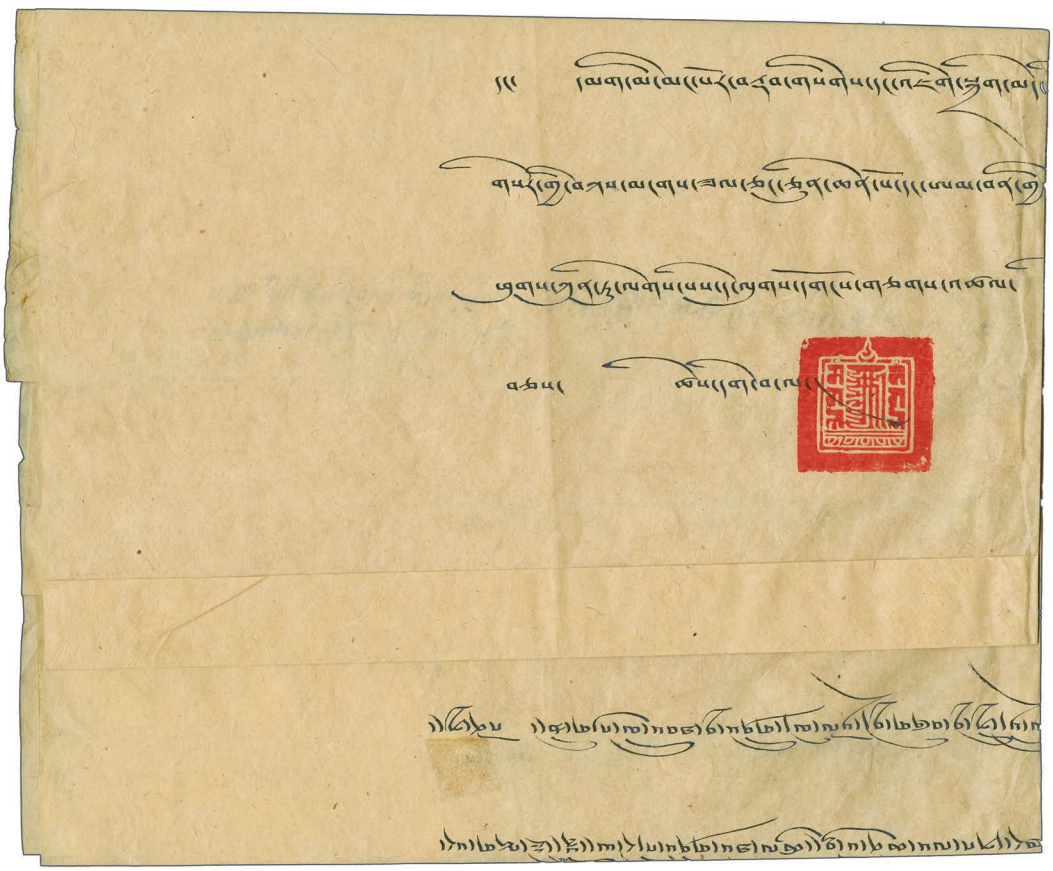


Gurkha King Girvan Yudh Bikram Shaha of Nepal

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6003 1810c.: Cover from the Governors of Lhasa / to the Gurkha King Girvan Yudh Bikram Shaha of Nepal (reigned 1799-1816), struck on despatch with large framed Amban type seal in red. A few worm holes away from the seal, scarce.
Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler.

✉ **200**



6004



Palden Tenpai Nyima



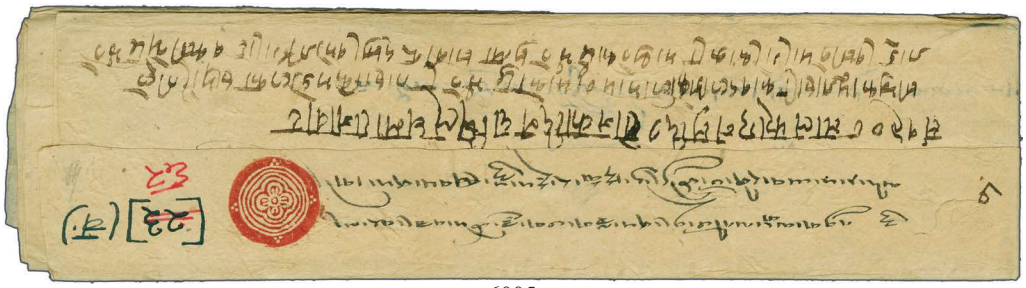
Rajendra Bikram Shah

6004 1817 (Fire Ox Year): 7th Panchen Lama (Palden Tenpai Nyima, 1782-1853) Shirt letter to His Majesty Rajendra Bikram Shah (1813-1881), the King of Nepal, written in response to a letter from the Prime Minister Bhimsen Thapa of Nepal showing a fine impression of the square Panchen Lama mangalem seal in red. Rare.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 23 July 1996, ex lot 558.

✉ **2'000**



Punakha Castle in Bhutan



6005

Gibbons

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6005 **Bhutan** 1851 (Iron Pig Year): Lettersheet written in Tibetan bearing two strikes of the large red square seal of the King of Bhutan Chagpa Sangye (in Punakha) internally and is addressed to the King of Nepal with small circular seal on the outer cover in red. Rare. Signed Hellrigl.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 214. ✉ **2'000**



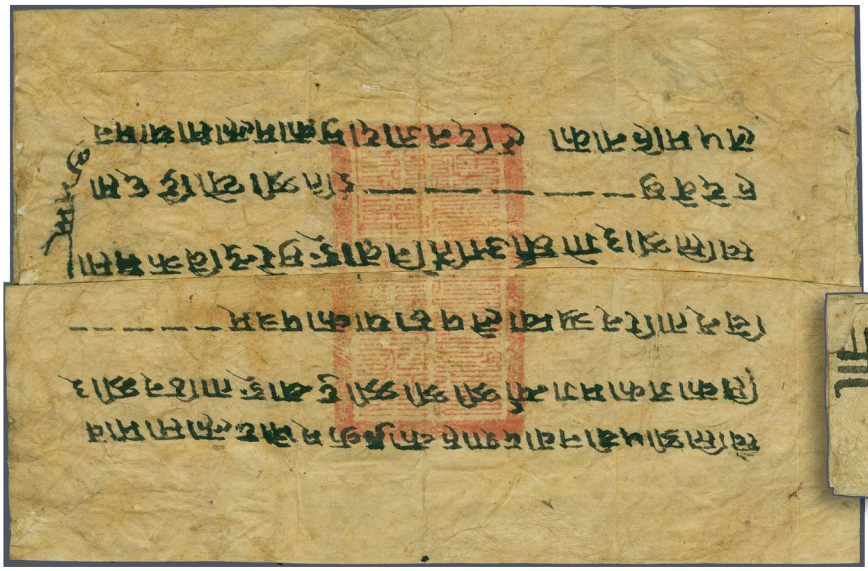
6006

6006 1854: Cover from Bhota, in South-West Tibet to Kathmandu, Nepal with large circular seal of General Khadga Bahadur Kunwar Rana, brother of the legendary Maharaja Lang Bahadur of Nepal; the cover carried a message relating to a battle at Bhota and an announcement that the General planned to attack Shigatse. Exceptional. Signed Hellrigl.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 204. ✉ **500**



ex 6007

6007 1866/1905: Early 'Year of the Fire Tiger' 1866 cover with impression of circular red seal complete on reverse, addressed to Lhelu of the Sangma Monastery; an attractive cover; together with 1905 'Wood Snake Year' entire letter to the Chumbi valley with circular negative seal handstamp in black; and a small Nepal cover with enclosure showing diamond shaped wax seal and handstruck octagonal seal struck in black. A scarce and early group.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall. ✉ **350**



6008



View of the residence of the Amban in Lhasa

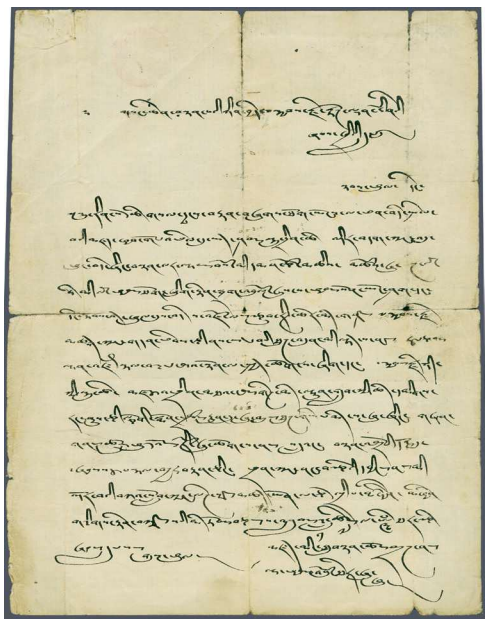


ex 6009

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6008 1867 (July): Cover sent by the Chinese Ambassador (Amban), Qing Dynasty, in Lhasa to King Rajendra Bikram Shah of Nepal (1813-1881), with large Amban seal in red, the letter would have been personally carried by a State Courier. Rare.
Provenance: DF, Zurich, 21 Nov 1997, lot 30391. ✉ **300**

6009 1884: Two covers from Lhasa to Kathmandu, Nepal carried by runners, with small entire letter replete with original contents, sent via P.O. and runners, the larger cover also to Rahuswa, north of Kathmandu with two well impressed black seals and manuscript notation *"Delivered Monday 11 April 1884 from the Post Office"*. Scarce pair.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, ex lot 205. ✉ **200**



6010



6011

6010 1886: 'Year of the Dragon' letter with fine circular red seal on reverse, from the Head of the Sakya School of Tibetan Buddhism to Chuku requesting if he would take over the leadership of his part of the country. Rare.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall. **300**
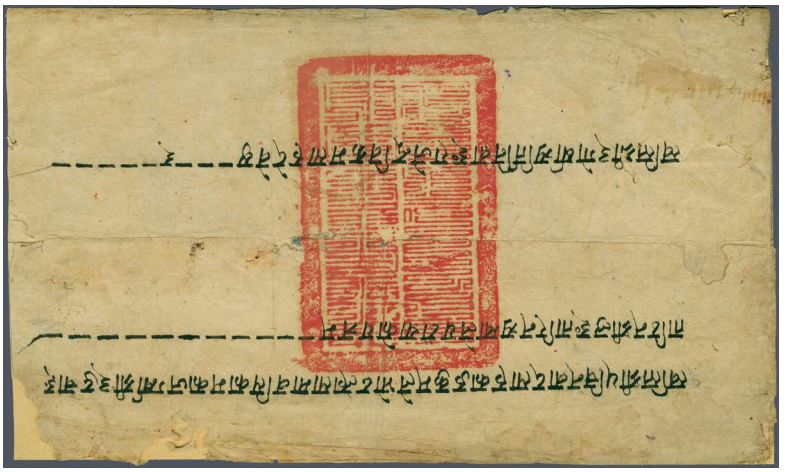
6011 1888: Cover sent by the Chinese Ambassador (Amban), Qing Dynasty, in Lhasa to King Prithvi Bir Bikram Shah of Nepal (1875-1911), with large Amban seal in red, the letter would have been personally carried by a State Courier. Rare.
Provenance: Harmers, London, 9 July 1997, lot 338. ✉ **300**



Frederick M. Bailey



King Prithvi Bir Bikram Shah of Nepal

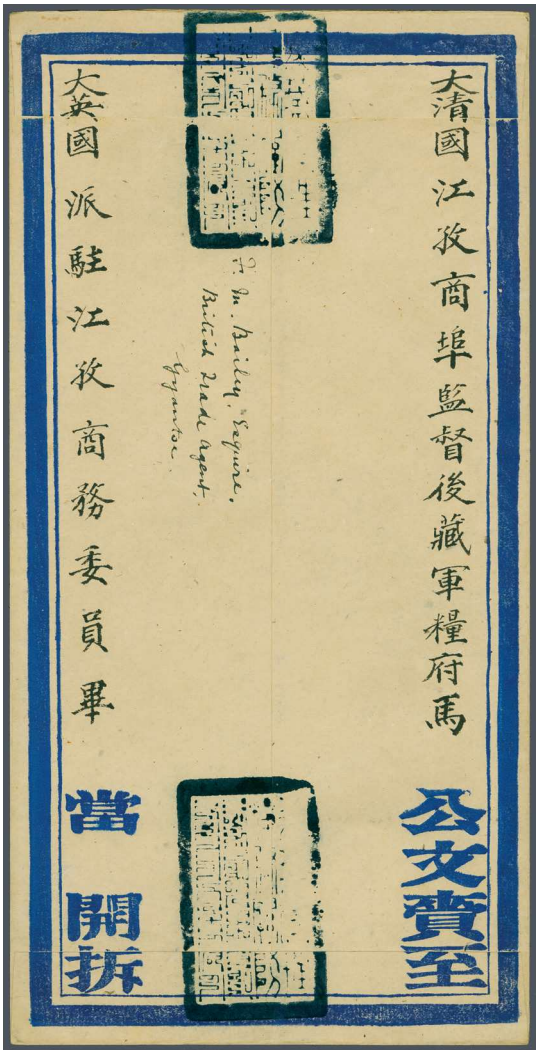


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6013

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6012	1888: Cover and complete contents sent by Lung Tarien, newly appointed Governor of Tibet in Lhasa to King Prithvi Bir Bikram Shah of Nepal (1875-1911), each with large Amban seal in red, stating (full contents with the cover) *"Your excellency too, understanding the Chinese Emperor (Dezong of Qing, personal name Zaitian) will try to maintain peace and friendship more closely than before in the border area and keep them happy. If done so depends prosperity. Hereby we refer and wish your Excellency's goodwill"*. The letter would have been personally carried by a State Courier. Rare. *Provenance: Collection Meiso Mizuhara, Spink, 18 Oct 2002, lot 1.*	✉	**600**
6013	1908 (Emperor Kwang-Hsu 34th year): Cover with content sent from Mr. Ma, the Supervisor of Ulterior Tibet Military Provisions, China in Gyantse and addressed bilingual to Mr. Bailey, the British Trade Agent there, informing Mr. Bailey that Mr. Ma has taken up his duties as Supervisor and Controller of Military Supplies for Ulterior Tibet in the Kingdom of Great Ch'ing (China), probably delivered by courier or by hand. *Note: The cover is addressed to Frederick Marshman Bailey (1882-1967), who was stationed in Gyantse as the official British trade agent between 1905 and 1909.*	✉	**600**

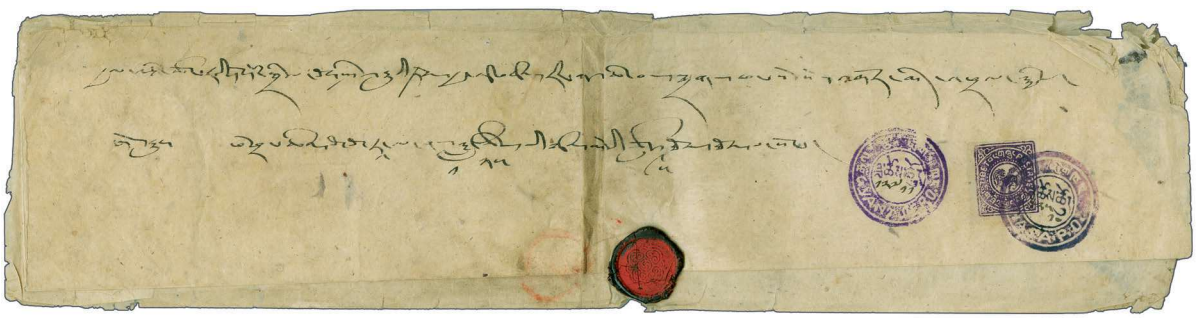


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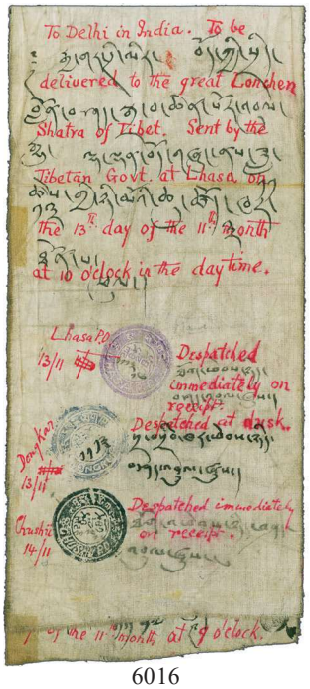
The Dowager Empress Cixi and the Guangxu Emperor, laying in-state

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6014	1908 (Emperor Kwang-Hsu 34th year): Cover with content sent from Mr. Ma, the Supervisor of Ulterior Tibet Military Provisions, China in Gyantse and addressed bilingualy to Mr. Bailey, the British Trade Agent there, informing Mr. Bailey of the Emperor's and the Empresess' death, probably delivered by courier or by hand. Identical to the lot before except for the date and the black chop which was only used on despatches announcing the Emperor's death and which is therefore exceedingly rare.	✉	**750**

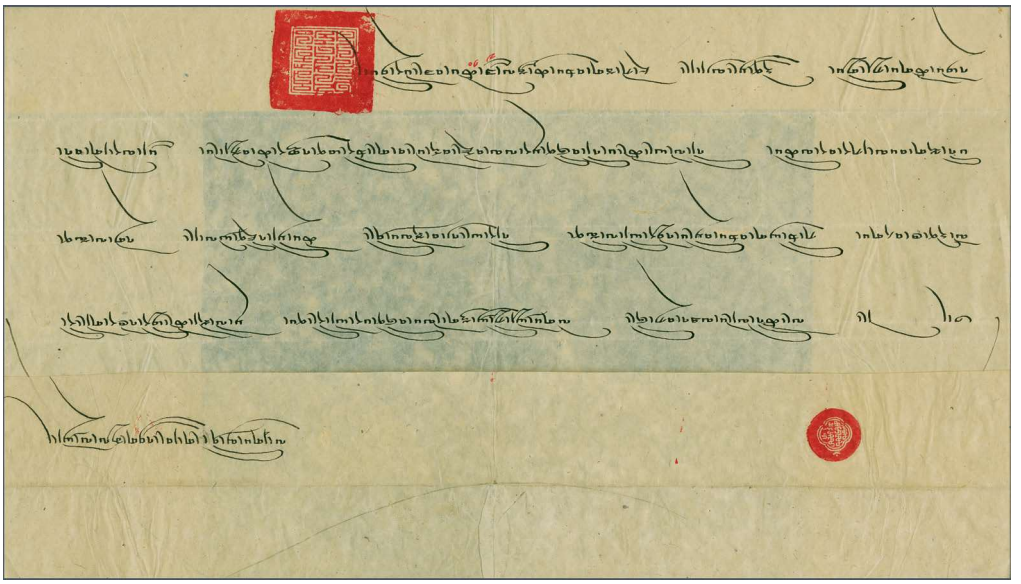


ex 6015

6015	Group of two oversized shawl covers (40 x 10 cm) each bearing 1912 ½ t. violet tied by bilingual LHASA despatch handstamp in violet, in one the date given in manuscript, both directed to GYANTSE with matching arrival datestamps alongside, the date given in manuscript, both closed with the wax seal of the Prime Minister, in both cases complete, but one broken.	3A	✉	**1'000**



6016



6017

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6016	1913 (Nov 11): Silk wrapper from the Tibetan Government in Lhasa directed to Lönchen Shatra in Delhi, India. The routing of this official letter was meticulously documented on the wrapper as every post office forwarding this letter between 11 November and 17 November (1913) applied its postmark and noted the date of forwarding resulting in bilingual intaglio strikes of Lhasa, Dongkur, Chushur, Peltsi, Nangartse, Gyantse, and Phari. At a later time the address and the transit notes were translated and noted in English. *Note: Lönchen Shatra Paljor Dorje, commonly known as Shatra (c. 1860 – c. 1923/1926), was a Tibetan politician, with the rank of Lönchen being compararable to a Prime Minister. In 1913/14 he took part in the Tibetan-British-Chinese Simla Convention and represented Tibet to negotiate borders and status alongside British and Chinese representatives.*	✉	**200**
6017	'Scarf' or 'Shirt' letter of the 13th Dalai Lama showing his large red ink seal at base (Waterfall type 3) and his small round seal in the same ink (Waterfall type 2) on the other side. The letter was presumably directed to Nepal and closed by a narrow strip of paper with the large ink seal again struck to both sides to prevent unauthorised opening, paper strip included in the lot.	✉	**500**



6018

6018	1922c.: Large undated cover from Thubten Gyatso, the 13th Dalai Lama at the Potala Palace in Lhasa, addressed to Sir Charles Alfred Bell and probably locally carried, beautifully sealed by complete red pigmented wax seal with black surround, exceptional and very fine. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2587.*	✉	**400**



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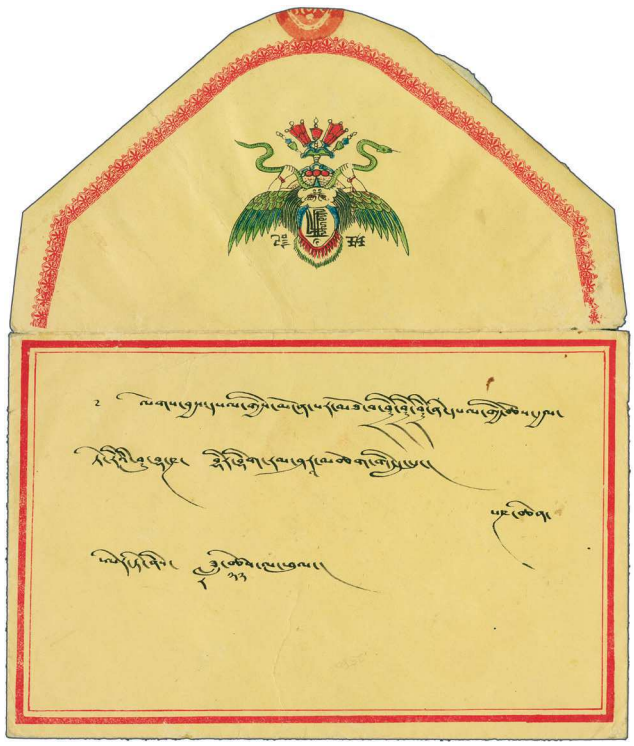
6019 1923c.: Cover from Thubten Gyatso, the 13th Dalai Lama at the Potala Palace in Lhasa, bilingually addressed to Sir Charles Alfred Bell, in Crowthorne, Berkshire, England with complete red wax personal seal (Type II) with black surround of the 13th Dalai Lama centrally placed. Almost certainly carried in the Diplomatic Bag via India. A delightful cover.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990. ✉ **1'200**



Thubten Choekyi Nyima



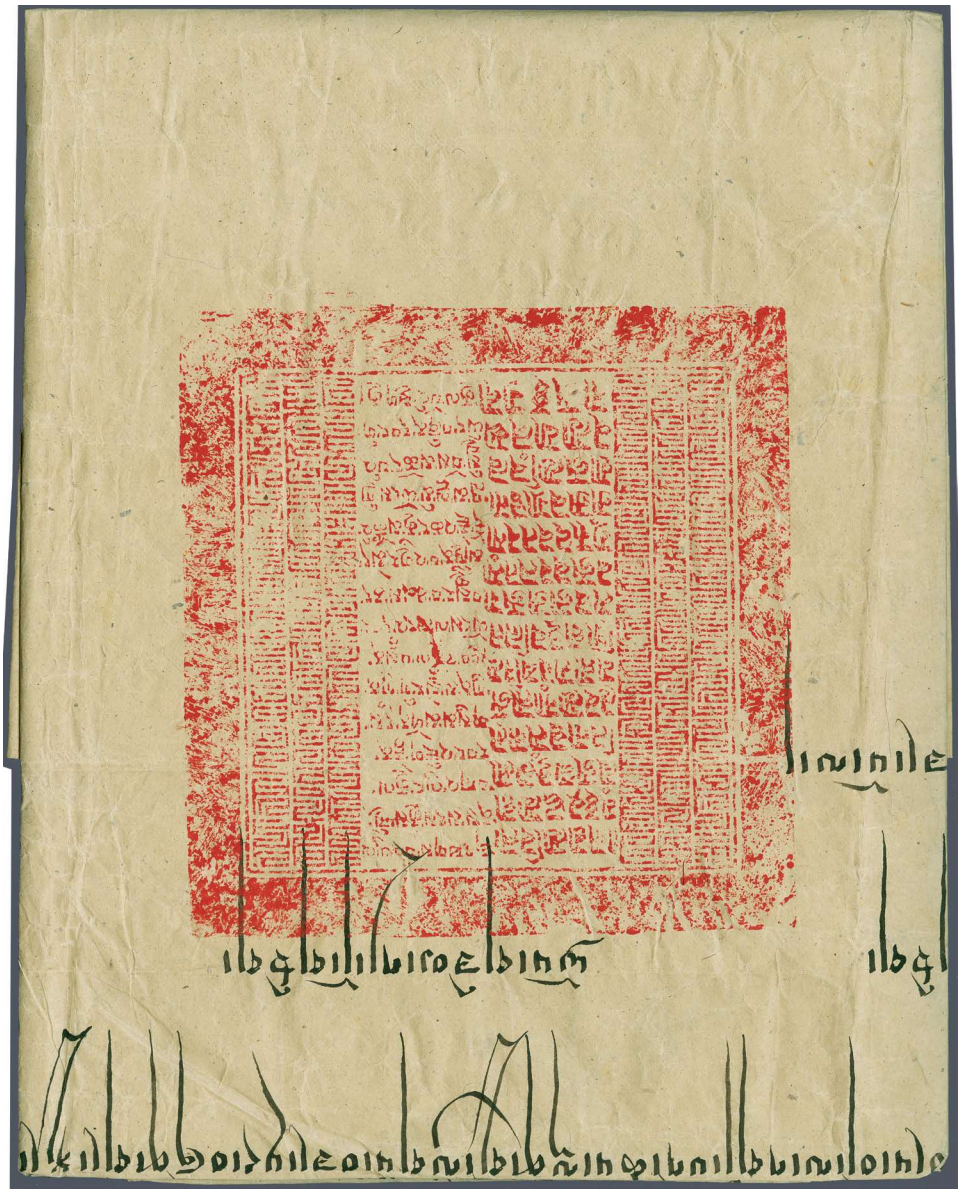
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ex 6021

6020 1930c. Yellow silk lined envelope (210 x 140 mm.) with delightful ornate coloured crest in red, blue, green and black covering the flap on reverse, with a fine cracked but complete red wax seal of the PANCHEN LAMA below. Some hinge remnants on obverse. Probably sent when Thubten Choekyi Nyima (1883-1937), the 9th Panchen Lama was in exile in Gyêgu in China - letters from the 9th Panchen Lama being of considerable rarity.
Provenance: Bonhams, London, 9 April 2003, lot 260. ✉ **1'500**

6021 1930c.: Delightful yellow letter and silk lined envelope, each with an elaborate crest of the 9th Panchen Lama, Thubten Choekyi Nyima (1883–1937) and addressed to the King of Nepal, Tribhuvan Bir Bikram Shah; the envelope with flap with superb design in red, green, blue and black and tied on base of flap by the circular red seal of the Panchen Lama. The letter with the same coloured design at top and "PAN CHAN / TIBETAN" at left with letter stating *"We are sending gifts and hope you receive them in good order"*. Superb and very rare.
Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2580. ✉ **1'500**



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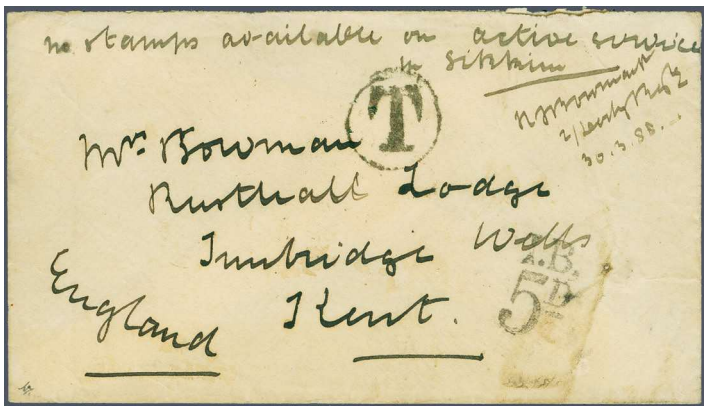
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6022 1941 (July): 14th Dalai Lama Shirt letter sent to the King of Nepal thanking him for presents given on the occasion of the Dalai Lama's coronation in February 1940. Large rectagonal seal in three languages in red: the three columns on the left and on the right are in *'phags-pa* script which was devised in the 13th century by 'Phags-pa Lama for Qubilai Khan, the second left column consists of the same inscription in *Lantsa* an ornate Indo-Aryan script used for decorative purposes and the third showing the lines in Tibetan script.
Note: Freely translated: *"Seal of the King of the powerful wish-granting (jewel), who is worshipped by all the gods and men, the Ocean-Lama Vajradhara, the unchangeable, all knowing one who exercises power over all the victorious teaching of the Buddha, protector of all above earth and of all times, lord of the three worlds and the teachings of the Buddha".*
Provenance: Christie's, London, 23 July 1996, lot 560. ✉ **2'000**

6023 Tibetan writing board / Glegs Tshas, a set of five slates 22 x 5 cm, the two outer ones single sided with decorated outer sides. The inner three are double sided, the writing surfaces being inset, so that the message was not rubbed out in transit, the set bound in leather tong.
Note: Glegs Tshas are portable wooden boards historically utilised by scribes and students in the Tibetan cultural sphere for practicing calligraphy or recording administrative notes.
Reference: Described by Waterfall, 1965 on page 62, from his collection. **500**

British Influence in Tibet

Sikkim Expedition & Frontier Commission



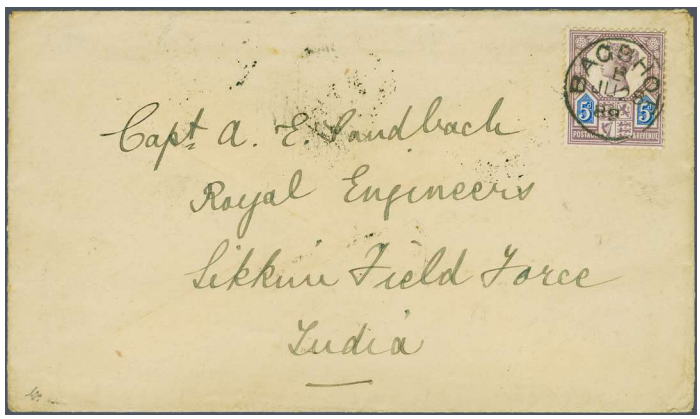
6024



Captain H. J. Bowman

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6024 **The Sikkim Expedition** 1888/89: Officer's letter from Gnathong, Sikkim to Tunbridge Wells, England endorsed *"No stamps available, on active service, Sikkim"* and countersigned and dated *"H.J. Bowman, 2nd Derbyshire Regt. 30.3.88"* below; with circular "T" marking on obverse with "I.B. / 5d." Inland Branch marking struck upon arrival for single rate due to pay. Reverse with Indian "EXPERIMENTAL P.O. / C 32" thimble cds applied on despatch (March 31 with month and day slugs inverted), Tunbridge Wells arrival cds (April 23) and manuscript *"Posted without Stamps"*. A very rare and very fine cover.
Note: This cover was mailed as the troops moved forward from Gnathong. The Padong Post Office was nominated as a Sub-Office (March 24, 1888) and became the Base Office for the Campaign. See Ted Proud pages 409-410.
Note 2: The cover was mailed by Capt. H.J. Bowman, 2nd Battalion, Derbyshire Regt. Bowman was part of the Column which capured Lingtu Fort on March 21st, causing the Tibetans to retreat into the Chumbi valley. Although a post office was opened at Gnathong no stamps were available and letters were passed down to Sedongchin and Padong for transmission. Bowman had previously fought in the Sudan campaign and was later to be part of the Tirah Field Force. ✉ **500**



6025



Captain Arthur Edmund Sandbach

6025 Great Britain Jubilee 5 d. dull purple & blue, Die II, used on 1889 cover to Capt. A.E. Sandbach of the Royal Engineers with the Sikkim Field Force, superbly cancelled by "BAGSHOT" despatch cds (June 25) in black. Carried on the P&O steamer *"Ganges"* from Suez and backstamped "SEA POST OFFICE / F" thimble cds (July 4), with PADONG cds's (July 18 and 19) and JALAPAHAR arrival cds. A charming and scarce cover.
Note: Capt. Sandbach was in Jalapahar, near Darjeeling recovering from fever. Later in July he was invalided back to England. The Sikkim Campaign was commanded by Brig-Gen Thomas Graham, it was largely a success for the British forces as the Tibetans were entirely out-gunned. As a result of the brief campaign Sikkim became part of India.
Provenance: Harmers, London, 24 July 1997, lot 116. 207a ✉ **250**



6026



Sir George Macartney

Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6026 Service ¼ a. blue postal stationery card used from Calcutta, addressed to Mr. G. Macartney of the Political Dept. at Gnathong, Sikkim. "PADONG" thimble cds in black (Sept 20, 1889) and "EXPERIMENTAL P.O. / C-7" cds applied in Gnathong on the following day. Scarce incoming usage.
Note: The Tibetans in Sikkim had been defeated by 27 Sept 1888 and the British negotiated a Treaty with the Chinese as both Sikkim and Tibet were subject to them. Macartney was the Assistant Political Officer and the Chinese Interpreter.
Provenance: Collection Gerald Sattin, DF, Zurich, 27 Nov 1991, ex lot 11432. ✉ **250**



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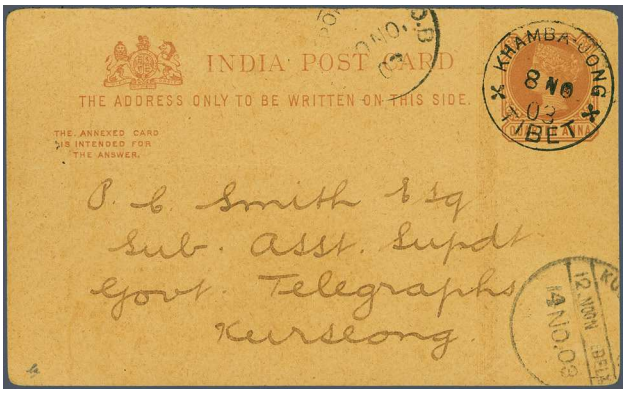


32nd Sikh Pioneers

6027 **Tibet Frontier Commission** 1903: India ½ a. green postal stationery envelope cancelled at Rawalpindi on despatch (Nov 5), mailed to Lieut. F.M. Bailey of the 32nd Sikh Pioneers, Tibet Frontier Commission; mailed via Simla (Nov 7) reverse with yellow label "Cover wrongly dealt / with by the P.O. Please / return to postman for enquiry and notice", this tied by "TEMPORARY P.O. B" cds in black (Nov 13) with "KHAMBA-JONG / TIBET" arrival cds (Hellrigl B30) of the following day alongside. Cover neatly opened for display, a most unusual usage. Signed Dr. Orth.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 137. ✉ **500**

1903/04, Younghusband Military Expedition to Tibet

6028 India Edward VII ¼ a. brown on buff postal stationery cards (4) all used to O.C. Smith at the Government Telegraph Office at Kurseong, cancelled by fine strikes of "KHAMBA-JONG / TIBET" circular datestamps (Oct 21, Oct 26, Oct 28 and Nov 14, 1903) in black (Hellrigl B30 = 100 points), this Office in use from 18th August - 4th December 1903 only. Additionally struck with "TEMPORARY P.O.B." cds in black in transit and one card struck with scarce usage of framed "TOO LATE". A very rare group. Certs. BPA (1988) for two cards. *(Photo = www)* ✉ **1'000**

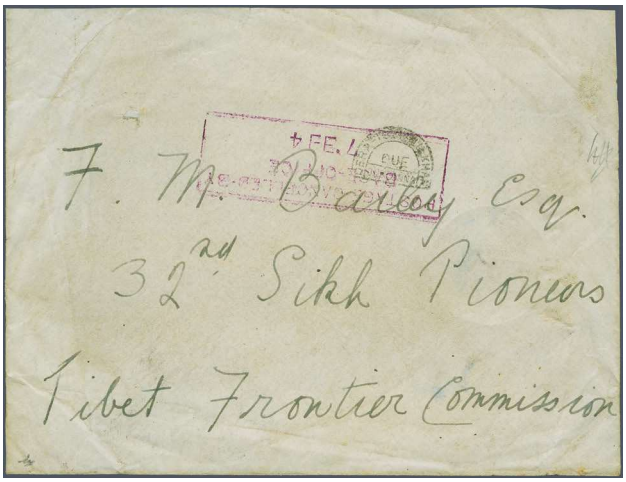


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		Gibbons	Start price in CHF
6029	India Edward VII ¼ a. brown on buff postal stationery card used O.C. Smith at the Government Telegraph Office at Kurseong, cancelled by superb strike of "KHAMBA-JONG / TIBET" circular datestamp (8 Nov, 1903) in black (Hellrigl B30 = 100 points), this Office in use from 18th August - 4th December 1903 only. Additionally struck with "TEMPORARY P.O.B." cds in black (Nov 9) and Kurseong arrival cds (Nov 14). A very rare usage and probably the finest strike of this datestamp which is seemingly only found on this small correspondence. *Note: "It has been blowing since 1 o'clock from the West and is cutting into the tent making it wretched...".* *Provenance: Christie's, London, 23 Nov 1988, lot 1491.*		✉	**300**
6030	India ½ green postal stationery envelope, a used example addressed to Mrs. H.B. Grimley of the Bengal Supply & Transport Corps in Meerut cancelled by "FIELD P.O. No. 25" circular datestamp (Jan 28, 1904) in black. The FPO is known, from an endorsed cover, to have been at Gautsa at this date - this cover also demonstrating any early usage of this cancellation on this Campaign (Hellrigl B3 / Proud D5). Meerut arrival on reverse (Feb 3). Faults to the envelope but rare. *Provenance: Collection Gerald Sattin, DF, Geneva, 27 Nov 1991, ex lot 11437.*		✉	**400**



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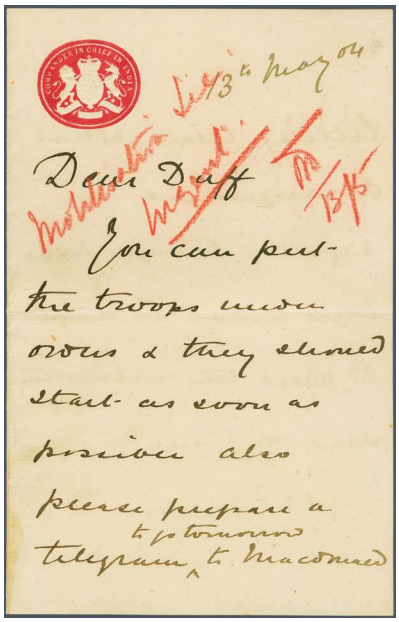


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6031	Cover sent stampless from Dera, India with despatch cds (Feb 3) on reverse to Lieut. F.M. Bailey of the 32nd Sikh Pioneers, Tibet Frontier Commission, struck with Dera horseshoe Postage Due marking in black, overlapped and cancelled at the Siliguri Base Office by framed "POSTAGE CANCELLED BY / BASE - OFFICE / 7 FE 4" in magenta ink (note month inverted). Slight soiling and pinhole in envelope but extremely rare, just three covers recorded with this handstamp. Signed Hellrigl. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 143.*		✉	**1'200**
6032	India 1902 1 a. carmine, a single example used on 1904 cover from Colonel Younghusband at camp at Tuna, Tibet to Mrs. Younghusband in Calcutta, tied by "FIELD POST OFFICE No. 24" circular datestamp (Feb 17) in black (Hellrigl B2 / Proud D5). Backstamped "SILIGURI BASE" cds in black, Calcutta cds's (Feb 24) and readdressed to the Residency at Indore. Rare. *Provenance: Collection Dr. William Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth, 5 June 1975, ex lot 1549.*	123	✉	**750**



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Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6033 India 1902 1 a. carmine, a horizontal strip of four used on 1904 cover from Colonel Younghusband at camp at Tuna, Tibet to Mrs. Younghusband in Calcutta, neatly cancelled by "FIELD POST OFFICE No. 24" circular datestamps (March 22) in black (Hellrigl B2 / Proud D5). Backstamped "BASE OFFICE" cds (March 25) and Calcutta arrival cds (March 28). An extremely rare and fine high franking from this Campaign.
Provenance: Collection Dr. William Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth, 5 June 1975, lot 1554. 123 ✉ **1'000**

6034 Holograph letter dated 13th May 1904 on "Commander in Chief in India" red crested paper, written and signed by His Excellency the Right Honourable Horatio Herbert, Viscount Kitchener of Khartoum, from the Army HQ in India to Lt. General Sir Beauchamp Duff, with an order issued following the Tibetan attack on the mission at Gyantse, the murders of the mission servants and the investment of Chunglu; stating *"Dear Duff, You can put the Troops under orders and they should start as soon as possible....arrangements as regards troops have been made so as to meet the instructions sent to Younghusband"*. Unique historical document.
Note: The Tibetans were informed that if their political representatives did not arrive at Gyantse by the 25th June 1904 ands discuss a Treaty, the British Forces would advance upon Lhasa.
Provenance: Collection Gerald Sattin ,DF, Zurich, 27 Nov 1991,lot 11436. (✉) **350**



Colonel F. E. Younghusband



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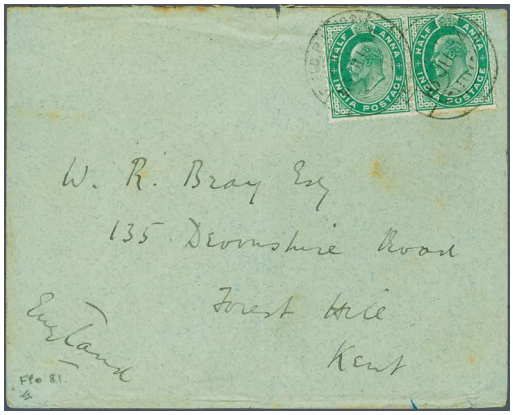


Helen Augusta Younghusband

6035 1903/04: India 1900 ½ a. yellow-green (2) used on 1904 cover from Colonel F.E. Younghusband to Mrs. Youghusband at the Botanical Gardens, Calcutta tied by two strikes of "FIELD P.O. No. 24" cds's in black (March 18) - note this datestamp never showed the '0' in '04' in year date (Hellrigl B2 / Proud D5). Reverse with "BASE OFFICE" cds (March 21) applied Siliguri and Botanic Gardens arrival cds of the following day. The cover written whilst the Expedition's preparations were well ahead at Chumbi for a Military advance towards Guru and by March 29th the troops were concentrated at Thuna. Some peripheral aging of no importance, a not unattractive and rare cover.
Note: To show the difficulty of the terrain this letter took three days to travel 150 miles to Siliguri and one day to travel the remaining 350 miles to Calcutta.
Provenance: Collection Gerald Sattin, DF, Geneva, 27 Nov 1991, ex lot 11437. 114 ✉ **500**



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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6036	India 1902 1 a. carmine, a single example used on 1904 cover from Lieut. Bailey of the 32nd Sikh Pioneers to his father Colonel Bailey in Edinburgh, tied by fine strike of "FIELD P.O. No. 83" cds (April 29) in black (Hellrigl B40 / Proud D5). Reverse with fine "BASE OFFICE" cds (May 2) and Edinburgh arrival (May 21) and readdressed to York. The FPO was three days from the Base Office and was probably at Lingmatang at this date. Minor edge wear but extremely rare. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, RL, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2502.*	123	✉	**750**

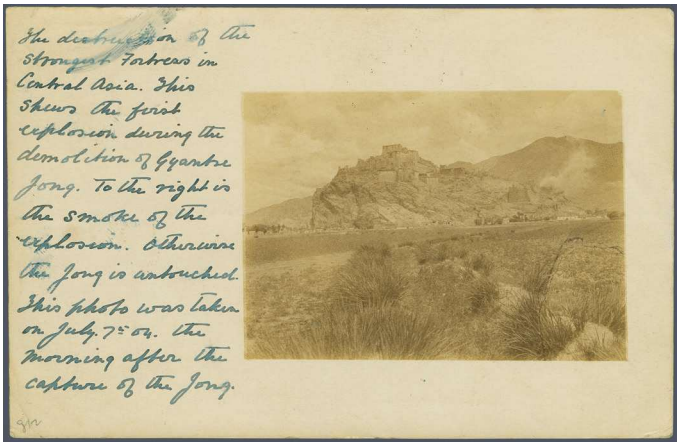


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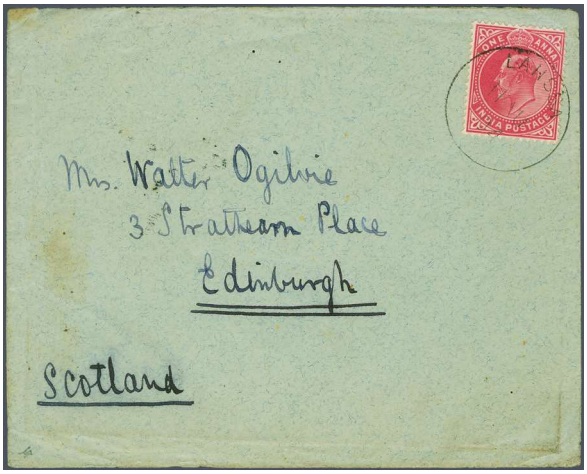


James Ludovic Lindsay, 26th Earl of Crawford

6037	India 1902 1 a. carmine and 2 a. violet used on 1904 registered cover addressed to the Earl of Crawford in London tied by "LAHSSA" circular datestamps (Aug 3 - first day of use) in black (Hellrigl B42). Redirected upon arrival in London (Sept 5) with oval "2d. / WDO" handstamp in black and violet framed "POSTED OUT / OF COURSE W" at left with Edinburgh transit (Sept 6) on reverse. A fine and extremely rare registered first day usage. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 23 July 1996, lot 563.*	123+124	✉	**1'500**
6038	India 1902 ½ a. green pair used on 1904 cover to Forest Hill, London tied by two good strikes of rare "F.P.O. No. 81" Field Post Office datestamps (June 16) in black (Hellrigl B38 / Proud D5 - no covers seen on this Campaign), applied at PHARIJONG. Reverse with London arrival cds (July 11). Central file fold well away from the adhesives, a very rare cover. *Note: Pharijong was an important staging post on the road from Chumbi to Gyantse. For the 19 miles from Chumbi the mail had to be carried by runners. On the remaining 100 miles to Gyantse, the mail was initially transported on Pony traps but, due to animal casualties, runners were again employed over the entire distance.* *Provenance: Collection Gerald Sattin ,DF, Zurich, 27 Nov 1991, lot 11437.*	122	✉	**500**



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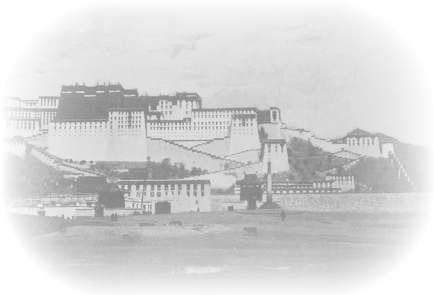


ex 6040

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6039	Photographic postcard to Sligo, Ireland (Grierson correspondence) showing the "*Destruction of the strongest fortress in Central Asia. This shows the first explosion during the demolition of Gyantse. To the right is the smoke from the explosion...*". Mailed at Jhelum with a 1 a. adhesive after the Expeditionary force returned from Tibet. Rare - illustrated on the reverse dust-jacket of Waterfall's "The Postal History of Tibet".		✉	**120**
6040	Covers (2) mailed from occupied Lhasa in 1904, each bearing single India 1902 1 a. carmine and mailed to Mrs. Walter Ogilvie in Edinburgh, Scotland from Surgeon-Captain W.H. Ogilvie serving with the 40th Pathans (40th Bengal Infnatry); tied by "LAHSSA" cds's (Hellrigl B42) the earlier cover dated August 11th and the second cancelled on September 22nd - the day the Post Office closed and the occupying forces withdrew, both covers backstamped "BASE OFFICE" cds in black applied at Siliguri. Minor imperfections but fine strikes and a scarce pair. *Provenance: Christie's Robson Lowe, London, 29 Nov 1990, ex lot 1794.*	123	✉	**250**



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Potala Palace in Lhasa

6041	India ½ a. green postal stationery envelope used to Shillong, Assam, India neatly cancelled by "LAHSSA" circular datestamp (Aug 14) in black (Hellrigl B42) - this cancellation known in use from 3 August 1904 until 22 Sept 1904 only. Reverse with "BASE OFFICE" cds (Aug 25) and part Shillong arrival cds. Closed tear in front panel and flap tear but rare.		✉	**300**
6042	Album page with India 1895/03 issues QV 3 p. grey, ½ a. green (two), 1 a. carmine, 2 a. violet (two), 4 a. olive-green, and 1895 2 r. carmine & yellow-brown and 5 r. ultramarine & violet with some on piece, all cancelled by neat strikes of the "LAHSSA" circular datestamp (Hellrigl B48) - in use from 3 August - 22 September 1904, all well struck in black. A scarce and attractive group of eleven items. *Provenance: Most ex collection Tony & Pat Wheeler.* *(Photo = 🗐 www)*		△	**250**



Colonel F. E. Younghusband



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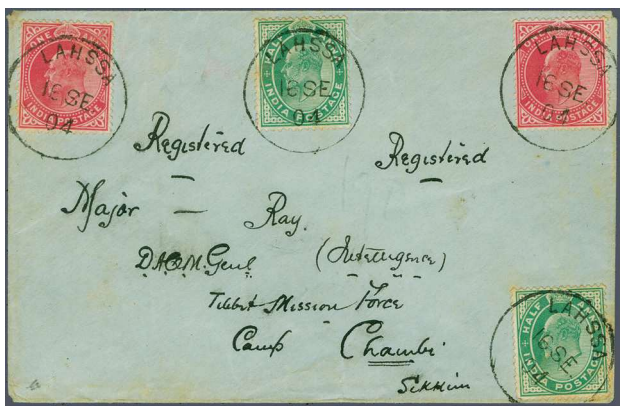
Helen Augusta Younghusband

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6043	India 1 a. carmine (three examples) used on 1904 envelope (with "TIBET FRONTIER COMMISSION" red oval crest on reverse) from Colonel Younghusband at Lhasa, Tibet to Mrs. Younghusband in Darjeeling, cancelled by "LAHSSA" circular datestamp (Aug 26) in black (Hellrigl B42) - this cancellation known in use from 3 August 1904 until 22 Sept 1904 only. Reverse with "Darjeeling" cds (Sept 6) and readdressed to Simla. A rare cover, sold together with India Victoria 3 p. grey on piece, 1902 1 a. carmine and 2 a. mauve all cancelled by LAHSSA cds's in black (two struck on August 3, 1904). *Provenance: Cover collection Dr. William Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth, 5 June 1975, lot 1558.*	123	✉	**750**



ex 6044

6044	India 1902 ½ a. green, two used horizontal pairs, each cancelled by fine strikes of "FIELD P.O. No. 81" circular datestamps applied in Pharijong, one pair dated "2 SE / 04", the other dated "22 SE / 04" both struck in black (Hellrigl B38 / Proud D6). Small imperfections but extremely rare - only one or two covers exist. *Provenance: Spink, London, 18 Oct 2002, lot 22.*	122		**120**



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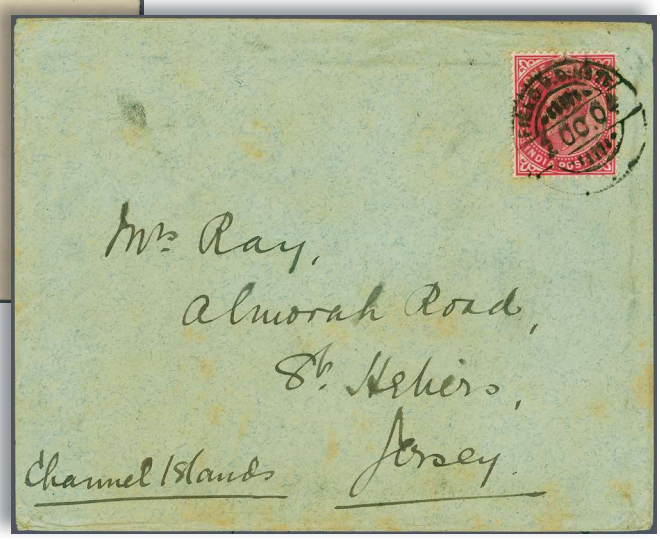
6045	India 1902 ½ a. green (2) and 1 a. carmine (2) used on 1904 registered cover from Lhasa to Major Ray, Intelligence Officer of the Tibet Mission Force at Camp Chambi, Sikkim all tied individually by neat "LAHSSA" cds's (Sept 18) in black (Hellrigl B42) with further strike on reverse next to "FIELD P.O. No. 26" cds of arrival in black (Hellrigl B33). Correctly rated for this service, the Occupation forces and accompanying Post Office were only in Lhasa from Aug 7 - Sept 23, 1904, there were no registration cachets utilised. Rare and most attractive. *Provenance: Collection Gerald Sattin, DF, Zurich, 27 Nov 1991, lot 11431.*	122+123	✉	**500**



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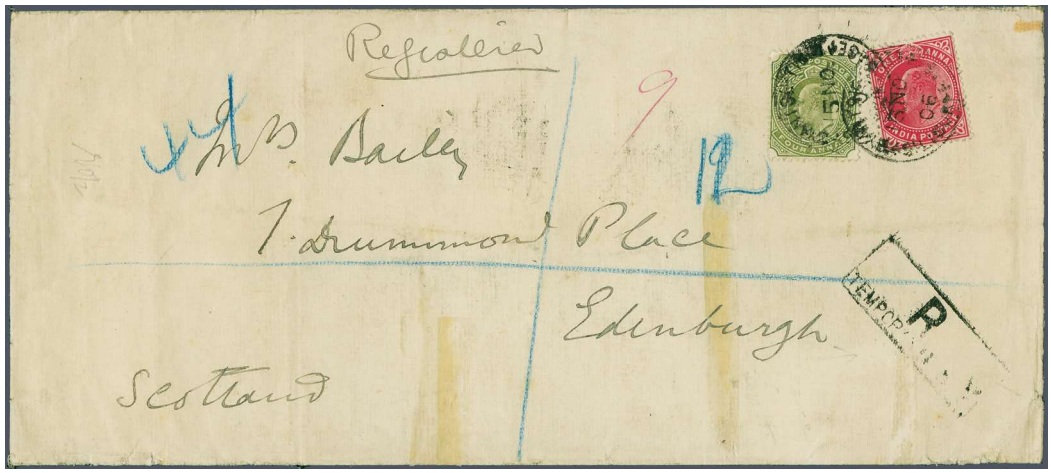
Elizabeth Castle in St. Heliers



6048

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6046	India 1 a. carmine in a horizontal pair, used on 1903 cover from Colonel Francis Younghusband to Mrs. Younghusband in Darjeeling, tied by scarce "EXPERIMENTAL P.O. / C - 46" in black (Sept 19) - at this date the advance column had arrived in Khamba-Jong. Reverse with Darjeeling arrival cds (Sept 23) in black. A scarce and fine usage. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 4 June 1990, lot 1120.*	123	✉	**250**
6047	India 1900 3 p. grey, single examples each used on 1904 postcards (4) - one of a Tibetan Mendicant, one of the Himalayan Railway, two of Mt. Kinchinjunga), each from the FPO at Chumbi and addressed to Mr. Byrne, Army Schoolmaster of the 1st Royal Fusiliers at Lebong, Darjeeling; each cancelled by "FIELD P.O. No. 26" circular datestamps (between Sept 26 and Oct 12) in black (Hellrigl B4 / Proud D5) with Lebong arrival cds's. Scarce. *Provenance: The "Mendicant" card ex collection Arnold C. Waterfall, Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 Oct 1978, lot 2178.* *(Photo = www)*	112	✉	**300**
6048	India 1 a. carmine used on cover to St. Helier, Jersey, Channel Islands tied by "FIELD P.O. No. 26" circular datestamp (Oct 2) in black applied at Chumbi. Backstamped "BASE OFFICE" cds (Oct 4) in black struck at Siliguri and St. Helier arrival cds (Oct 23) in black. Scarce and fine cover, especially so to this destination. *Note: The sender was probably Major R.E. Ray of the Intelligence Branch and one of the senior officers of the Younghusband Expedition..* *Provenance: Christie's, London, 14 June 1990, lot 1121.*	123	✉	**200**
6049	**The Younghusband Correspondence** 1898/1903: Covers (33) from Francis Younghusband to his wife mostly whilst based in Rajahstan, beginning with covers from Deoli to Abu (5 covers at 1 anna rates); Oct 1898 cover from Tonk to the Agency at Deoli at 2 a. rate, Dec 1898 cover with ½ a. pair tied Nimbahera squared circle to Deoli; 1899 further cover from Tonk to Deoli; Aug 1899 cover from Bundi to London at 3 anna rate, covers from deoli to London at 2 a. rate, 1900 covers on his wife's return to India from Kotah, Tonk, Bundi, Neemuch, Abu and May 1903 covers from Chaura Maidan to Indore. A generally fine ensemble giving a fascinating picture of Younghusband's life on the move in India. *Note: Rumours of Russian expansion into the Hindu Kush with a Russian presence in Tibet prompted the new Viceroy of India, Lord Curzon, to appoint Younghusband, by then a major, British commissioner to Tibet from 1902 to 1904.* *Provenance: Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 549.* *(Photo = www)*		✉	**250**

1906/56, Indian Post Offices in Tibet



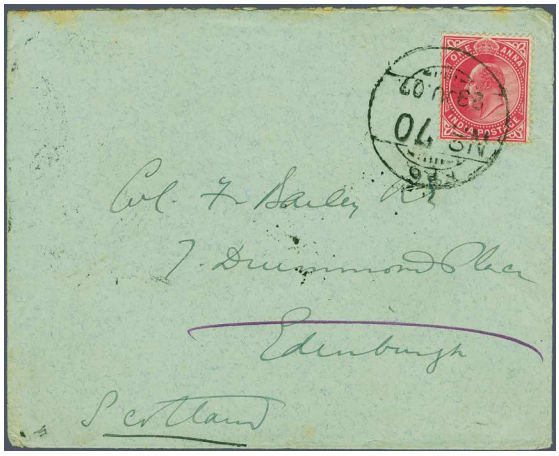
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Gibbons — Start price in CHF

6050 1906: India 1902 1 a. carmine and 4 a. olive used on 1906 registered cover from Lieut. F.M. Bailey to his mother Mrs. Bailey in Edinburgh, tied by "GYANTSE TIBET / SILIGURI BASE" cds's (Nov 15) in black with scarce framed "R / TEMPORARY P.O. / Y" registration handstamp below (Hellrigl B63) in black. Edinburgh arrival (Dec 17) on reverse of a scarce cover.
Note: Lieut. F.M. Bailey was soon to be appointed the Political Agent at the British Agency in Gyantse. 123+128 ✉ **400**



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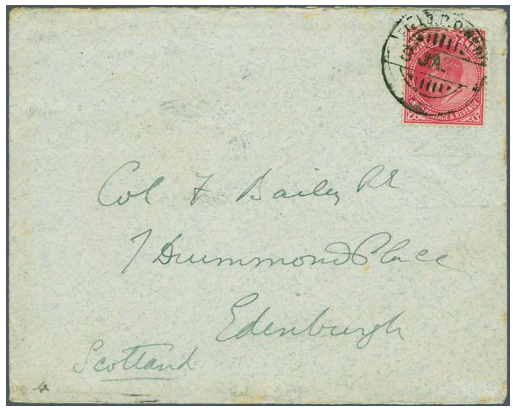
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6051 1907: India 1902 ½ a. green, four examples used on 1907 cover from Lieut. F.M. Bailey in Yatung to his mother in Edinburgh, all tied by large "F,P.O. / No. 70" cds's (April 8) in black (Hellrigl B8 / Proud D7 - states the FPO was at Chumbi). Reverse with "BASE OFFICE" cds (April 10) and carried on the P&O *"Arabia"* from Bombay with "SEA POST OFFICE /A" cds (April 13) and Edinburgh arrival (April 27). Minor bends at top but a very rare cover.
Provenance: Collection Clarkson G. Stevens, Harmers, New York, 25 Feb 1978, lot 2557. 122 ✉ **750**

6052 1907: India 1902 1 a. carmine, a single example used on 1907 cover from Lieut. F.M. Bailey in Yatung to his father in Edinburgh, tied by large "F,P.O. / No. 70" cds's (June 23) in black (Hellrigl B8 / Proud D7 - states the FPO was at Chumbi). Reverse with "BASE OFFICE" cds (June 26) and carried on the P&O *"Oriental"* from Bombay with "SEA POST OFFICE /A" cds (June 29) and Edinburgh arrival (July 15). A very rare cover.
Provenance: Collection Clarkson G. Stevens, Harmers, New York, 25 Feb 1978, lot 2558. 123 ✉ **750**



6053



6054

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6053	1907: India 1902 ½ a. green, a horizontal pair used on 1907 cover from Lieut. F.M. Bailey to his father in Edinburgh, crisply cancelled by "GYANTSE TIBET / SILIGURI BASE" cds's (Sept 16) in black (Hellrigl B45). Reverse with "BASE OFFICE" cds and "Upper Keith / East Lothian" arrival cds (Oct 23). Scarce so fine. *Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall.*	122	✉	**120**
6054	**Indian Post Offices / Military Mail from Tibet** 1908: India 1906 1 a. carmine used on 1908 cover from Lieut. Bailey to his father in Edinburgh, tied by good strike of "FIELD P.O.No. 81" circular datestamp (Jan 8) applied in PHARIJONG in black (Hellrigl B38 / Proud D5). Reverse with "BASE OFFICE" cds (Jan 11) and Edinburgh arrival (Feb 3). By this date Lieut. Bailey, fluent in Tibetan, was serving as a Political Officer. Scarce and fine cover. *Provenance: Collection Derek Hammond Giles, Spink, London, 25 Oct 2000, lot 6284.*	150	✉	**300**



6055



ex 6056

6055	**Tibet - Incoming Mail** 1902/13: Great Britain 1½ d. dull purple & green and 3 d. purple on yellow used on 1912 registered cover to the Chief Postmaster in Lhasa, Tibet tied by "Chancery Lane" despatch cds's (Aug 2). Numerous backstamps including "GYANTSE TIBET / SILIGURI BASE" cds's (Aug 22 and Aug 23) in black, framed "PARTI / LEFT" and Dead Letter Office datestamps from Calcutta and Bombay. Cover opend for Exhibit display - an extraordinary destination for British mail at this date. *Provenance: Collection Clarkson G. Stevens, Harmers, New York, 25 Feb 1978, lot 2565.*		✉	**120**
6056	1913: Two 'Wilson' registered covers to Birmingham each with four colour frankings of 3 p. grey, ½ a. green, 1 a. carmine and 2 a. violet; with 4 Aug 1913 cover tied by "PHARIJONG F.P.O. No. 81" cds's with "PHARIJONG / F.P.O. No. 81" registered label handstamped in red below (Hellrigl B10+B84) and 24 Oct 1913 cover tied by "GYANTSE - TIBET / SILIGURI BASE" cds's with registration label adjacent (Hellrigl B45+B86). A fine and attractive pair. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler.*		✉	**150**

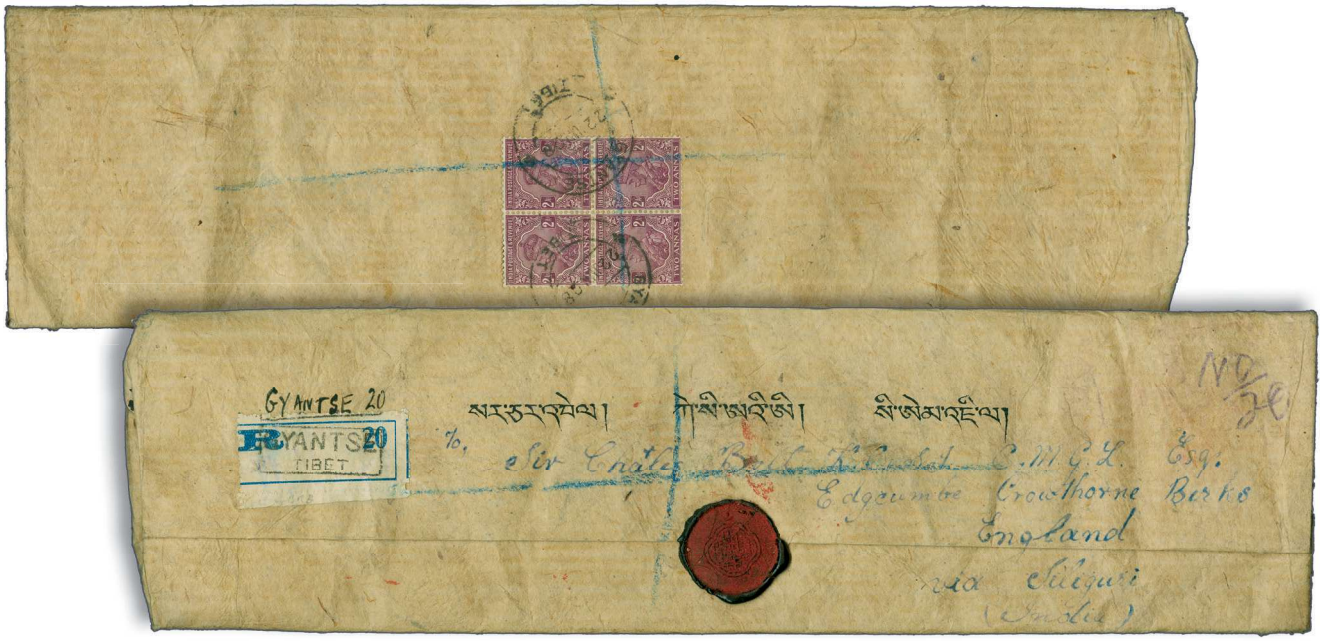


6057



View of Yatung

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6057	1911/23: India 3 p. grey and an irregular block of five 1 a. carmine used on 9 p. on ½ a. green stationery envelope, sent registered to Sven Hedin in Stockholm, Sweden all neatly tied by strikes of "YATUNG TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (21 Aug 1922) in black (Hellrigl B47), with handstamped blue registration label "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" at left (Hellrigl B80). Sensibly opened for display, a most attractive and unusual cover. *Provenance: SG, London, 16 March 1998, lot 409.*	151+159	✉	**150**



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6058	1926: India 2 a. purple, a used block of four on reverse of 1928 registered cover to Sir Charles Alfred Bell CMG., in Crowthorne, Bucks, England tied by "GYANTSE / TIBET" cds's (Nov 20) in black (Hellrigl B48/1). Obverse with "GYANTSE / TIBET" blue registration label (Hellrigl B77) and complete and very fine seal of Thubten Gyatso, the 13th Dalai Lama in red with complete surround in black. Rare and most attractive.	206	✉⊞	**750**
6059	**British Indian Postal Agencies in Tibet** 1908/55c.: The collection on leaves with cancellation study on covers (22) and further pages showing the cancellations used on stamps with most on piece (31 items), incl. 1913 regisstered covers from Gyantse to Seremban, Malaya at 4 anna and 5 anna rates repectively cancelled "Gyantse - Tibet / Siliguri Base", the first cover showing early usage of the registered label; 1920 cover registered to Lebong at 3 a. rate tied "Gyantse / Tibet" cds's, 1924 cover with India 6 a. superbly tied "Yatung Tibet / Via Siliguri", India 1 a. stationery envelope similarly cancelled and used to Sikkim abd backstamped "Gangtok"; 2½ a. registered stationery envelope used from Pharijong to Wales, ingoing and ougoing covers from Lieut. Bailey from Gyantse and Yatung, 1925 and 1927 up-rated posstal stationery envelopes mailed with India Official issues, two India / Tibet combination covers etc. A splendid group. *(Photo = www)*		✉△	**1'000**

1910/11, Imperial Chinese Post in Tibet

Usage of Unoverprinted Coiling Dragon Adhesives



6060

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6060 1898: Chinese Imperial Post, Presentation sheet for the 1898 Coiling Dragon issue, the complete set set of twelve in the original colours, all applied to neat form (212 x 162 mm.) with endorsement *"Complimentary Set presented by the Imperial Administration"*, all overprinted "SPECIMEN" horizontally in black (the overprints were applied in a single form of twelve clichés). Superbly attractive and very rare. Scott 98/109 spec.
Provenance: Sotheby's, London, 8 July 1994, lot 24.

108/119 spec (*) **1'000**



6061



View of Gyantse

6061 1911 (February): Bilingually addressed cover to Lhasa franked on reverse with China 1900/06 Coiling Dragon 1 c. brownish-orange in a horizontal strip of three tied by two fine strikes of "GYANTSE - TIBET" circular datestamps in black (Hellrigl C11) with repeated strike on obverse, "LHASA - TIBET" cds of receipt (Hellrigl C12) on reverse. A fine and rare usage.
Provenance: C. Gartner, Bissingheim, 1 Feb 2013, lot 469.

122a ✉ **1'500**



6062



6064

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6062	1911: China 1 c. brownish-orange, unoverprinted, a used vertical strip of three on reverse of 1911 cover to Gyantse, tied by "LHASA - TIBET" datestamps (Hellrigl C12) in black with repeated strike on obverse. "GYANTSE - TIBET" arrival cds in black alongside. Peripheral edge wear to the envelope but an exceptional and very rare usage.	122a	✉	**1'000**



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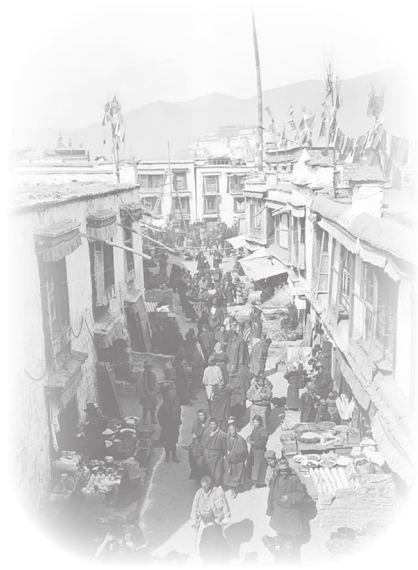


Market in Shigatze

6063	China Coiling Dragon 1900 1 c. brownish-orange and 1908 2 c. deep green, used on reverse of 1910c. cover to Lhasa tied by circular bilingual "SHIGATZE" despatch in black (Hellrigl C4) with information strike on obverse, fair "GYANGTSE" transit (Hellrigl C1) and "LHASA" arrival in black (Hellrigl C2). Some soiling and manuscript notations *"Registered"* in places but a rare forerunner usage. *Provenance: Ex Peter Holcombe stock, Harmers, London, 9 July 1997, lot 376.*	122a+151	✉	**500**
6064	1910: Cover from Shigatse to Lhasa trilingually addressed, franked on reverse with China Coiling Dragon 1900 1 c. ochre and 1905 2 c. bright green tied by trilingual "SHIGATZE" circular marking with superb repeated strike on obverse (Hellrigl C4 - in use for five weeks only) in black and fine strike of the trilingual "LHASA" arrival in black (Hellrigl C2). Sensibly opened for display, some edge wear and envelope imperfections but a very rare cover. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2511.*	122+151	✉	**1'000**



6065



Market in Lhasa

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6065	**Incoming Mail** 1911: China Coiling Dragon 1 c. brownish-orange (2) and 2 c. deep green (2) used on 1911 red-band envelope to Lhasa, Tibet tied in black with reverse showing bilingual "LHASA / TIBET" arrival (Hellrigl C6) in black. A magnificent and rare cover, the Lhasa cancellation in use for just four months.	122a+151	✉	**1'500**



6066

6066	1905: Coiling Dragon 5 c. mauve horizontal pair, used on 1911 printed "On Service" Chinese Customs envelope to the Customs Commissioner in Yatung, Tibet endorsed *"Via Siliguri, India"* at top, tied by Shanghai bilingual cds in black. Reverse with Shanghai cds (Jan 20), Shanghai British P.O. cds (Jan 31), Tuticorin cds (Feb 16), "BASE OFFICE" cds (Feb 21) and "YATUNG TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds of arrival (Feb 22) in black (Hellrigl B47). Corner bend at lower left and slight aging but a fine cover demonstrating the sea route to Tibet was much quicker than the overland. An extremely rare incoming cover. *Provenance: Spink China, Hong Kong, 15 Jan 2012, lot 1583.*	154	✉	**1'500**



6067

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6067 Chinese Post Offices 1911 (March): China 10 c. blue pair used on registered cover to Shanghai, tied by "LHASA TIBET" circular datestamp (Hellrigl C16) with fine information strike and framed LHASA registration cachet at left, "YATUNG - TIBET" backstamp. Passed to Indian Post Office for onward transmission, franked on reverse by India 1906 ½ a. green (Gi 149), a strip of four and a strip of five tied by "YATUNG-TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds (March 23) in black, matching registration handstamp on front, oval "REGISTERED SHANGHAI" arrival backstamp. Black & red wax seal showing that it was used by a layman. Cover opened out for display, minor perforation irregularities, nevertheless a most attractive cover. 156 ✉ **850**

Usage of Overprinted Coiling Dragon Adhesives - Stamps



6068

6068 1911 (March): 3 pies on 1 c. brownish-orange, an unused block of twenty-four (6 x 4), marginal from base of sheet and showing the vertical interpanneau margin between the fourth and fifth rows, fresh and very fine, two stamps with hinge, the balance full unmounted og. A scarce and attractive multiple
Scott 1 = $ 660+ / Gi = £ 480+.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall, Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 Oct 1978, ex lot 2198. C1 ⊞*/** **140**



The Tibetan fortification at Yatung



6069

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6069	3 pies on 1 c. brownish-orange, an unused horizontal pair, variety "Surcharge Inverted", fine fresh colour, slightly dried large part og. Extremely rare with just one pane of 40 subjects issued in error Scott 1a = $ 7'000+ / Gi = £ 7'000+. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2571.*	C1a	*	**2'500**



6070

6070	½ a. on 2 c. deep green, a used block of thirty-two centrally divided by vertical interpaneau margin and sheet marginal at right (the sheets were of 40 subjects in two panes of 20), neatly cancelled by eight complete strikes of "YATUNG - TIBET" circular datestamps in black (Hellrigl C15) dated 29th Nov 1911. A fine and rare multiple showing a late date of use and probably the largest known used block Scott 2 = $ 1'440+ / Gi = £ 575+. *Provenance: Collection Meiso Mizuhara, Spink, London, 18 Oct 2002, ex lot 60* *Spink China, Hong Kong, 15 Jan 2012, lot 1558.*	C2	⊞	**250**



6071

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6071 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a used block of twelve (6 x 2) with a block of four divided by vertical interpanneau margin with block of eight at right, all neatly cancelled by "YATUNG - TIBET" bilingual datestamps in black. Exceptional and rare Scott 3 = $ 540+ / Gi = £ 300+.
Note: After the 1910 invasion, Chinese national stamps were briefly utilised and special Chinese datestamps were prepared for the towns of Chabdo, Gyantse, Lhasa, Pharijong, Shigatse and Yatung. C3 ⊞ **150**



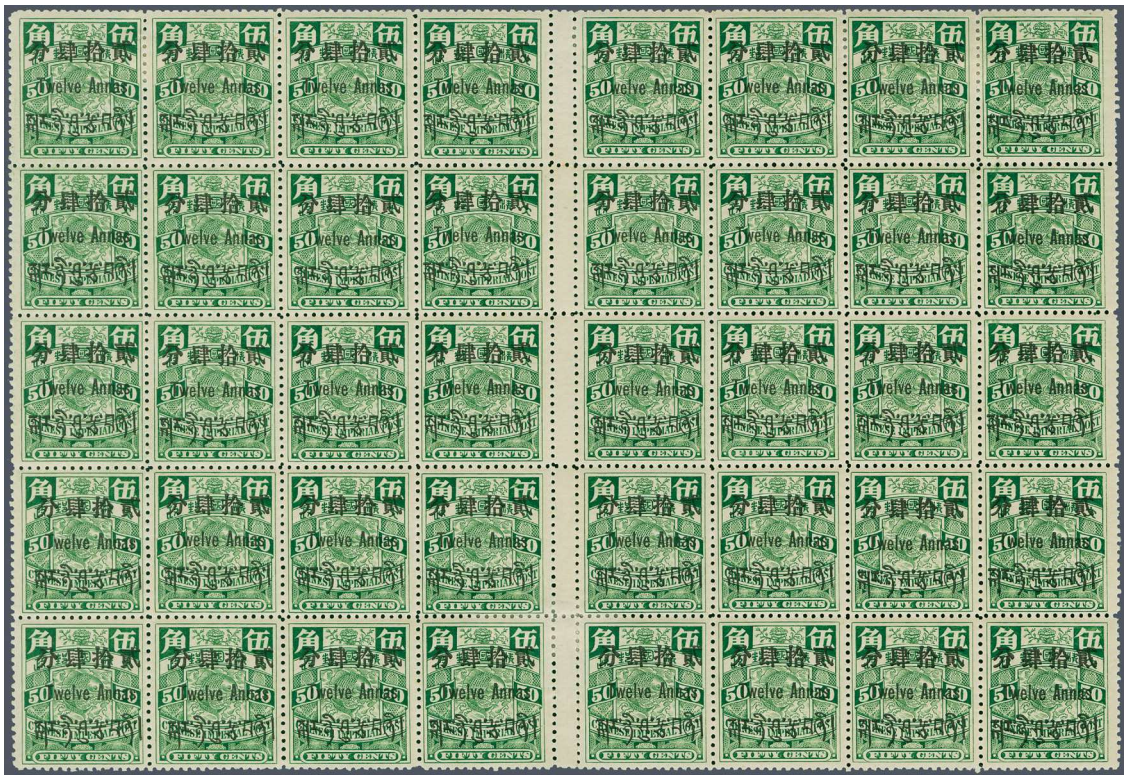
6072

6072 3 annas on 16 c. olive-green, an unused horizontal strip of three (positions 13-15 in the right hand pane), central stamp showing variety "Large Inverted "S" in ANNAS", slightest aging and dust on perf., at right of strip, otherwise fresh and fine, large part og. A very rare multiple Scott 6+6a = $ 1'390+ / Gi = £ 1'860+. C6+C6a * **400**



6073

6073 6 a. on 30 c. vermilion, an unused block of 32 with two large part panes of sixteen subjects divided by vertical interpanneau margin and sheet marginal at base, of lovely fresh vibrant colour, central fold down right hand row of interpane perforations, one or two minor imperfections and adhered to backing paper; however a very rare large multiple of this scarce stamp Scott 8 = $ 4'000 / Gi = £ 6'400.
Provenance: Interasia, Hong Kong, 1 April 2017, lot 3259. C8 ⊞(*) **1'000**



6074

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6074 12 annas on 50 c. green, an unused complete sheet of forty (8 x 5), showing the vertical interpanneau margin between the two panes of twenty subjects, fresh and very fine, eight stamps with hinge remnants, the balance full unmounted og. An exceedingly rare and most attractive full sheet and most probably unique Scott 9 = $ 13'000+ / Gi = £ 20'000+.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 188. C9 ⊞*/** **4'000**



6075



6076

6075 2 rupees on $ 2 claret & bright yellow, an unused example, variety "Re-Entry to Chinese 2" (Chan variety T112), well centred and of fine colour, trivial wrinkle on large part og. An extremely rare variety on an extremely rare stamp Scott = $ 1'620++ / Gi = £ 2'000++. C11 var * **1'000**

6076 2 r. on $ 2 claret & bright yellow, an unused block of four, marginal from right of sheet, of superb fresh colour, top pair lightly mounted og., the lower pair unmounted og. Extremely rare with just 2'700 stamps issued Scott 11 = $ 6'480+ / Gi = £ 8'000+.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall, Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 Oct 1978, lot 2202. C11 ⊞*/** **1'750**


6077


6078


ex 6081


ex 6082

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6077	$ 2 claret & bright yellow, a very fine used example, centred to base, cancelled by large part "LHASA" cds in black. Rare, just 2'700 stamps printed Scott 11 = $ 1'800 / Gi = £ 1'600. *Note: After the Chinese Revolution of October 1911, the Chinese garrisons in Tibet withdrew, with the positions of postal officials becoming dangerous. The Post Offices at Lhasa, Gyantse and Shigatse ceased to function by December 1911.* *Provenance: Collection Charles Duggan, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 Oct 1980.*	C11		**500**
6078	$ 2 claret & bright yellow, a very fine used example, centred to right, cancelled by large part "LHASA" cds in black. Rare, just 2'700 stamps printed Scott 11 = $ 1'800 / Gi = £ 1'600. *Note: After the Chinese Revolution of October 1911, the Chinese garrisons in Tibet withdrew, with the positions of postal officials becoming dangerous. The Post Offices at Lhasa, Gyantse and Shigatse ceased to function by December 1911.* *Provenance: Collection Charles Duggan, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 Oct 1980.*	C11		**500**


ex 6079

6079	3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 2 c. deep green and 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, each in used blocks of four backed on rice paper, each neatly cancelled by "YATUNG - TIBET" circular datestamps (Hellrigl C15) centrally struck in black. Scarce multiples Scott 1/3 = $ 540+ / Gi = £ 244+. *Provenance: Spink China, Hong Kong, 15 Jan 2012, lot 1581.*	C1+C2+C3	⊞	**150**
6080	Album page with 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange used, delightful ½ a. on 2 c. deep green in a sheet marginal used block of six cancelled by two complete strikes of "CHABDO - TIBET" datestamps; 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet tied to small piece by complete "LHASA TIBET" cds in black and 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake cancelled by part "YATUNG - TIBET" cds in black. A scarce and attractive group Scott 1/4 = $ 40+ / Gi = £ 175+. *Note: The designs for the Chinese cancellations were evidently taken from the ubiquitous Chinese "Dollar Chops" of the 1890's.* *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1978.* *(Photo = www)*	C1/C4	⊞	**150**
6081	The complete set of eleven values surcharged in black in Shanghai in three languages, from 3 pies to 2 rupees, fine used, generally fresh and very fine, with the $ 1 and $ 2 values each tied to small piece. Cert. BPA (2014) Scott 1/11 = $ 3'635 / Gi = £ 3'000. *Provenance: Cavendish, Derby, 18 June 2014, lot 1262.*	C1/C11	△	**850**
6082	The complete set of eleven values surcharged in black in Shanghai in three languages, from 3 pies to 2 rupees, generally fresh and very fine, part to large part og. A rare set Scott 1/11 = $ 3'255 / Gi = £ 3'500. *Note: Just 2'700 of the $ 2 value were issued. This is the first postage stamp printed with an overprint in three languages: Chinese, Tibetan and in English as most mail was considerably quicker if sent via India.* *Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall, Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 Oct 1978, lot 2199.*	C1/C11	*	**850**

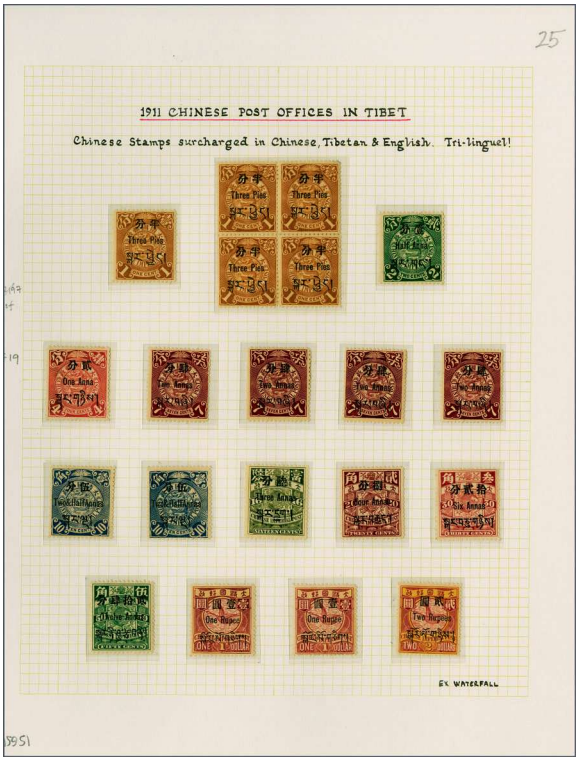


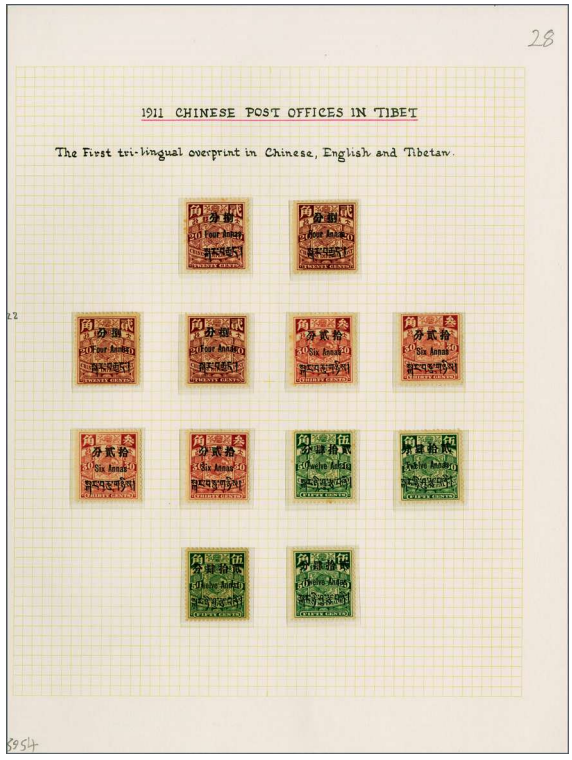


ex 6083

Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6083 The complete set of eleven values used on piece with the nine values from 3 p. 1 c. to 12 a. on 50 c. green, all used and to pieces with fine "GYANTSE - TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C11), extremely rare 1 r. on $ 1 red & flesh in a block of four centrally cancelled "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamp in black and 2 r. on $ 2 claret & brown-yellow tied to small piece tied by "LHASA - TIBET" cds in black, an exceptional set with the multiple being extremely rare Scott = $ 6'335+ / Gi = £ 5'400+.
Provenance: Sotheby's, Hong Kong, 29 April 1996, lot 584. C1/C11 ⊞ **1'200**





ex 6084

6084 The wonderful unused collection (75 items) with 3 pies on 1 c. brownish-orange with a block of four and five single examples; ½ a. on 2 c. deep green in an interpanneau block of 18, a horizontal strip of four and five single examples, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet in an unused interpanneau block of 19, a horizontal strip of four and five single examples, 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake in a block of six, a pair and 8 single examples; 2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue in a block of six, a pair and 6 single examples; 3 a. on 16 c. olive-green in a block of eight and 5 single examples; 4 a. on 20 c. maroon in a block of nine and 5 single examples; 6 a. on 30 c. vermilion in a block of four and 6 single examples; 12 a. on 50 c. green in a pair and 6 single examples; 1 r. on $ 1 red & flesh with no less than 10 examples and rare $ 2 claret & bright yellow, with three fine single examples; extraordinarily fine for such a rare and wonderful accumulation in remarkably fresh and fine quality Scott = $ 22'200+ / Gi = £ 27'500+.
Provenance: Most ex collection Arnold C. Waterfall Robson Lowe, Basel, 24-27 Oct 1978, ex lots 2197 and 2198. C1/C11 ⊞*/** **7'500**

Usage of Overprinted Coiling Dragon Adhesives - Covers



6085



6086

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6085	1911: 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, a horizontal and a vertical interpanneau margin pair, this last contemporarily defective on one corner, used on 1911 cover to Lhasa tied by "GYANTSE - TIBET" datestamps (Hellrigl C11) in black with "LHASA - TIBET" arrival cds (Hellrigl C12) on reverse. Despite the imperfection a not unattractive and very rare commercial usage of the 'Number One'.	C1	✉	**300**
6086	3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, four examples used on reverse of 1911 cover to Gyantse, tied by circular "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C16) with information strike adjacent and faint "GYANTSE - TIBET" arrival (Hellrigl C11) in black. The cover internally backed for protection but a rare franking. Signed Hellrigl, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec lot 193.*	C1	✉	**750**



6087



A temple in Lhasa

6087	3 p. in 1 c. brownish-orange in a vertical pair and ½ a. on 1 a. deep green in a vertcal strip three and a vertical pair, used on registered red-band cover from Lhasa to Yatung all tied by four strikes of "LHASA - TIBET" datestamps in black (Helrigl C12) with fine arrival of "YATUNG - TIBET" alongside in black (Hellrigl C15). Reverse with repeated Lhasa despatch datestamp alongside framed "LHASA" registration cachet (Hellrigl C21) in black. Superb and very rare. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2518.*	C1+C2	✉	**1'200**



6088



6089

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6088	3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange (two horizontal pairs) and single 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake all used on 1912 red band cover from Yatung to Pharijong, the adhesives individually tied by circular "YATUNG" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C5). Receiving cds at left of circular "PHARIJONG F.P.O. No. 81" circular datestamp (May 3) in black (Hellrigl B39). A magnificent and very rare cover.	C1+C4	✉	**1'500**
6089	3 p. in 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 1 a. deep green, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet and 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake, all used on cover and tied by superb strikes of "CHABDO - TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C10). Philatelic with Chinese address only and some discolouration to the adhesives but an extremely rare franking and cancellation. *Provenance: Harmers, New York, 13 March 1979, lot 1342.*	C1/C4	✉	**1'000**



6090

Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6090 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 2 c. deep green, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake and 2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue, all used on 1911 registered cover to Attungal, India tied by "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamps in black with framed "R / YATUNG" registration cachet, together with India 1901/11 2 a. mauve and 1906 ½ a. green (Gi 125 + 149) tied by "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (Sept 1) with "YATUNG - TIBET / F.P.O. No. 70" handstamped registration label in blue (Hellrigl B83). Reverse with Attungal arrival cds (Sept 9). A fresh and fine combination usage. C1/C5 ✉ **600**



6091

6091 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 2 c. deep green, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake and 2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue, all used on 1911 registered cover to Darjeeling tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black with framed "R / LHASA" registration cachet and "YATUNG - TIBET" transit all on obverse and reverse with India 1906 ½ a. green and 1 a. carmine pair (Gi 149/150) tied by "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (Aug 18) with handstamped registration label of same adjacent and Darjeeling arrival cds (Aug 21). Some slight dulling of colour on the 1 anna adhesive but the cover would benefit by being opened for Exhibit display - rare and most attractive. C1/C5 ✉ **750**



6092



6093

Gibbons

Start price in CHF

6092 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 2 c. deep green, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake and 2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue, all used on 1911 registered cover to Darjeeling tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black with framed "R / LHASA" registration cachet and "YATUNG - TIBET" transit all on obverse and reverse with India 1906 ½ a. green and 1 a. carmine pair (Gi 149/150) tied by "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (Aug 18) with handstamped registration label of same adjacent and Darjeeling arrival cds (Aug 21). Some slight dulling of colour on the 1 anna adhesive but the cover would benefit by being opened for Exhibit display - rare and most attractive. C1/C5 ✉ **750**

6093 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 2 c. deep green, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake and 2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue all used on registered 1911 cover to Darjeeling, India tied by "LHASA TIBET" circular datestamps (Hellrigl C16) with fine information strike and framed LHASA registration cachet (Hellrigl C21) below. Superb strike of "YATUNG - TIBET" transit on reverse (Hellrigl C15) and passed to Indian Post Office for onward transmission, franked by 1906 ½ a. green and 1 a. carmine pair (Gi 149+150) tied by "YATUNG-TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds (Aug 3) in black with registration label (Hellrigl B65A) alongside, tied by Darjeeling arrival cds (Aug 5). The cover sensibly opened for Exhibit display but somewhat adhered to mounting card, a rare and particularly attractive combination usage. *Note: The addressee, W.S. O'Sullivan was a serious philatelist and the finder of the unused large blocks of the Nepal 1917 ½ a. orange - see Corinphila sale 206, lot 3191 and Corinphila sale 367, lot 169. Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979.* C1/C5 ✉ **750**



6094

6094 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange and ½ a. on 2 c. deep green (on reverse) and obverse with 3 p. on 1 c. brownish-orange, ½ a. on 2 c. deep green, 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake, 2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue, 3 a. on 16 c. olive-green and 4 a. on 20 c. maroon all used on registered 1911 cover to Peking, tied by "LHASA TIBET" circular datestamps (Hellrigl C16) with fine information strike and framed LHASA registration cachet (Hellrigl C21) at left. Passed to Indian Post Office for onward transmission, franked by India 1906 ½ a. green and 1903 4 a. olive (Gi 149+128) tied by "YATUNG-TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds (Nov 4) in black with "YATUNG-TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" registration label alongside. Faults to the two Chinese adhesives on reverse due to photographic corner usage but a scarce and attractive item. C1/C7 ✉ **400**



6095



6096

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6095 ½ a. on 1 a. deep green, a horizontal pair with slight staining from the adhesive used, on reverse of cover to Gyantse, tied by "LHASA - TIBET" circular datestamp in black (Hellrigl C12) with information strike on obverse, "GYANTSE - TIBET" arrival cds in black (Hellrigl C11) adjacent to the adhesives on reverse. A fine and rare cover. Cert. RPSL (1987).
Provenance: Christie's, London, 14 May 1987, lot 2545. C2 ✉ **500**

6096 ½ a. on 2 c. deep green, a used horizontal pair on cover to Lhasa, tied by "GYANTSE - TIBET" cds's in black (Hellrigl C11) with further fine strike of the despatch cds on obverse. A fine and very rare cover. C2 ✉ **500**



6097



ex 6098

6097 ½ a. on 1 a. deep green, two examples with single 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet used on cover from Yatung to Phari tied by "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamps (Hellrigl C15) in black with neat strike of trilingual "PHAGRI" arrival cds alongside in black (Hellrigl C3) and repeated on reverse. Philatelic but a fresh and fine cover. C2+C3 ✉ **300**

6098 ½ a. on 1 a. deep green, two examples with single 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet used on cover from Yatung to Phari tied by "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamps (Hellrigl C15) in black with neat strike of trilingual "PHAGRI" arrival cds alongside in black (Hellrigl C3) and repeated on reverse. Philatelic but a fresh and fine cover, sold together with two individual pieces with ½ a. on 1 a. deep green and 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet similarly cancelled. A fine page. C2+C3 ✉ **320**



6099

6099 ½ a. on 1 a. deep green, two examples with single 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet used on cover from Yatung to Phari tied by "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamps (Hellrigl C15) in black with neat strike of trilingual "PHAGRI" arrival cds alongside in black (Hellrigl C3) and repeated on reverse. Philatelic but a fresh and fine cover.
Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2521. C2+C3 ✉ **350**



6100



6101

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6100	½ a. on 2 c. deep green in a horizontal pair and 2 c. on 7 c. carmine-lake (two examples) all used on large piece of cover to Gyantse, tied by "LHASA TIBET" circular datestamps (Hellrigl C16) with "GYANTSE - TIBET" cds of arrival below in black. A scarce piece.	C2+C4	△	**300**
6101	½ a. on 2 c. deep green, two examples and 2 a. on 7 c. carmine-lake, four examples, all used on 1911 registered cover to Shanghai, China tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C16) with information strike below and framed "LHASA" registration handstamp in black (Hellrigl C21). Fine "YATUNG - TIBET" transit (Hellrigl C15) on reverse with India adhesives removed but remaining registration label of "YATUNG-TIBET / F.P.O. No. 70" on obverse. Shanghai arrival (Oct 8). Despite the fault, a rare cover with the obverse displaying well - whether the India stamps were purloined during the October 1911 revolution no one could know, however the obverse makes for a most attractive franking. *Provenance: Collection Major James Starr, Sotheby's, London, 13 Sept 1991, lot 893.*	C2+C4	✉	**400**



6102



View of Peking's City Gate

6102	½ a. on 1 a. deep green, 1 c. on 4 c. scarlet (2), 2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake and 4 c. on 20 c. maroon, all used on obverse of registered cover endorsed *"Via Chengtu"* to the Directorate of Posts in Peking, China and tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps (July 20) in black (Hellrigl C16) with framed "LHASA" registration handstamp below (Hellrigl C21) in black. Carried overland and delayed by the outbreak of the October 1911 revolution with transit datestamps of Batang, Tatsienlu and Yachowfu, with Peking arrival (Feb 15, 1912). An astonishing and extremely rare cover. *Provenance: Collection Clarkson G. Stevens, Harmers, New York, 25 Feb 1978, lot 2592.*	C2/C4+C7	✉	**2'000**



6103



View of Shanghai

Gibbons — Start price in CHF

6103 ½ a. on 2 c. deep green and 3 a. on 16 c. olive-green used on 1911 cover to Shanghai via India tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C16) with fine information strike at left and "YATUNG - TIBET" transit (Hellrigl C15). India 1902 2 a. mauve and 1911 ½ a. green (Gi 125+149) applied for onward transmission and tied by "YATUNG (TIBET) / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (July 29) in black with further "BASE OFFICE" cds alongside (July 31). The two sides of the cover backed for protection and the 3 a. adhesive trimmed at top but a rare and attractive combination cover.
Provenance: Collection Major James Starr, Sotheby's, London, 13 Sept 1991, lot 889. C2+C6 ✉ **750**

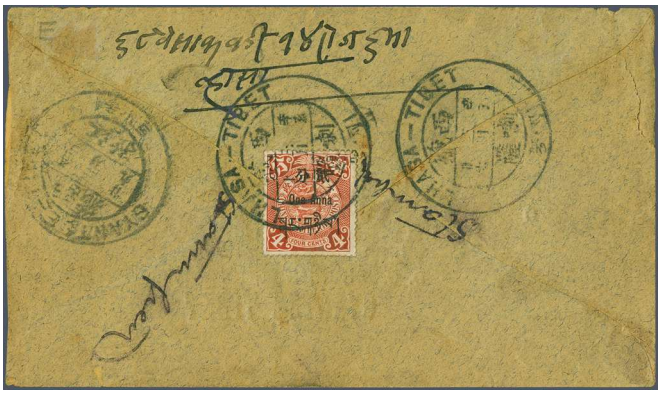


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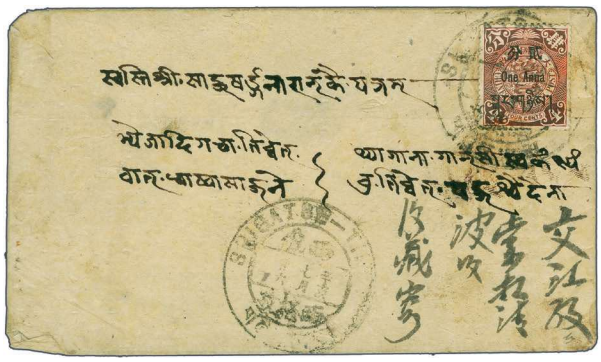


Rickshaws in Shanghai

6104 1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, three examples , and single 4 a. on 20 c. maroon, all used on 1911 registered combination cover to Shanghai, China via India, tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C16) with framed "LHASA" registration handstamp in black (Hellrigl C21) with "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl (C15) also on reverse. India 1902 4 a. olive and 1911 ½ a. green tied by "YATUNG-TIBER / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (Oct 20) and fine "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" registration label on reverse. Shanghai arrival (Nov 23). Despite small imperfections, a rare cover which displays well. A most attractive franking.
Provenance: Collection Major James Starr, Sotheby's, London, 13 Sept 1991, lot 897. C2+C7 ✉ **1'500**



6105



6107

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6105	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet used as seal on reverse of 1911 cover to Gyantse tied by "LHASA - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C12) with information strike alongside and "GYANTSE - TIBET" arrival datestamp (Hellrigl C14). Slight closed opening tear at one corner but a scarce and attractive cover. *Provenance: DF, Zurich, 16 Nov 1987, lot 42341.*	C3	✉	**350**



6106



6108

6106	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a single example used on reverse of 1911 cover bilingually adddressed to Lhasa, tied by circular "SHIGATSE - TIBET" datestamp (June 21) in black (Hellrigl C14) with further fine strike on obverse, "GYANTSE - TIBET" transit datestamp in black (Hellrigl C11) and "LHASA - TIBET" arrival datestamp (Hellrigl C12) in black struck on June 26th. Cover sensibly opened for Exhibit display, a rare and fine usage. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 23 July 1996, lot 574.*	C3	✉	**400**
6107	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a single example, slightly discoloured, used on obverse of 18 September 1911 cover adddressed to Gyantse, tied by circular "SHIGATSE - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C14) with information strike below. Reverse with three personal negative seals and "GYANTSE - TIBET" arrival (Hellrigl C11) in black. A rare cover. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec lot 190.*	C3	✉	**500**
6108	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet used as seal on reverse of 1911 cover to Lhasa tied by "SHIGATSE - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C14) with fainter information strike alongside and obverse with a further fine strike. A scarce and attractive cover that opens well for Exhibit display. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990, lot 1803.*	C3	✉	**500**



6109



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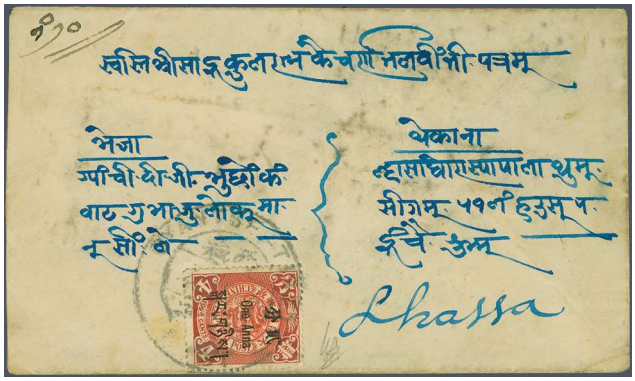
		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6109	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a single example, slightly discoloured, used on reverse of 1911 cover adddressed to Lhasa, tied by circular "GYANTSE - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C11) with further strike on obverse, "LHASA TIBET" arrival (Hellrigl C16) in black. A rare cover. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2252.*	C3	✉	**500**
6110	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a slightly discoloured used example on reverse of 1911 cover to Lhasa tied on despatch by "GYANTSE - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C11) overstruck by near perfect strike of the "LHASA TIBET" datestamp (Hellrigl C16) of arrival also repeated on obverse. A rare cover.	C3	✉	**500**



6111



Bazaar in Gyantse



6112

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6111	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a single example used on reverse of 1911 cover to Gyantse, tied by "SHIGATSE - TIBET" datestamp (Hellrigl C14) with further fine strike on obverse and Gyantse arrival on reverse. Slight dulling of the colour of the adhesive as usual; the cover sensibly opened for Exhibit display, a fine and rare cover.	C3	✉	**500**
6112	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a single example used on obverse of July 1911 cover addressed to Lhasa, tied by circular "GYANTSE - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C11) with "LHASA - TIBET" arrival (Hellrigl C12) in black. A rare cover. Signed Hellrigl. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec lot 196.*	C3	✉	**500**



6113



6114

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6113	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet and three examples of 2 a. on 7 c. carmine-lake, all used on 1911 registered cover to Shanghai, China via India, tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C16) and framed "LHASA" registration handstamp in black (Hellrigl C21). Fine "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" registration label on reverse with India 1911 ½ a. green tied by "Yatung Tibet / Via Silguri" cds (Sept 27) and further stamps missing. Shanghai arrival (Oct 23). Despite the fault, a rare cover with the obverse displaying well - whether the India stamps were purloined during the October 1911 revolution no one could know, however the obverse makes for a most attractive franking. *Provenance: Collection Major James Starr, Sotheby's, London, 13 Sept 1991, lot 893.*	C3+C4	✉	**400**
6114	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet and three examples of 2 a. on 7 c. carmine-lake, all used on 1911 registered cover to Shanghai, China, tied by "LHASA TIBET" datestamps in black (Hellrigl C16) with framed "LHASA" registration handstamp in black (Hellrigl C21) with "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamp in black also on reverse. Fine "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" registration label on reverse. Shanghai arrival (Nov 13). Despite small imperfections, a rare cover which displays well. Fault on one 7 c. adhesive but nevertheless a most attractive and scarce franking. *Provenance: Collection Major James Starr, Sotheby's, London, 13 Sept 1991, lot 899.*	C3+C4	✉	**400**



6115

6115	1 a. on 4 c. scarlet, a single and horizontal pair with single 6 a. on 30 c. vermilion used on 1911 registered cover front addressed to the Postmaster General in Peking, tied by "LHASA TIBET" circular datestamps (Hellrigl C16) with fine information strike and framed LHASA registration cachet (Hellrigl C21) at left. Passed to Indian Post Office for onward transmission, franked by 1906 ½ a. green and 1903 4 a. olive (Gi 149+128) tied by "YATUNG-TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds (Sept) in black with "YATUNG-TIBET / F.P.O. No. 70" registration label (Hellrigl B83) alongside. A scarce and attractive item. *Note: The Postmaster General of the Imperial Chinese Post at this date was the Frenchman, Alexandre Théophile Piry.*	C3+C8	(✉)	**500**



Tashi Lhumpo Monestary in Shigaste



6116



6118

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6116	2 a. on 7 c. crimson-lake, a single example, used on obverse of slightly soiled 1911 cover adddressed to Gyantse, tied by circular "SHIGATSE - TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C14) with further information strike alongside, with partial arrival on reverse. A very rare stamp on cover. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, Robson Lowe, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2253.*	C4	✉	**750**



6117



A street scene in Lhasa

6117	2½ a. on 10 c. dull blue and 3 a. on 16 c, olive-green, used on reverse of 1911 cover to Gyantse, tied by circular "LHASA TIBET" datestamp in black (Hellrigl C16) with information strike superbly struck at left, alongside framed LHASA registration handastamp and circular "AR" markings in black (Hellrigl C21+C33) and "GYANTSE - TIBET" arrival cds. An extremely rare cover. Signed Hellrigl, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec lot 199.*	C5+C6	✉	**1'500**
6118	6 a- on 30 c. vermilionm and 12 a. on 50 c. green used on 1911 registered Wilson cover to Birmingham tied by "YATUNG - TIBET" datestamps in black with framed "R / YATUNG" registration cachet and India 1902/11 2 a. mauve and 1906 1 a. carmine (Gi 125 + 150) tied by "YATUNG - TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" cds's (Oct 27) with handstamped registration label of same on reverse. London registered datestamp (Dec 15) in black. A fine and very scarce cover, sensibly opened for display.	C8+C9	✉	**500**

1912/59, Tibetan Local Government Post

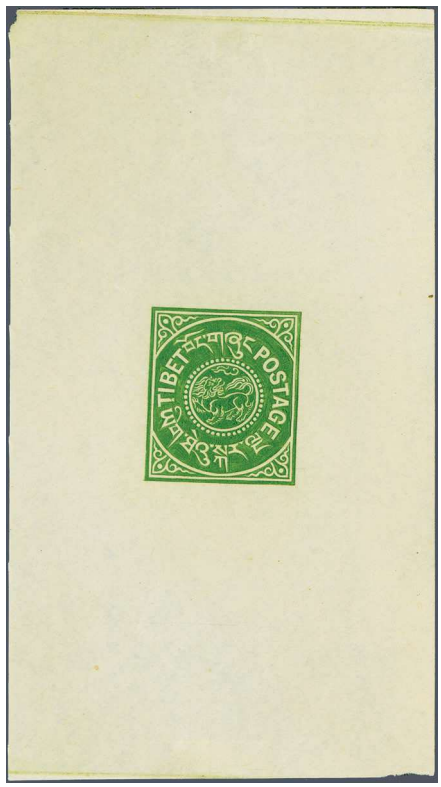
1912/50, First Issue - Stamps



13th Dalai Lama while in exile in Darjeeling



ex 6119

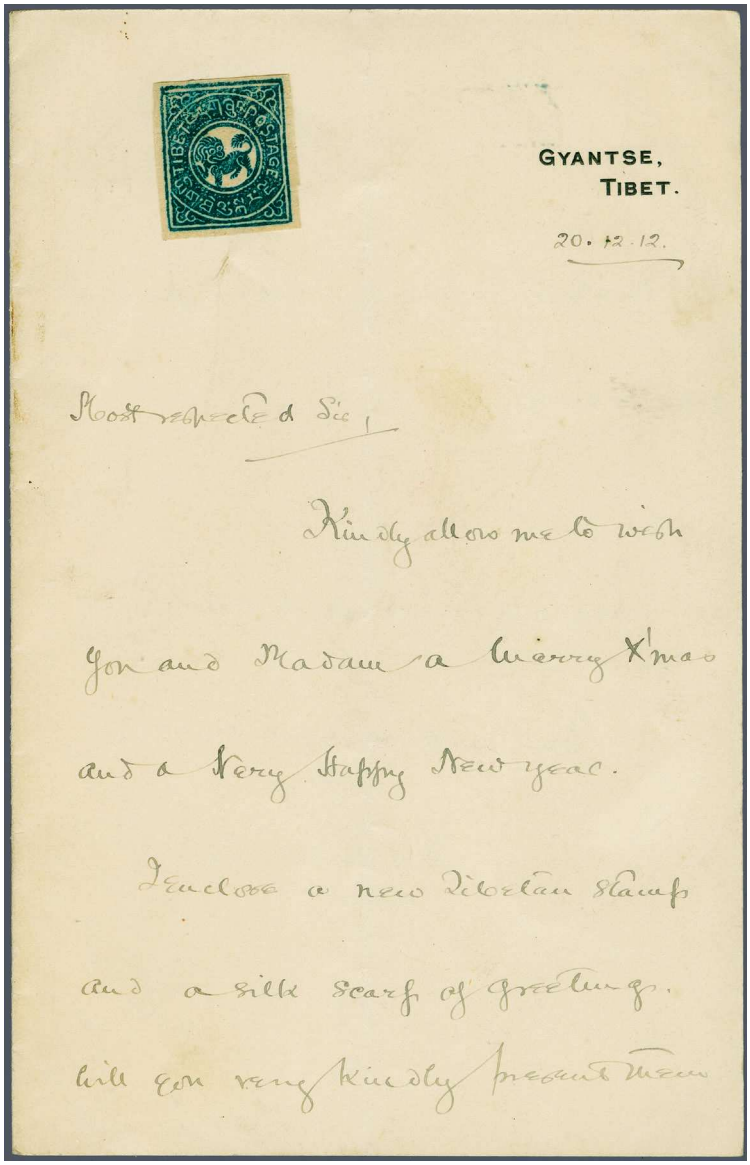


6120

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6119	1912: Waterlow Die Proof for proposed ⅓ trangka value, engraved and hand-painted in deep bright blue & white on thin white wove paper (61 x 100 mm.), prepared by Waterlow & Sons on instructions from the Dalai Lama whilst in exile in India, from a drawing made by one of his associates in exile, together with an 'albino' engraved impression of the Die on thin greyish wove paper (60 x 65 mm). Similar to the issued design, the Essay was not acceptable to the Tibetans probably on the grounds of expense. Beautiful and of great rarity Waterfall #2. *Note: This Essay was discovered in 1938 amongst the effects of a deceased overseas representative of Waterlow & Sons Ltd. and was prepared in the early months of 1912 prior to the Dalai Lama's return to Tibet. The design was based upon the current 1902-11 Edward VII issue of India with the corner spandrels copied from the issued 1 anna carmine and the King's head replaced by the Tibetan Lion in the vignette.* *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 216.*	2 Die Proof	(*)	**2'000**
6120	1912: Waterlow Die Proof for the ⅓ tr. value, beautifully struck impression engraved in deep bright green on thin white wove paper (56 x 100 mm.). A magnificent and very rare Proof.	2 Proof	(*)	**1'000**



Sonam Wangfel Laden (standing first at left) and Sir Charles Albert Bell (sitting 3rd from left) were both key British imperial figures who shaped diplomatic and cultural relations with Tibet in the early 20th century



6121

Gibbons — Start price in CHF

6121 1912: A letter to Sir Charles Bell written by S.W. Laden La from Gyantse (Dec 20) with Christmas and New Year good wishes stating *"I enclose a new Tibetan stamp and a silk scarf of greeting"*...the stamp applied to the top of the letter being an imperforate Proof of the ⅓ tr. value printed on thin paper in a suffused "myrtle green" shade - an apparently unique Colour Trial or Proof unlisted by Waterfall.
Note: Illustrated in "Tibet Stamps & Postal History" by Steve Chazen & Danny Wong on page 236.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 14 June 1990, lot 1145.

2 Proof — **1'000**

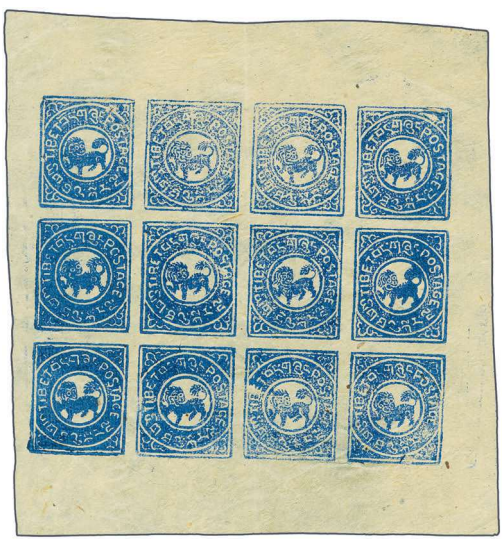


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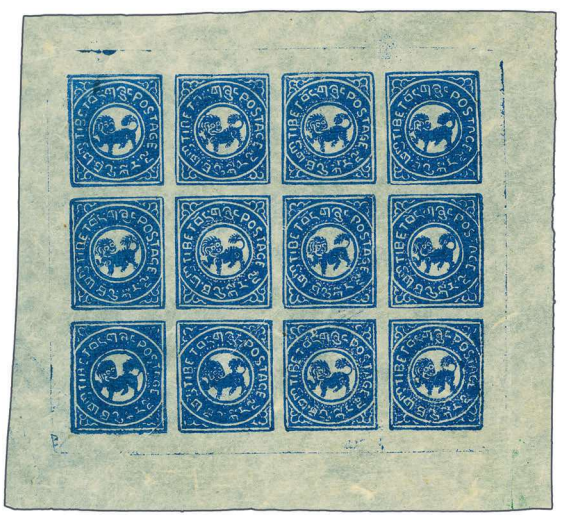


6123

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6122	1912/50: 1/6 tr. bright green in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on native wove paper, with large even margins all round the sheet, early clear printing showing the dryness of the print at top and the depth of colour more prevalent at base. A fine and scarce sheet, sold together with a vivid green block of six unused (pos. 1-2 / 5-6 / 9-10). *Note: The sheets of twelve stamps of the First Issue were printed from one wooden block (Waterfall) or metal block (Haverbeck) and thus plating the stamps is not as difficult as the 1933 issue where the clichés were removeable and thus could be altered and moved on the sheet. The paper is machine made of greatly varying thickness and quality. All Tibetan stamps of the early period were issued without gum. The 'inks' used were small tins of enamel paint spread on the woodblock, then the paper was placed on top of the block and rolled.* *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, RL, Basel, 23 March 1978.*	1A	⊞(*)	**300**
6123	1912/50: 1/6 tr. matte green in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on medium native wove paper, with good margins all round the sheet, of fine impression, from an early printing. A fine and scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall.*	1A	⊞(*)	**250**

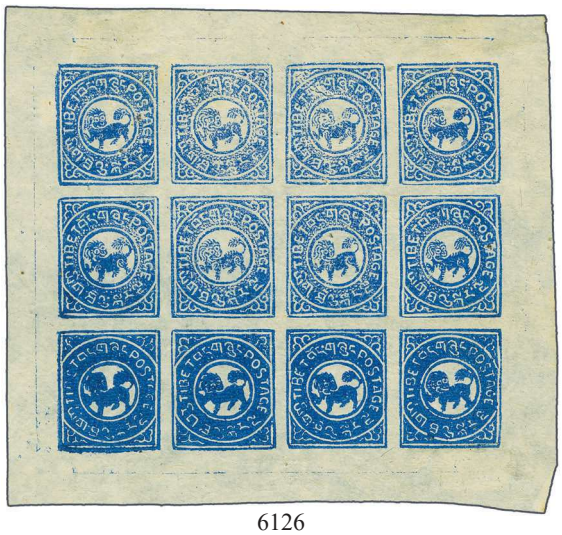


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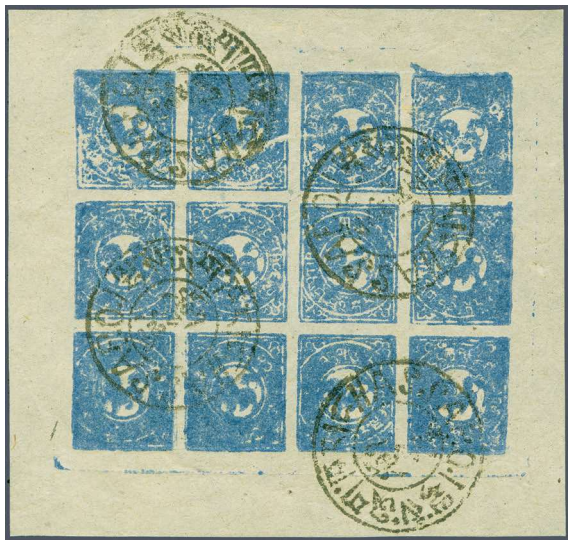


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6124	1912/50: ⅓ tr. blue in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on native wove paper, with large even margins all round the sheet, early clear printing showing the dryness of the print towards the right and great depth of colour on positions 5 and 9. A fine and scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Dr. William Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth, 5 June 1975, lot 1588.*	2A	⊞(*)	**300**
6125	1912/50: ⅓ tr. blue in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on very thin native wove paper, with large even margins all round the sheet and the edge of the block surround, an early clear printing showing a great depth of colour. A fine and very scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth 5 June 1975, lot 1587.*	2A	⊞(*)	**300**



6126



6127

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6126	1912/50: ⅓ tr. blue in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on native wove paper, with large even margins all round the sheet, early clear printing showing the dryness of the print at top and great depth of colour on positions 9-12. A fine and scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler. Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 March 1978.*	2A	⊞(*)	**300**
6127	1912/50: ⅓ tr. grey blue, the late printing, a complete used sheet of twelve subjects, rather over-inked, cancelled by circular "LHASSA P.O." bilingual handstamps (Hellrigl T14) in black. Scarce and fine sheet.	2Ab	⊞	**250**



6128



6129

6128	1912/50: ½ trangka violet, dull ink, a fine imperforate sheet of 12 subjects in a worn under-inked state, on coarse Chinese slightly buff paper with a partial off-set of colour (presumably from the sheet stored below) on reverse, vertical crease not affecting the frontal appearance, a very rare sheet. Signed Holcombe. *Provenance: Corinphila, Sale 202, Zurich, Nov 2015, lot 113.*	3A	⊞(*)	**250**
6129	1912/50: ½ tr. violet in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on medium native wove paper, with large even margins all round the sheet and the edge of the block surround (and one or two fingerprints on face and reverse), an early clear printing showing a vivid depth of colour. A fine and very scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth, 5 June 1975, lot 1592.*	3A	⊞(*)	**250**



6130



6131

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6130	1912: ⅔ tr. carmine, a fine complete sheet of twelve subjects, large margins all round, position 6 and 7 each showing the "POTSAGE" error, fresh and fine unused Gi = £ 500+.	4A+4Aa	⊞(*)	**250**
6131	1912/50: ⅔ tr. carmine in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on medium native wove paper, with good margins all round the sheet, positions 6 and 7 showing the POTSAGE error, a fine early clear printing showing a variety of colour depth - see the heaping of the ink on position 12. A fine and scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth 5 June 1975, lot 1595.*	4A+4Aa	⊞(*)	**250**



6132



6133

6132	1912/50: ⅔ tr. deep brown-red in an unused complete sheet of twelve subjects on medium native wove paper, with good margins all round the sheet, positions 6 and 7 showing the POTSAGE error, a fine and rich early printing somewhat overinked withe the Lion's feartures obscured. A fine and scarce sheet. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth 5 June 1975, lot 1597.*	4Ab	⊞(*)	**250**
6133	1912/23: ⅔ tr. deep lake, a fine complete sheet of twelve subjects, large margins all round, position 6 and 7 each showing the "POTSAGE" error, fresh and fine unused Gi = £ 500+.	4Ac+4Aca	⊞(*)	**200**

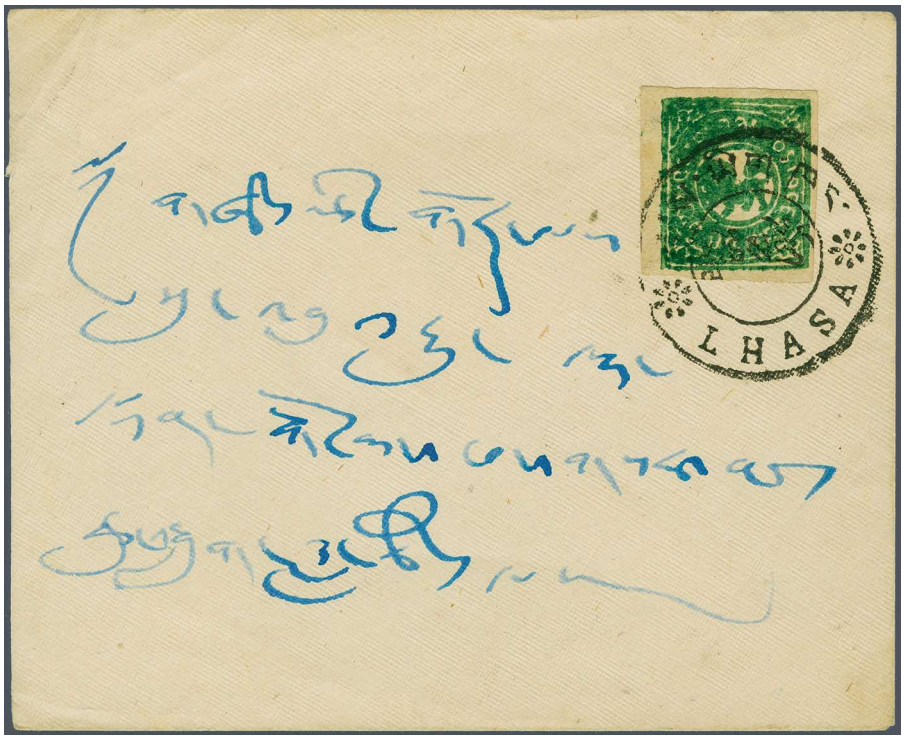


6134



ex 6135

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6134	1912/50: 1 tr. vermilion in an unused horizontal pair from top right of sheet, positions 3-4, on thickish laid paper, close to good sheet margins, variety "Double Impression" which must have occurred when the paper was shifted by hand. Closed marginal tear but a scarce and most unusual pair. *Provenance: Collection Dr. Stericker, Robson Lowe, Bournemouth 5 June 1975, lot 1602.*	5A var	(*)	**120**
6135	1912/23: 1 tr. vermilion, a fine unused complete sheet of twelve subjects, somewhat dried inking, large margins all round, together with four plated single examples on Exhibit page Gi = £ 480+.	5A	⊞*	**200**



ex 6136

6136	1912/50: 1 sang green, a fine unused example with even good margins all round, plus two covers, one sent registered bearing single frankings in a green and blue-green shade, both examples tied by circular bilingual LHASA postmark in black.	6A	✉	**150**

1912/50, First Issue - Covers



6137



6138

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6137 1912: 1/6 tr. green, imperforate, a fine four margin example used on cover to Gyantse, neatly tied by LHASA P.O. negative postmark, with fine strikes of "CHUSHU P.O." and "PELTI P.O." negative postmarks at left, reverse with circular negative "GYANTSE" arrival, all struck in black. Slight soiling but a fine cover showing four of the six postmarks known of this type (Hellrigl T1+T3+T4+T6).
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, ex lot 239. 1A ✉ **120**

6138 1/6 tr. bright yellow-green, a fine example used on locally addressed cover tied by circulasr bilingual "LHASA P.O." negative handstamp (Hellrigl T4) unusually struck in blue. 1Ab ✉ **120**



6139



6140

6139 1/6 tr. bright green a used example with large even margins all round on reverse of cover to Lhasa, tied by circular all Tibetan "SHIGATSE" ornamental despatch in black (Hellrigl T36), surrounded by transits of all Tibetan "PENAM" ornamental handstamp (Hellrigl T35), and negative postmarks of GYANTSE and PELTI all in black (Hellrigl T3 and T6). A scarce and fine cover that displays well. 1A ✉ **150**

6140 1/6 tr. green, a fine used example on bilingually addressed cover from Lhasa to Gyantse "*To be delivered to the Trade Agent Khenchung of Gyantse. This letter being very important, the Postal Authorities are requested to deliver it properly*", tied by circular negative "LHASA P.O." handstamp in violet, with "CHUSHU P.O." in blue and "PELTI P.O." in black alongside and, at base "NANGARTSE" in black (Hellrigl T4, T1, T6, T5) - being four of the six cancellations of this type utilised. Rare.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall, Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 Oct 1978, lot 2230. 1A ✉ **250**



6141

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6141 1/6 tr. green, a fine used example on cover from Lhasa to Gyantse tied by circular negative "LHASA P.O." handstamp, with "CHUSHU P.O." and "PELTI P.O." transits alongside "NANGARTSE" handstamp with arrival of "GYANTSE P.O." all in black (Hellrigl T4, T1, T6, T5, T3) - being five of the six cancellations of this type utilised. Small corner fault to envelope but rare.
Provenance: Köhler, Wiesbaden, 28 Sept 2005, lot 1027.
1A ✉ **250**





13th Dalai Lama

6142

6142 1/6 t. green in horizontal pair on oversized cover (31 x 14.5 cm), tied by bilingual LHASA handstamp on cover from the 13th Dalai Lama, closed by his seal (Dawson 6, Waterfall type 2, broken but intact), the cover sent via Gyantse to Pharjong.
1A ✉ **400**





Sir Charles Alfred Bell

6143

6143 1/6 tr. green, dry print, a horizontal strip of four with good margins all round used on circa 1920 cover from Thubten Gyatso, the 13th Dalai Lama to Sir Charles Alfred Bell, tied by bilingual "LHASSA P.O." circular handstamp (as Hellrigl T13) with superb impression of the Dalai Lama's red seal with circular black surround displaying well at base. A spectacular cover.
Provenance: Collection Clarkson G. Stevens, Harmers, New York, 25 Feb 1978, lot 2649.
1A ✉ **1'000**



Tsarong Dasang Dadul
(1888-1959)



6144

Gibbons

Start price in CHF

6144 1/6 tr. green, **a perforated block of four**, used on reverse of 1917 cover with coloured crest of the Master of the Mint Tsarong Shaphe, addressed to the manager of the Army & Navy Co-Operative Society in Calcutta tied by LHASA bilingul postmarks in black. Circular negative "NANGARTSE" handstamp of transit at left (Hellrigl T5) and obverse with endorsement *"Registered & Ack. Due"* in red manuscript (AR), franked by India 1902 4 a. olive tied by PHARIJONG cds in black for onward transmission. Registration label at left with sender's notation *"Khenrab La, Secretary to H.E the Tsharong Minister of Tibet, Lhassa"*. Typical soiling, with a further stamp missing below the extraordinary perforated multiple - Waterfall recorded six covers with this stamp and nothing larger than a pair, this is the largest recorded block and the major rarity of the first issue of Tibet. A rarity. Cert. BPA (1996) Gi = £ 4'000+ off cover.
Provenance: Sotheby's, London, 15 Dec 1995, lot 498.

1Aa ✉⊞ **2'000**



Sir Charles Alfred Bell

6145

6145 1922: 1/6 tr. olive-green and ⅓ tr. blue used on large circa 1916 cover from the 13th Dalai Lama in Lhasa to Charles Alfred Bell C.M.G., Political Officer in Sikkim, tied by circular "LHASSA P.O." bilingual handstamp in black (Hellrigl T13) with rare "PHARI" all Tibetan ornamental postmark superbly struck alongside (Hellrigl T34). Reverse with Tibetan language address translated above (possibly by the recipient who learnt Tibetan) stating *"Through Lhading, 4th rank (official) / Trade Agent -- and Gyantse"* with near complete 13th Dalai Lama's red powdered pigment on embossed black seal with black surround. A stunning and rare cover.
Note: Charles Alfred Bell C.M.G. received this honour in the New Year's honours list in January 1915, he resigned his post as Political Officer for Sikkim, Bhutan and Tibet in 1919, but was sent to Lhasa in 1920 as a special Ambassador. He was knighted in 1922 for his services on behalf of the British and Tibetan governments over the future boundaries of Tibet. Therefore this cover was probably sent in 1918 or 1919 prior to his journey to Lhasa in 1920.

1A+2A ✉ **1'500**



6146

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6146 1912/50: ⅓ tr. deep blue, a fine used example with clear to good margins all round, tied to small piece by circular "CHUSHU P.O." negative handstamp (Hellrigl T1) in black. Rare and very fine. Cert. G. Flack (2007).
Provenance: Collections Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20033. 2A △ **200**



6147

6147 1912: ⅓ tr. blue, a sheet marginal example used on cover to Gyantse tied by all Tibetan "SHIGATSE" ornamental postmark in black (Hellrigl T36) with circular bioligual "GYANTSE P.O." negative handstamp (Hellrigl T3) alongside of arrival. Faults to the address panel not greatly affecting the cover.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990, ex lot 1811. 2A ✉ **150**

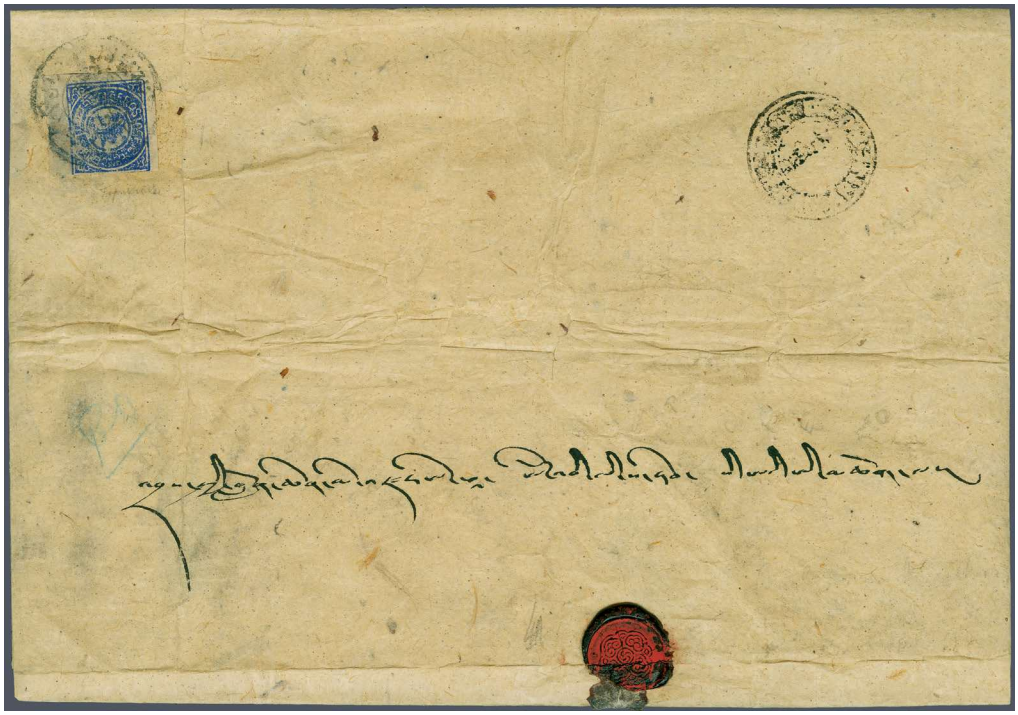


6148



David McDonald (sitting 3rd from left) with a Tibeten escort

6148 1912: ⅓ tr. deep blue, a fine used example on reverse of a large OHMS envelope bilingually addressed to *"The Changlo at Gyantse. To the Feet of the most learned, the great Trade Agent of Yatung and Gyantse, Mr. Macdonald / Sent from Lhasa by the Head of the Mohammeran Community, Khan Sahib, on the 6th of the double 5th month"*, tied by circular negative "LHASA P.O." handstamp, with "CHUSHU P.O." and "PELTI P.O." alongside and, on obverse "NANGARTSE" all in black (Hellrigl T4, T1, T6, T5) - being four of the six cancellations of this type utilised. Usual soiling but rare.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall, Robson Lowe, Basel, 27 Oct 1978, lot 2238. 2A ✉ **500**



6149



Prime Minister Lonchen Shatra Paljor Dorje

Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6149 1912: Large cover bearing 1912 ⅓ tr. deep bright blue, mailed from the Prime Minister Lonchen Shatra Paljor Dorje in Lhasa to Colonel Bailey in Gyantse, tied by circular bilingual despatch (Hellrigl Type V) handstamp in black with bilingual "NANGARTSE" transit handstamp (Hellrigl T5) in black at right on obverse. The cover bears a near complete impression of the Prime Minister's black wax seal at base powdered with red pigments. An extraordinary cover of great scarcity. Signed Hellrigl.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 213.

2A ✉ **1'000**



6150



Frederick M. Bailey

6150 1912: ⅓ t. blue, a horizontal pair on reverse of oversized registered cover (37 x 9 cm), tied by bilingual LHASA handstamp registration handstamp on front, sent via Nangartse and Gyantse and bilingually addressed to Major Bailey, the Political officer in Gangtok, Sikkim.
Note: The cover is addressed to Frederick Marshman Bailey (1882-1967), a well-known British officer, spy, and explorer. Fluent in Tibetan, he accompanied Francis Younghusband on the British invasion of Tibet in 1904. After the campaign, Bailey entered the diplomatic service and was stationed intermittently in Gyantse as the official British trade agent between 1905 and 1909, later (1921-1928), he served as the Political Officer for Sikkim and Tibet. In this capacity, he travelled to Tibet annually to inspect the trading agency in Gyantse.

2A ✉ **400**



6151



6152

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6151	1912/32: ½ tr. lilac, a fine example used on reverse of commercial cover tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE P.O." negative handstamp, somewhat smudged due to normal ink being unavailable and the residue being mixed with boot polish. Scarce cover.	3Ab	✉	**150**
6152	1912/33: ½ tr. purple, two single examples with 1933 1 tr. rose-orange in a vertical strip of three, used on cover to Shigatse, tied by circular bilingual GYANTSE handstamps in black (Hellrigl T41). A late usage of the ½ tr. but a most attractive mixed issue franking. *Provenance: Collection Edouard Berms.*	3Ac+11B	✉	**150**



13th Dalai Lama



Sir Charles Alfred Bell



6153

6153	1912: ⅔ tr. carmine, a single example with good margins, tied by "LHASSA P.O." circular handstamp (Hellrigl T15) in black to circa 1919 cover from Thubten Gyatso, the 13th Dalai Lama at the Potala Palace in Lhasa to Sir Charles Alfred Bell, with complete red wax seal (Type II) with black surround of the 13th Dalai Lama above. A delightful cover. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990, lot 1825.*	4A	✉	**500**



6154

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6154	1912: ⅔ t. carmine on oversized cover (32 x 9 cm), tied by bilingual LHASA handstamp on cover from the 13th Dalai Lama, closed by his still intact seal, red surrounded by black wax showing a crecent with point (Dawson 6).	4A	✉	**600**



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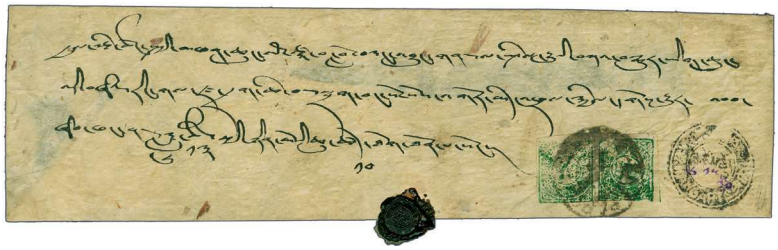
6156

6155	1912/32: ⅔ tr. red, a fine horizontal pair used on envelope with left hand stamp showing POTSAGE error (pos. 7-8) neatly tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE" negative handstamp (Hellrigl T3) in purple-brown ink with further strike on reverse. Annotations at left but scarce.	4Aa	✉	**100**
6156	1912: ⅔ tr. carmine-red, a corner marginal pair from lower left of sheet used on cover to Gyantse tied by circular bilingual "LHASA P.O." negative postmark, well struck in blue (Hellrigl T4). Obverse of cover shows a fine strike of negative "GYANTSE P.O." in violet. A most attractive usage. Signed Jaretzky. *Provenance: Collection Edouard Berms.*	4A	✉	**120**



6157

6157	1912/50: 1 sang green, a fine example of this elusive stamp with large margins all round, used on small piece tied by circular bilingual LHASA postmark in black. The reason for the issue of this stamp in 1950 still remains unclear.	6A	△	**100**



6158

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6158 1912: 1/6 tr. bright green, shiny enamel ink, a horizontal pair used on 1930 cover cancelled by circular bilingual LHASSA P.O. despatch in black, somewhat smudged, alongside circular bilingual "NANGARTSE" negative handstamp (Hellrigl T5) in black, most unusually (possibly uniquely) with the date written centrally in manuscript *"6 Juli 1930"* in violet ink. Rare. Signed Hellrigl.
Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 214. 1B ✉ **300**



6159



Prime Minister Lonchen Shatra Paljor Dorje

6159 1922: 1/6 tr. olive-green, shiny enamel print, a horizontal pair used on cover from the Prime Minister Lonchen Shatra Paljor Dorje in Lhasa to Nangartse tied by LHASA P.O. circular handstamp, somewhat unclear, with fine strike of negative circular "NANGARTSE" bilingual handstamp (Hellrigl T5) in black. Superb impression of the Prime Minister's red wax seal with floral design and swastika vignette surrounded in black at base. A rare and appealing cover.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 14 June 1990, lot 1149. 1B ✉ **750**



6160



Potala Palace in Lhasa

6160 1922: 1/6 tr. olive-green, shiny enamel print, a horizontal strip of four used on large cover from Thubten Gyatso, the 13th Dalai Lama at the Potala Palace in Lhasa, addressed to Sir Charles Alfred Bell and the adhesives poorly tied by circular "LHASSA P.O." bilingual handstamp in black with superb impression of the Dalai Lama's red wax seal with circular black surround at base. Rare.
Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990, lot 1826. 1B ✉ **600**



6161

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6161 1922: 1/6 tr. olive-green, enamel print, a single example and two vertical pairs used on reverse of cover from Lhasa to Gyantse, care of the British Postmaster (manuscript *"Please forward if left"*), with circular bilingual "NANGARTSE P.O." postmark of transit well struck at in black (Hellrigl T5). 1B ✉ **175**



6162

6162 1912/33: The first issue set of five values, all fine examples of good colour, used on 1930's cover, all neatly tied by circular bilingual "LHASA P.O." negative postmarks (Hellrigl T4) in blue. A most attractive usage.
Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler. 1A/5A ✉ **120**



6163

6163 1912/33: The first issue set of five values, all fine examples of good colour, used on 1914 cover to Calcutta, neatly tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE P.O." negative postmarks in black (Hellrigl T3), with reverse showing India 1902 3 p. grey pair and 1906 1 a. carmine pair (Gi 119+150) tied by "GYANTSE TIBET / SILIGURI BASE" cds's (March 3) in black with registration label adjacent. Calcutta arrival cds (March 9) also on reverse of a fine cover. 1A/5A ✉ **150**



6164



View of Penam between Shigatse and Gyantse

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6164	1912: The first issue set of five values all used on philatelic cover, all tied by by all-Tibetan circular handstamps of "PENAM" (Hellrigl T55) in black with information strike below. A fine cover and a very rare cancellation. Signed Hellrigl.	1A/5A	✉	**200**



6165

6165	1912: 1/6 tr. olive-green, 1/3 tr. cobalt-blue, ½ tr. dark violet, 2/3 tr. carmine-red, and 1 tr. red , tied by "LHASSA P.O." handstamp, Haverbeck type XIX, reverse with GYANTSE arrival markings in so-called boot-polish colour, cover from ca1925, although philatelic, still an important item.	1A-5A	✉	**200**



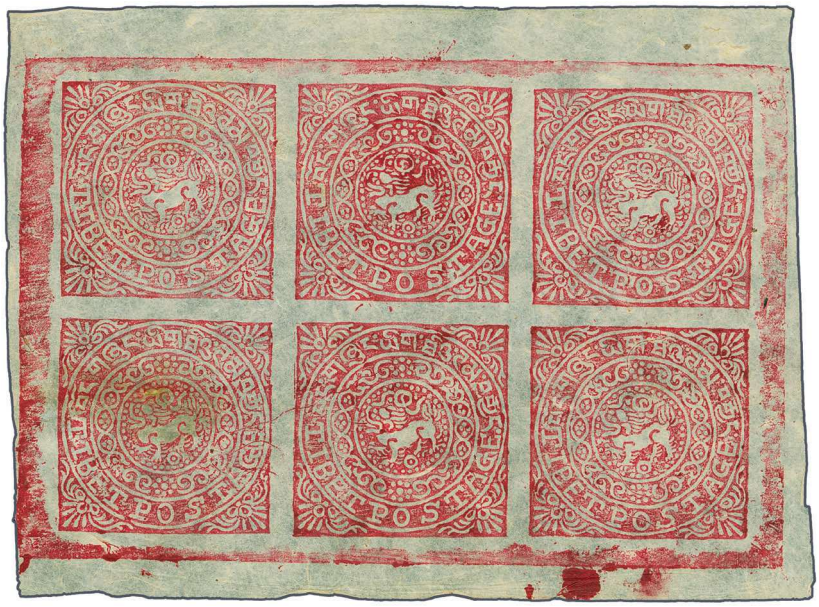
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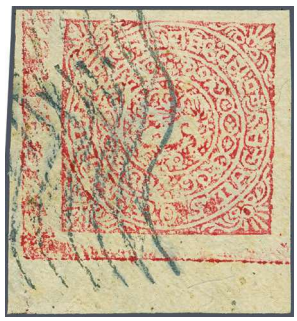
James Ludovic Lindsay, 26th Earl of Crawford

6166	**Tibet - Incoming Mail** 1922: Switzerland 40 c. ultramarine used on 1924 cover addressed to the Earl of Cawdor, care of Thomas Cook & Sons in Calcutta, tied by "Pontresina" cds (July 31). Readdressed upon arrival to the British Trade Agency in Gyantse, Tibet and backstamped at Calcutta (Aug 17) and by "GYANTSE / TIBET" cds (Aug 24) of arrival, both in black.		✉	**100**

1914, First Issue - High Value Stamps

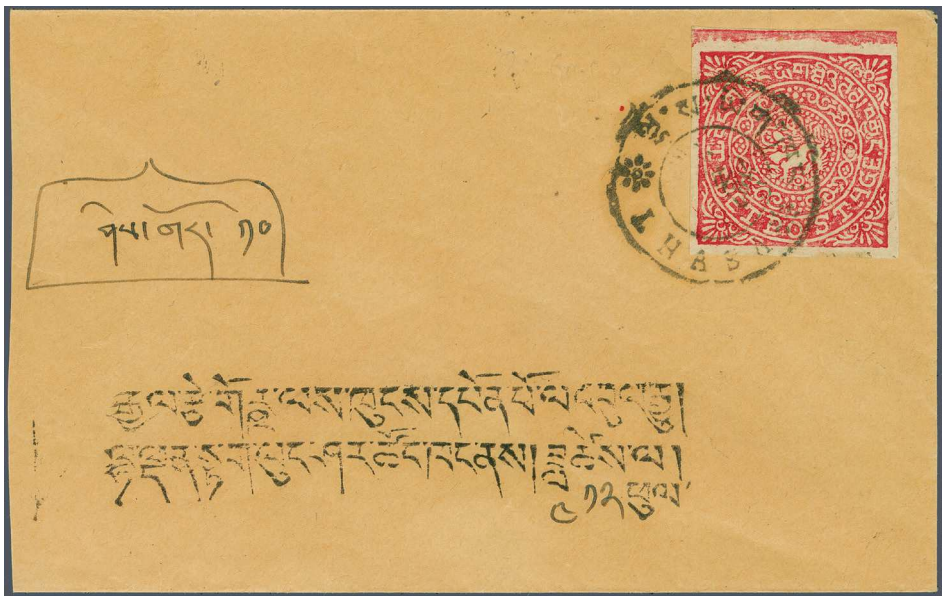


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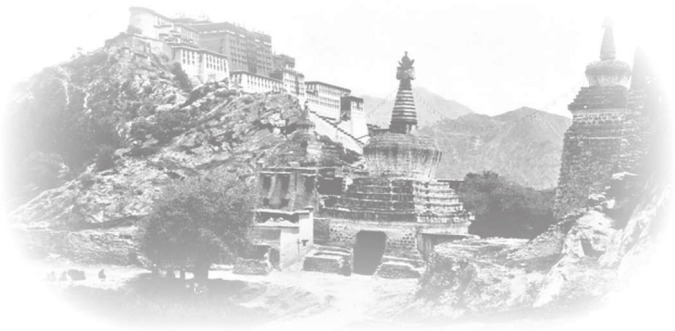
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		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6167	8 tr. carmine-pink, dull ink, a complete sheet of six subjects on wove greyish native paper with complete surround, some over-inking at base of sheet, fresh and very fine. Scarce. Signed Holcombe Gi = £ 450+. *Provenance: Collection Leo Martyn, collections Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20157.*	8Ab	⊞(*)	**400**
6168	8 tr. pink on medium native paper, a sheet corner marginal example (pos. 4) with large margins all round, cancelled by Telegraphic wavy lined handstamps in black. A fine and scarce genuine usage Gi = £ 150.	8Ab		**100**



6169

6169	8 tr. carmine-red (vermilion) on medium native paper, a sheet marginal example (pos. 2) with large margins all round, used on cover cancelled by circular bilingual LHASA handstamp in black. A fine and scarce usage Gi = £ 900. *Provenance: Collection Edouard Berms.*	8A	✉	**350**



Entrance to Lhasa



6170

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6170 8 tr. vermilion, a used horizontal pair from the top left corner of the sheet of six subjects (pos. 1-2), with large margins all round, tied to cover by circular bilingual "LHASSA P.O." handstamp in black (Hellrigl T15) with negative "GYANTSE P.O." handstamp below in deep black (the so-called 'boot polish' handstamp) below (Hellrigl T3). An extremely rare pair in the foremost quality Gi = £ 1'800.
Note: A very similar cover to that given to Lieutenant F.M. Bailey on a visit to Tibet. See Steve Chazen & Danny Wong "The Postal History of Tibet", illustration on page 253.
Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20163 8A ✉ **1'000**



6171

6171 4 tr. deep blue, shiny enamel paint, a fine unused example of this rarity (pos. 1) on the sheet of 6 subjects, imperforate on higher quality paper than the lower values, with a diagonally laid appearance on reverse, large even margins all round with slight heaping of the ink / paint at top left. A very rare stamp Gi = £ 2'500. 7B (*) **1'000**

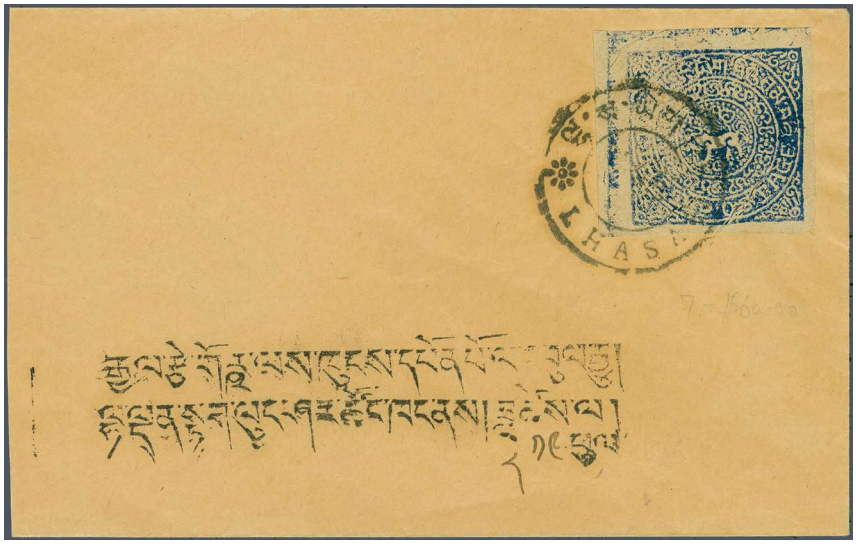


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6173

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6172	4 tr. deep indigo blue, enamel paint, a used example with ample to fine margins all round (pos. 5) but just touched at base, cancelled by large part circular handstamp in black. A rare stamp in used condition Gi = £ 1'300.	7Ba		**200**
6173	4 tr. deep indigo blue, enamel paint, a used example with ample to fine margins all round, cancelled by large part circular handstamp in black, creased diagonally but not affecting the appearance. A rare stamp in used condition Gi = £ 1'300.	7Ba		**250**



6174

6174	4 tr. deep blue, enamel paint, a used example (pos. 1) with large margins all round, tied to cover by circular bilingual "LHASA" handstamp in black, with handstamped directions below. A rare stamp on letter Gi = £ 1'600.	7B	✉	**400**



6175

6175	8 tr. carmine, shiny enamel paint, a fine unused example from lower left corner of the sheet (pos. 4), imperforate on thin native paper, with a hair adhered to the ink / paint on the Lion's head and another on T of POSTAGE at base, large even margins all round with manuscript '8' at base and heaping of the ink / paint in the left margin. A very rare stamp Gi = £ 1'800.	8B	(*)	**750**

1933/59, Second Issue - Stamps



6176

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6176	1933: ⅔ tr. deep dark blue, imperforate Proof sheet showing two examples (clichés 5 and 3) printed on thin native paper, of superb rich colour, extremely rare. Signed Hellrigll, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 300.*	10B Proof	(*)	**1'200**



6177



6178

6177	1933: Die Proofs (2) for the ⅔ tr. deep Prussian blue, printed on thin native wove paper; cliché 5 with huge margins on three sides and good at left, and cliché 3 showing fine margins and very large margin at top (not possible from the eventual printing), fresh and fine and extremely rare. Cert Olsson (2017). *Provenance: Collection Bo Olsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017.*	10B Proof	(*)	**500**
6178	1933: ⅔ tr. deep dark blue, imperforate Proof (cliché 3), with large margins all round, printed on thin native paper, of superb rich colour, extremely rare. Signed Hellrigll, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, ex lot 301.*	10B Proof	(*)	**500**



6179

6179	1933: 1 tr. lake, imperforate Proof sheet showing two examples (clichés 5 and 12) printed on thin native paper, slightest corner crease at top right well away from the Proofs, of superb vivid colour, extremely rare. Signed Hellrigll, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 302.*	11B Proof	(*)	**1'200**



6180

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6180	1933: Die Proof of the 1 tr. value showing two examples (clichés 5 and 12), struck in very deep lake on thin white wove paper with large margins all round, of superb clear impression, fresh and very fine. Rare - just three such Proof sheets are recorded. Cert. Olsson (2017). *Provenance: Collections Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20174.*	11B Die Proof	(*)	**1'200**



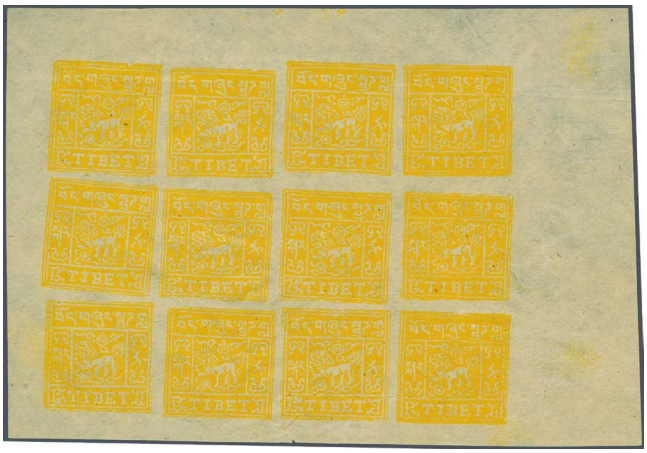
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6181	1933: 2 tr. scarlet, imperforate Proof sheet showing two examples (clichés 9 and 8) printed on slighty better quality native paper than the 1 trangka sheet, of superb vivid colour, extremely rare. Signed Hellrigll, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, lot 303.*	12B Proof	(*)	**1'200**

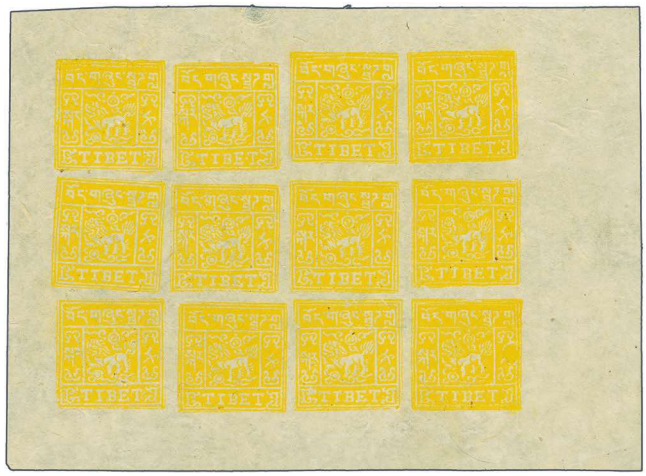


ex 6182

6182	1941/50: ½ tr. orange, Setting III, complete unused sheets (2), one in a bright shade of yellow-orange, the other in a deep brownish-yellow shade and printing obscured by colour, each on thick paper, generally fresh and very fine Gi = £ 430++.	9Bc/d	⊞(*)	**160**

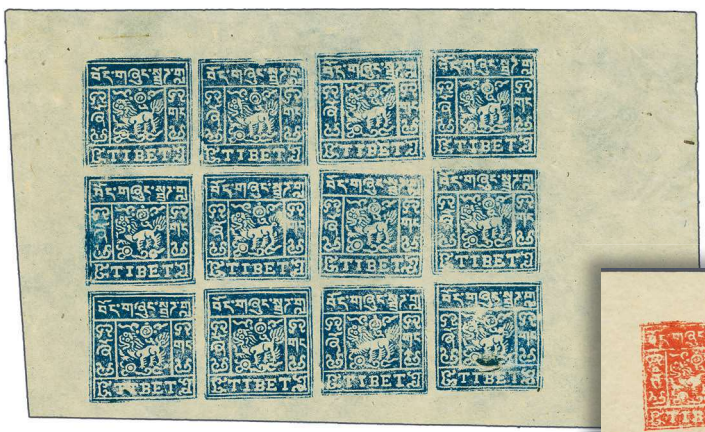


ex 6183



ex 6184

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6183	1950/59: ½ tr. lemon, late Setting IVa and IVb, complete unused sheets of each, one in a bright shade of yellow-orange, the other in a bright lemon shade and printing obscured by colour, on medium thin paper, fresh and very fine Gi = £ 430++.	9Bf+9Bf var	⊞(*)	**150**
6184	1950/59: ½ tr. lemon, late Setting IVc, complete unused sheets (2) one in a bright shade on medium thick paper, the other in a duller shade of yellowish-orange, minor bend or two of no significance and not affecting appearance, a fine pairing Gi = £ 430++.	9Bf	⊞(*)	**150**



ex 6185



ex 6186

6185	1942/59: ⅔ tr. blue (shades), complete unused sheets from Setting III with one in blue on thin paper, the other in a very deep indigo shade on thick paper; and a complete sheet from Setting IV in a pronounced greyish-blue shade on thin paper; all fresh and very fine Gi = £ 450++.	10B+10Bb	⊞(*)	**150**
6186	1948/53: 1 tr. red (shades), complete sheets of twelve unused (3) in differing shades, Setting III and IV with position 12 tipped, with a fine sheet in cinnamon shade on medium paper, a fine sheet in red on thick paper, and a further complete sheet together with a block of four in a paler rose-red shade on thick paper. A scarce group Gi = £ 640++.	11B	⊞(*)	**200**

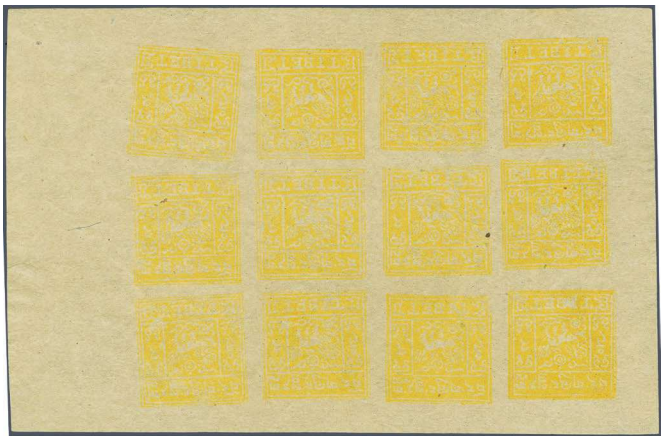


View of Phari



6187

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6187	1953(c): 1 t. dull yellow-orange from setting IIa, a lower marginal example tied by pristine Phari postal ink sale. A most attractive cancellation.	11Bb		**100**
6188	1933/59: 2 tr. red (numerous shades), complete sheets of twelve subjects (7) with Setting 1a sheet in scarlet on thick paper; Setting Ib in deep scarlet on thick paper and another on thin paper in a deep shde but with faults; Setting IIa sheets in orange and deep orange on medium thick paper - these all with position 1 showing flaw on "IB" of TIBET and position12 tipped; a further sheet from Setting IIb with position 12 corrected but position 1 flaw larger, printed in scarlet on thin paper; a generally fine and scarce group for the specialist Gi = £ 1'200++. *(Photo = www)*	12B	⊞(*)	**400**



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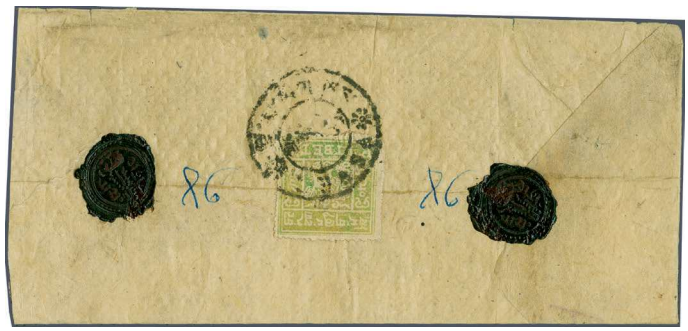
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6189	1933/58: Final printing 2 tr. 'Chinese' yellow, the unused complete sheet of twelve subjects, the so-called error of colour (the value was initially issued in scarlet), with setting reversal from IIb to IIa, the final printing of the issue. Rare. *Provenance: Collection Leo Martyn, collections Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20315.*	12Bf	⊞(*)	**500**
6190	1933/50: 4 trangka bright yellow-green, a fresh and fine unused imperforate sheet of 11 subjects (the cliché at position 4 missing), Setting 1c from the 1940-45 printing, fresh and very fine. Rare and most appealing sheet with the lower horizontal row showing extensive wear to the individual clichés. *Provenance: Corinphila, Sale 202, Zurich, Nov 2015, lot 116.*	13B var	⊞(*)	**250**
6191	1933/51: 4 tr. green (shades), the selection of complete unused sheets of twelve with a scarce Setting Id sheet with position 4 missing but manuscript *"4 tankas"* has been inserted in ink, Setting II sheets showing the newly cut position 12 with large TIBET legend, with two sheets in deep bright green on medium white paper, together with the Tony and Pat Wheeler pages (12) with two complete reconstructions fine used one on beautifully drawn album pages showing the differences in the clichés. A fine lot Gi = £ 650+. *(Photo = www)*	13Bc+13Bd var	⊞(*)	**250**

1933/59, Second Issue - Covers

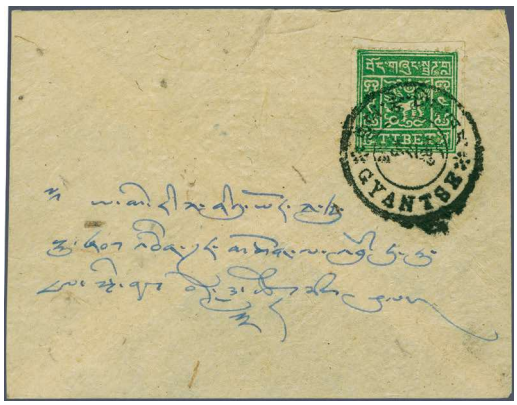


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6193

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6192	**Incoming Mail** 1955: Incoming airmail cover from Malang, Indonesia to Gyantse, Tibet franked at 155 sen rate (Oct 21), with all Chinese Yatung / Tibet transit cds on obverse in black (Oct 30). Reverse with Tibet 1933/50 1 tr. deep red and scarce use of rough perf. 2 tr. scarlet tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE" handstamp in black. Whilst paid at airmail rate, it is likely the cover travelled through India. Creases and small faults but most unusual.	12A+11B	✉	**150**
6193	1933/59: 4 tr. apple-green, a used example pin-perforated 8-9, used on reverse of registered commercial refolded cover and neatly tied by circular bilingual LHASA handstamp in black. Scarce and most appealing.	13A	✉	**140**



6194



6195

6194	1933/59: 4 tr. emerald green, pin-perforated 12, a scarce used example on cover, cancelled to order by circular bilingual GYANTSE postmark (Hellrigl T41) in black. Neat and attractive cover.	13A	✉	**150**
6195	1933/59: ½ tr. yellow-orange, Setting IV, two horizontal strips of four used on reverse of cover, cancelled by two full strikes of circular bilngual "LHASA" handstamps in black. An unusual multiple on letter. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler.*	9B	✉	**150**



Sven Hedin



6196



6197

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6196	1933/60: ½ tr. yellow-orange and ⅔ tr. deep blue tied to reverse of 1949 cover to Sven Hedin in Stockholm, Sweden ied by LHASA postmarks in black, franked for onward transmission with India 1940/43 ½ a. purple and 3 a. bright violet (Gi 266+271) tied by "PHARIJONG / DARJEELING" machine cancel (March 1). Opened sensibly for Exhibit display, an unusual cover.	9B+10B	✉	**100**
6197	1933: ⅔ tr. deep dark blue, imperforate Proof (cliché 5), with huge margins on three sides used on cover with ½ tr. ochre, 1 tr. lake, marginal 2 tr. scarlet and 4 tr. green all tied by circular LHASA handstamp in black (Hellrigl T42); addressed to Reading, Berkshire. Minor natural crease but very rare. Signed Hellrigl, Dr. Orth. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, ex lot 301.*	10B Proof	✉	**500**

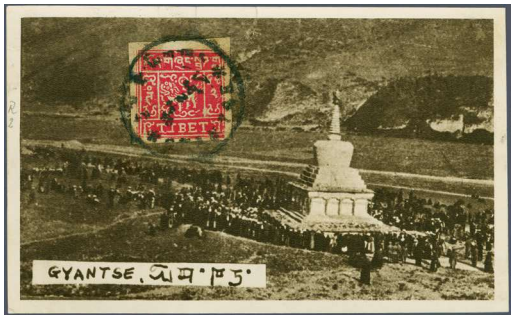


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6198	1933/59: Cover bearing the complete set of of the third issue, all used on cover to Lady Maconchie in London, with the ⅔ tr. deep blue being a Die Proof, all tied by "LHASSA P.O." datestamps in black. Exceptional with the Die Proof (cliché 3) exhibiting huge margins all round. Extremely rare.	10B Proof	✉	**750**
6199	1933/59: Cover bearing the complete set of of the third issue incl 4 tr. emerald being pin-perforated, all used on cover to a Mrs. Young in Devon, with the ⅔ tr. deep blue being a Die Proof, all tied by circular bilingual "LHASSA P.O." handstamps in black. Exceptional and rare with the Die Proof (cliché 3) exhibiting huge margins on three sides and ample at left. Extremely rare. Cert. Olsson (2017). *Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20172.*	10B Proof	✉	**750**

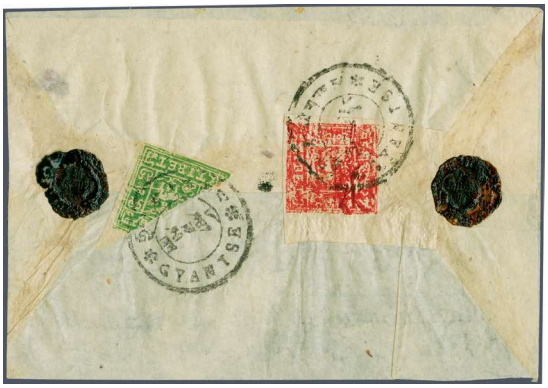


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6201

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6200	1933/59: 2 tr. scarlet, a fine large margined example neatly tied to picture-side of postcard by GYANTSE circular handstamp in black. A charming and most unusual usage.	12B	✉	**100**
6201	1933/59: 2 tr. orange-yellow, late printing just prior to the Tibetan Post being shut down, a fine four margin example used on reverse of 1955-56 cover to Phari with handstamped directional marking used as address (not listed by Hellrigl) in violet, tied by circular bilingual "SHIGATSE" despatch in black (Hellrigl T46). A rare stamp on letter. Cert. Bo Olsson (2017). *Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20471.*	12Bf	✉	**250**



6202



6203

6202	1933/59: 2 tr. pale red, a fine corner marginal example, used with diagonally bisected 4 tr. yellow-green, on reverse of registered cover to Ritalal Bahadur at the Nepalese Consulate Office in Shigatse to pay the 4 trangka registered rate (although mss. framed notations on obverse state "5 postage" and "registered"), cancelled by circular bilingual GYANTSE handstamps (Hellrigl T41) in black. A rare and fine usage. *Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20523.*	12B+13B var	✉	**350**
6203	1933/59: 4 tr. very pale apple-green in a pastel shade used with 2 tr. dull scarlet on cover the 2 tr. vertically bisected in order to pay the 5 tr. registered rate, tied by GYANTSE postmarks (Hellrigl T46) in black. A rare usage within the correct authorised period on a turned cover bearing a 4 tr. emerald. Most unusual and rare Gi = £ 1'000+. *Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 11 Dec 2017, lot 20496.*	12B aa+13Bb	✉	**400**



6204

6204	1933/59: 4 tr. dull greyish-green, a fine single example used on reverse of 1953/54 cover with vertically bisected 2 tr. red to pay the 5 tranka rate, each neatly tied by circular bilingual handstamps (Hellrigl T46) in black. A rare and fine usage Gi = £ 900. *Provenance: Collection Edouard Berms.*	12Bca+ 13Bd	✉	**250**

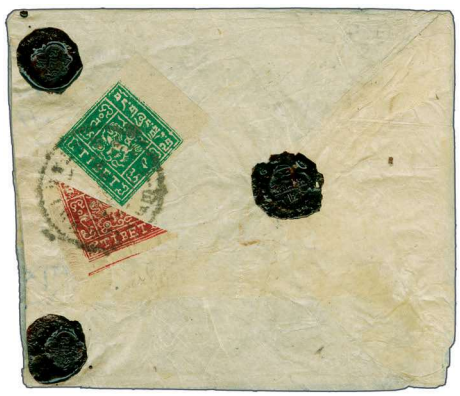


6205



ex 6206

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6205	1933/59: 2 tr. red, a fine horizontal pair from the lower right corner of the sheet, used with vertically bisected 2 tr. red, marginal from right of sheet on cover to pay the 5 trangka registered rate, cancelled by circular bilingual GYANTSE handstamps (Hellrigl T41) in black. A rare and fine usage Gi = £ 900. *Provenance: Collection Edouard Berms.*	12Bca	✉	**200**
6206	1933/59: Two registered covers, each franked with 4 tr. yellow-green and each with rare vertically bisected 2 tr. orange, tied by neat circular bilingual GYANTSE handstamps (Hellrigl T41) in black: the bisects being respectively, the left and right half of the same stamp. In 1953/55 1 trangka stamps were exhausted and authorisation for bisecting the 2 trangka and 4 trangka was given. A rare and most attractive pair Gi = £ 1'800. *Provenance: Collection Edouard Berms.*	12Bca	✉	**400**



6207



6208

6207	1933/59: 4 r. rich emerald green, a fine top marginal single example used with diagonally bisected 2 r. deep lake-red on registered Sept 1955 cover addressed to the Nepalese Consul, Ritalal Bahadur in Shigatse tied by GYANTSE postmark (Hellrigl T41) in black. Attractive and rare provisional usage Gi = £ 900+. *Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 11 Dec 2017, lot 20472.*	12Bda+13B	✉	**350**
6208	1933/59: 4 tr. pale emerald-green, a single example used on cover to the Nepalese Legation in Lhasa tied by neat strike of circular all-Tibetan "MEDAGONKUR" handstamp in black (Hellrigl T53). Superb and rare. Signed Dr. Orth.	13B	✉	**100**

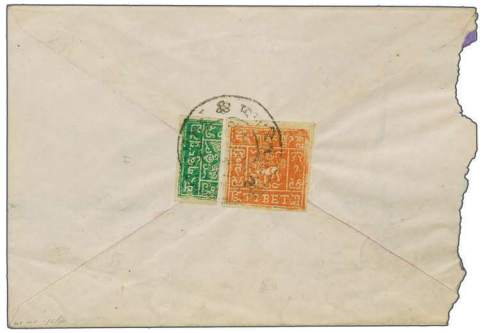


6209

6209	1933/51: 4 tr. bright emerald green, position 8 with fault on "B" of TIBET, a used example on registered cover with huge margins all round being from the top right corner of the sheet - including the missing cliché 4 above, tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE" handstamp (Hellrigl T41) in black. Most unusual to find the missing cliché on letter - this and the next lot are the first examples this describer has seen.	13B	✉	**150**



6210



6211

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6210 1933/51: 4 tr. bright emerald green, position 8 with fault on "B" of TIBET, a used example on registered cover with huge margins all round being from the top right corner of the sheet - including the missing cliché 4 above, tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE" handstamp (Hellrigl T41) in black. Most unusual to find the missing cliché on letter - this and the previous lot are the first examples this describer has seen. *Provenance: Collection "Everest", Harmers, London, 20 Dec 1995, ex lot 336.* 13B ✉ **150**

6211 1933/59: 1 tr. orange with even margins all round with 4 tr. dull green, vertically bisected, used on reverse of cover to pay the 3 trangka rate, neatly tied by circular bilingual "PHARI" postmark in black. Envelope roughly opned at right but rare. 13Bd var + 11Bb ✉ **250**



ex 6212



6214

6212 1933/59: Covers (2), each franked by the complete set of five values and each addressed to Lhasa, one cover cancelled by all-Tibetan circular handstamps of "GYAMDA" (Hellrigl T52) and the other cancelled by "MEDAGONKUR" handstamps in black (Hellrigl T53). Philatelic but very fine, both exhibiting very rarely found cancellations. 9B/13B ✉ **150**

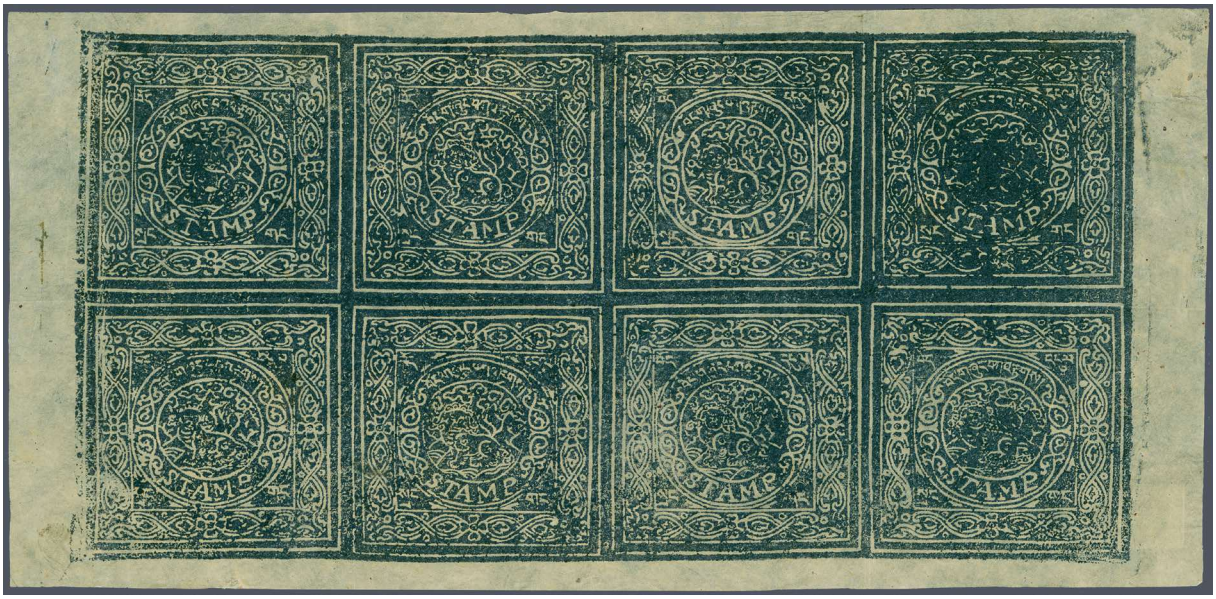


6213

6213 1933/59: The complete set of five values used on obverse of cover all cancelled by circular all Tibetan handstamps of "DECHEN" in black (Hellrigl T51), the reverse with wonderful strikes of CHOMORAK, DECHEN, GYAMDA and MEDAGONKUR of the same type all in black (Hellrigl (T50 - T53) with bilingual LHASA adjacent, superb.
Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler, RL, Basel, 23 March 1979, lot 2557. 9B/13B ✉ **200**

6214 1933: ½ tr. bistre, ⅔ tr. dark indigo, 1 tr. vermilion, 2 tr. scarlet and 4 tr. yellow-green, all used on 1944 cover to Sir Charles Alfred Bell in Canada, tied by bilingual "PHARI" circular handstamp (Hellrigl T44) in black. Reverse with India 1941 3½ bright blue tied by fine PHARIJONG cds (Oct 17). Reseal Censor at left and manuscript notation of arrival *"7/3/45"* on obverse. A fine and unusual usage.
P*rovenance: Christie's, London, 14 June 1990, lot 1147.* 9B/13B ✉ **250**

Officials & Telegraph Stamps



6215

		Gibbons	Start price in CHF
6215	**Official stamps** 1945: 1 s. deep gray blue (Chan TO5, Scott O5), complete sheet of eight with full margins, without gum as issued.	⊞*	**250**
6216	1950: The collection on leaves with a fine range including the initial set of five values 1 karmanga (⅓ tr.) deep yellow-brown, 2 khakhang (⅓ tr.). black single and block of four (one stamp showing the lower left corner with error of inscription) and further blocks of six and nine from the sheets of twelve subjects, 1 shokang (⅔ tr.) red-brown single and rare complete sheet of twelve, 2 s. greenish-brown and the large 1 sang black with an unused single, vertical pair and a complete sheet of eight; together with a philatelic cover bearing four values cancelled in Lhasa. A fine and scarce group (12 items). *Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990, ex lot 1823.* *(Photo = www)*	⊞	**200**
6217	**Wireless Telegraph Stamps** 1950: The collection on leaves with unused blocks of four of the 1 sang yellow, 1 s. purple, 5 s. grey-green, 10 s. blue and the rare 25 s. scarlet, all with large margins all round, an unused single set of the five values and three values used on receipt envelope cancelled by wavy lined handstamp in black. A scarce group. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 29 Nov 1990, ex lot 1823.* *(Photo = www)*	⊞	**200**
6218	Official and Telegraph stamps; 1949/52: Group of 1952 Official stamps incl. among others unused examples in multiples with two half sheets of six examples of the ⅓ tr. grey-black, a full sheet of 12 of the ⅔ tr. brown, a part sheet of six examples of the 1⅓ tr. olive, and a full sheet of eight examples of the 1 sang grey. In addition, a group of six mostly incoming covers to Tibet of philatelic nature, three from the Tuladhar correspondence, where the Tibetan part was paid partly with official stamps. Finally a group of 1949/50 Telegraph stamps, three of the four values in sheetlets of four, cancelled with wavy lines, partially on piece. *(Photo = www)*		**400**

1902/50, Sven Hedin Correspondence

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6219 1902/07: Group of four registered covers from Sven Hedin whilst resting in India in-between his explorations in Chinese Turkestan (Xinjiang) and his travels through Tibet; all four covers are mailed to Hedin's father Ludwig Hedin in Stockholm, Sweden with 1902 covers (2) from Calcutta at 7 annas rate but with differing frankings, 1906 illustrated envelope of the Taj Mahal Palace Hotel, Bombay and franked at 2½ annas on reverse and a fourth cover at same rate used from the "Viceroy's Camp" with neat strike of the registration handstamp above. A generally fine and unusual group. *(Photo = www)* ✉ **250**

6220 1927: Hedin Scientific Expedition, three postcards all addressed to Fru Abalia Hummel in Stockholm, Sweden written from Mongolia and mailed in China from Manchouli, all three franked by Russian adhesives which have all been marked as unaccepted, all three cards bearing very large "T" marking (33 mm. in height) struck in black alongside "MANCHOULI" cds's in black. Sold together with a b&w postcard of Hedin, an unusual and scarce group. *(Photo = www)* ✉ **180**



Sven Hedin in Xinjiang



6221

6221 1932 (June 3): North West Scientific Expedition set of four values complete in pairs, all used on 1933 registered cover from in Peking to Sweden tied by PEIPING cds's in black, with reverse (signed by Sven Hedin) showing Martyrs issue 10 c. purple and 15 c. deep blue-green similarly tied. Shanghai transit cds (Feb 14) and Stockholm arrival cds (March 23). Slight staining from the glue used for the registration label but multiples of this issue on letter are rare. 406/409 ✉ **300**



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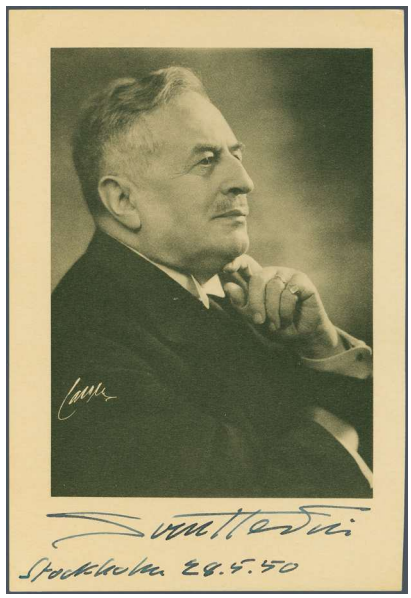


ex 6223

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6222	1932 (June 3): North West Scientific Expedition set of four values complete, all in unused blocks of four, fresh and very fine but slightly weak folds across central perfs., superb og. with lower pairs unmounted og. Scarce - these were initially sold in single sets only Scott 307/310 = $ 720+ / Gi = £ 1'400.	406/409	⊞*/**	**300**
6223	1932 (June 3): North West Scientific Expedition set of four values complete, all in unused sheet marginal imprint blocks of six from top of sheet, fresh and very fine but slight gum wrinkle on 4 c. multiple, superb unmounted og. Scarce - these were initially sold in single sets only Scott 307/310 = $ 1'080+ / Gi = £ 2'100. *Note: Just 25'000 sets were printed and 20'500 were for sale at $5 to fund the Expedition (although many were eventually sold in bulk to the collector and friend of Hedin, Karl Lagerloef). Originally these sets were to be sold in single sets only, multiples are relatively scarce.*	406/409	⊞**	**500**



ex 6224



ex 6225

6224	1932 (June 3): North West Scientific Expedition, the set of four values complete with unused and used sets, the unused set with full unmounted og., together with a registered 1933 cover from Peking, signed on reverse by Sven Hedin alongside Martyr issue 30 c. purple, and addressed to his daughter Alma Hedin in Sweden - this last with some aging around the adhesives. A scarce group Scott 307/310 = $ 900+ / Gi = £ 1'000+.	406/409	✉**	**350**
6225	1950 (May 28): Cover from Sweden to USA franked at 45 ö. rate, a reply to a request for the China 1932 North West Scientific Expdition set, with black & white picture of Hedin on card signed at base *"Sven Hedin, Stockholm 28.5.50"* and a card stating that the remaining sets of the issue had been handed over to Hans Lagerloef and giving that famous collector's address in New York.		✉	**100**

1922, Mount Everest Expedition & 1933, Mount Everest Flight



ex 6226

Gibbons

Start price in CHF

6226 **Mount Everest Expedition** 1922: The complete set of 6 postcards, #1 The Monastery at Shekar, #2 Camp at 22'000 feet on the North Col, #3 Mt. Everest from Rongbuk Monastery, #4 The Grand Lama of Rongbuk, with #5 showing Major Norton and Mallory at 27'000 feet; #6 showing the entire team of thirteen organisers and climbers. Scarce and very fine. ✉ **150**



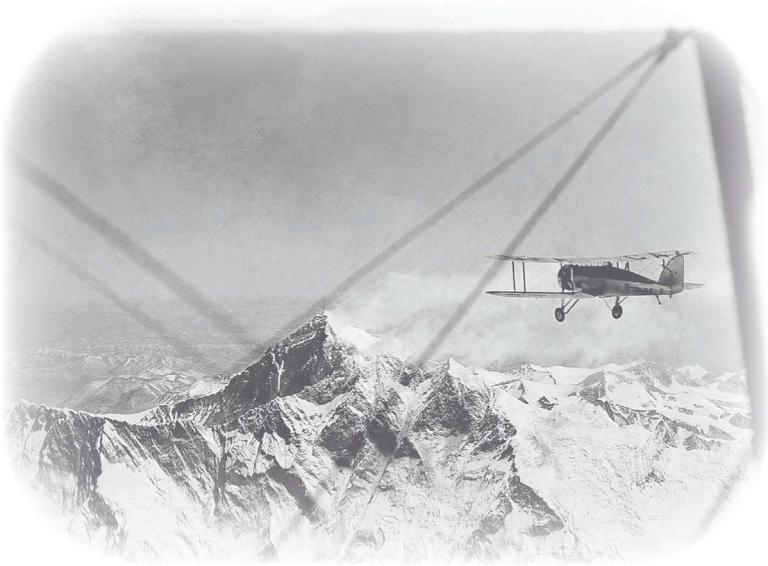
6227



A member of the 1924 expedition explores the ice pinnacles of Rongbuk Glacier

6227 1924: Expedition postcard franked by India ½ a. green and 1 a. chocolate wih perforated Expedition blue label, the adhesives cancelled by "YATUNG TIBET / VIA SILIGURI" in black; the Expedition label tied by "Rongbuk / Glacier / Base / Camp" circular cachet in black with, alongside the extremely rare "EVEREST EXPEDITION / RONGBUK GLACIER / MAIN / BASE CAMP / 17'000 ft." in grey (Waterfall IIc), the card itself signed by Noel on the viewside with arrival in Croydon (Aug 5) - in other words before most of the "Noel" cards had even been sent. Extremely rare - Waterfall records four examples of this handstamp, and just one on cover. Minor soiling but of great rarity. Cert. Bo Olsson (2016).
Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20564. 155+197 ✉ **1'200**

6228 1924: Expedition Collection on leaves with Expedition blue labels (11) and two complete unused sheets of 36 (very rare, some splitting but generally fine), Expedition cards sent by Noel with Everest label tied by "Rongbuk / Glacier / Base / Camp" in red (Waterfall IIa) mailed from Darjeeling (5, three differing frankings) sent on August 18th; further similar cards sent from Calcutta (2); further very rare example with the label cancelled by the cachet in black; cover franked India 1 a. (2) and Expedition label tied by handstamp with "Tibet" across vignette (Waterfall IIb) and stamps cancelled at Yatung, block of four of the labels cancelled with same device in black and two usages on piece. A few small faults but a generally fine group (19 items). *(Photo = www)* ✉⊞ **1'500**



Mount Everest Flight in 1933



ex 6229



Pilot Lord Clydesdale



Stephen H. Smith

Gibbons **Start price in CHF**

6229→ **Mount Everest Flight** 1933 (April 8): Purnea - Mount Everest Flight 'flimsy' with illustrated Union Jack and "The Houston - Mt. Everest Expdtn.", handstruck framed "PURNEA JUNCTION" in black with Junction deleted in blue manuscript, with mss. *"Mt. Everest Fliers Base"*, struck with large circular cachet with "Mount Everest Expdtn / 1933 / Par Avion - By Air - Correo Aereo" cachet in violet, signed by both Lord Clydesdale and Stephen H. Smith at Purnea Railway Station, April 8th 1933; together with House of Commons envelope also signed by Lord Clydesdale and small piece bearing India 1 a. tied by "Houston Mount Everest Flight / 21 Apr. 33 / Purnea" cachet in blue. A charming group.
Provenance: Grosvenor, London, 20 Nov 2014, lot 3255. ✉ **300**

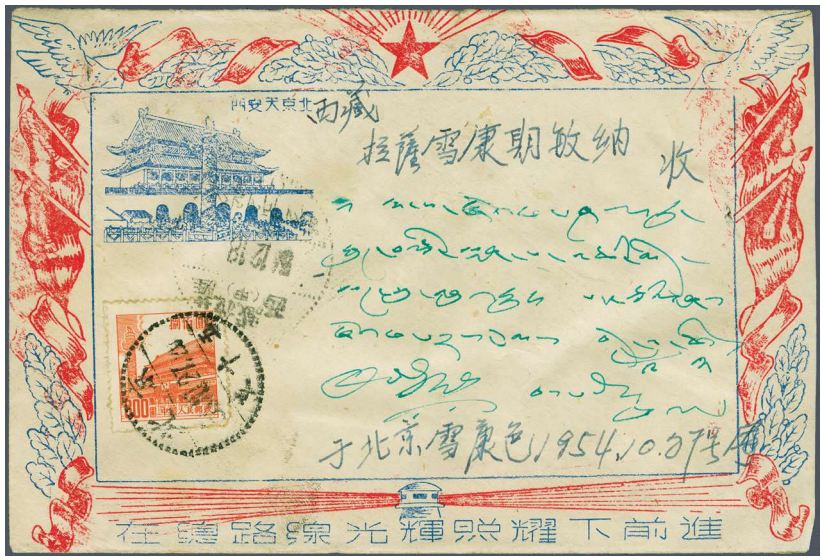
Chinese People's Post



6230

Gibbons Start price in CHF

6230 1952: Chinese Liberation of Tibet. Bronze Medal with red ribbon showing Mao, Flag and Star and Map of Tibet, in honour of the Liberation of Tibet (in Chinese and Tibetan) inscription on the reverse "South West Military Region 1 August 1952", presented to Soldiers who participated in the 'Liberation' of Tibet, fine and scarce.
Provenance: Collection Geoffrey Flack
Collections Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20569. **350**



6231

6231✈ **China & Tibet Combination Cover** 1954: PRC illustrated envelope bilingually addressed from Peking to Shigatse, Tibet franked by Heavenly Gate 1954 800 f. orange (Gi 1622) tied by Peking cds in black. The adhesive further overstruck by LHASA arrival cds (an eight day journey suggests this cover was an airmail cover - the Lhasa airport had been built by China and opened in 1954). Reverse with Tibet 1933/59 1 tr. scarlet-red and 2 tr. dull yellow-orange tied by circular bilngual SHIGATSE arrival in black. An extraordinary combination usage. Cert. Olsson (2016).
Provenance: Collection Olsson & Larsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20425. 11B+12B ✉ **1'000**



Post Office in Lhasa



6232

Gibbons

Start price in CHF

6232 **Tibet - Incoming Mail** 1956 (Oct 19): Incoming registered cover from Macau to the Pa-Mo Post Office in Tibet, franked on reverse for 44 avos rate with 1951 2 a. sepia & olive (2) and 1956 Map 40 a. (Gi 440+475); received in Lhasa with Chinese cds (Dec 3) and struck with three framed cachets "Returned Letter Stamp" in blue on obverse and further strike on reverse. Signed by the Lhasa Postmaster Chio Pat Tsung and returned to sender (Jan 2, 1957) in Macau. Described in Waterfall's "Postal History of Tibet" (1981) on pages 64-65. An extraordinary cover.
Provenance: Collection Arnold C. Waterfall; Spink, Hong Kong, 13 Jan 2013, lot 2392. ✉ **750**

Lots & Collections

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6233	**First Issue Stamps** 1912/50: Lot used / unused stamps, incl 1912 1/6 tr. green unused (5), used (18) with full sheet of 12 cancelled by wavy lines, corner block of four with LHASA intaglio handstamp, cover with single franking tied by GYANTSE intaglio handstamp; 1933 Proofs 2/3 tr. blue, four single stamps from the Proof sheetlet of two, three unused, one tied to piece; also forgeries of both issues marked as such. *(Photo = www)*	1A/10B Proof		**200**
6234	1933/56: Extensive lot of complete sheets of this issue, primarily unused, incl. ½ tr. yellow-orange, seven sheets, one with private perforation, 2/3 tr. deep blue, eleven sheets, two of them pin-perforated, 1 tr. rose-lake, five sheets, one with private perforation, 2 tr. scarlet, eleven sheets, one pin-perforated, two cancelled-to-order in SHIGATSE, and 4 tr. green, six sheets. In total 40 sheets, an interesting group with shade and settings interest. *(Photo = www)*	9B/13B	(*)	**750**
6235	1933/59: Comprehensive, detailed and attractive Reference Collection of the 1933 issue, collected in great depth according to the different settings with ½ t. in different shades of orange, yellow, ochre & bistre, the first settings perforated and imperforated, setting IIa in a rare used block of four cancelled at Lhasa, setting III in the rare shade yellow-ochre, a vertical strip of three from Penam, setting IVa in a block of 4 from Lhasa, settings III in greenish-yellow, IVa and IVb in a complete unused sheets of 12; 2/3 t. in different shades of blue, ultramarine, or sought-after indigo shades with the blue adhesives from setting I again perforated and imperforated, part sheets, full sheets of 12 from settings III & IVa unused, the late setting IVd, a rare late philatelic printing, CTO in Lhasa, cert. Olsson; 1 tr. in different shades of carmine, rose, pink, scarlet and orange incl. setting I perforated, scarce deep lake shade on combination part cover with India 1½ a,, opinion Flack, cover with 1 t. scarlet from Phari, a block of four 1 t. carmine-rose cancelled in Lhasa, two cover with two singles of the 1 t. in different shades, two covers with pair, a presumably registered cover without registration markings bearing strip of three 1 t., three complete sheets of 12 from settings III & IV; 2 t. in different shades of carmine, scarlet, rose, pink & orange with used dark-brick red example, sheet of 12 examples of dull-salmon, pair on registered cover with rare registration handstamp, rare pair deep orange-cinober on registered cover, also the later orange shades used / unused; 4 t. in different rare shades such as olive-green or dark bottle-green, also the group of late printings from the 1950's. An extraordinary offer, rarely seen in this quality and quantity. *Provenance: Collection Olsson, DF, Geneva, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20536.* *(Photo = www)*	9B/13B		**4'000**
6236	**Official mail**; 1845/1930c: Group 14 covers and documents; incl. among others 1845/1904 three letters from the Chinese Ambassador in Lhasa to the King of Nepal in Kathmandu, both with large red Amban Seal; letter from the 13th Dalai Lama with large and small red seal; 1912 shirt letter from the Tibetan Cabinet to the British Authorities thanking them for their support, written six days after the Tibetan-Chinese peace agreement; 1920c letter from the 9th Panchen Lama to the King of Nepal; 1909 I-Chan Courrier Servive Envelope prior to the opening of the Chinese P.P. in 1910; 1924/38 two covers with hand-coloured crest of Tsarong Shape; further a selection of ink seals and crests. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**1'000**
6237	Selection of eight official covers, incl. among others two covers with the official black ink seal crossed out by red crayon to indicate handling of the letter content; another 'kahsa' cover with black ink seal and black wax seal of the Tibetan cabinet directed to J. M. Bailey, the British trade agent in Gyantse; another cabinet cover with matching black ink and wax seal, the cover struck by bilingual hadstamps of LHASA and NANGARTSE; a blue framed cover from the Chinese royal court with its large red handstamp; 1917 part cover struck by the black handstamp of a fort, sent from Lhasa to the Maj. Campbell, the British Government Trade Commissioneer, plus a scarf cover struck with the private seal of the 13th Dalai Lama. The lot includes also part of the 24 January 1857 issue of 'The Illustrated London News' dealing with 'Ladak, the little Tibet' and three maps. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**1'500**
6238	1895/1909: Lot nine stampless official letters to and from Tibet towns under Nepal jurisdiction from Khasa court (1895, closed end 1896 and replaced by Kuti and Kerong), three from Kerong (1901/02) and five from Kuti (1902/09). Lot includes also a Nepalese cover from Pokhara, bearing Recut 1 a blue, tied by Pokhara killer obliterator, and directed to the the King of Mustang, an independent Kingdom located in the far west of Nepal at the Nepal - Tibet border. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**150**
6239	India 1903/27: Lot eight covers, some related to Sikkim; incl. 1903 picture postcard from Darjeeling to London, a 1924/25 ingoing correspondence to the botanist Earl Cawdor, directed either to Gangtok (3), to Belsand - Muzzafarpur, Bihar, or to Fort William, Calcutta (2). Lot includes also a French ingoing cover to Colonel Bailey in Gangtok, but with 'Indes Orientales' indication, sent to the Dutch Indies, returned via Singapore, Bangkok, and Bombay to Gangtok, Sikkim. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**150**

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF
6240	**British influence in Tibet**; 1902/04: Most interesting Selection of 23 covers and postcards, starting with two Indian picture postcards sent to Sligo, Ireland, the adhesives tied by "FIELD P.O. 24" cds, a Fieldpost Office later used on the Younghusband Expedition; five 1903/04 Indian stationery postcards to F. M. Bailey at the Tibet Frontier Commission, all with scarce "Temporary P.O.B." datestamps; 1903 Letter from Deoli to Sir Evan James at the Tibet Commission, briefly before the Younghusband Expedition was launched in December 1903; eight covers & stationeries despatched from the Younghusband expedition, sent to India or England, struck with datestamps of the Fieldpost Offices no. 24, 26, 27, and 32, three sent by Colonel Younghusband himself, August 1904 cover from Lt. Bailey despatched from LAHSSA, and a 22 Sept 1904 India Service Post Card from LAHSSA, the day before the city was evacuated by the British; 20 Sept 1904 autograph letter of Colonel Younghusband and directed to Sir Evan James, in which he discusses the terms of the treaty he had concluded with the Tibetans, two 1906 covers to Lady Younghusband in London; finally a June 1904 ingoing cover from Edinburgh to F. M. Bailey, presumably from his father, directed to the Tibet Frontier Commission; also three maps. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**2'000**
6241	British-Indian Post Offices in Tibet, 1905/38: Interesting group ten covers and a piece, despatched at the British-Indian P.O.'s in Tibet incl. eight covers from the correspondence to / from F. M. Bailley when he was British Trade Agent in Gyantse; with 1906 registered from Gyantse to Edinburgh struck by framed "TEMPORARY P.O." registration handstamp, 1907/1909 two covers from "GYANTSE SILIGURI" and "YATUNG VIA SILIGURI", both backstamped "BASE OFFICE"; 1911 'On Postal Service' cover from YATUNG to Peking, routed via India, while mail to China was sent at that time primarily on the direct Silk Road route; 1927 oversized canvas endorsed 'OHMS' sent from YATUNG to Bailley in GYANTSE bearing on reverse an irregular block of four 2/3 tr. salmon, on front British official stamps tied upon arrival at the British PO of GYANTSE; 1925 oversized cover from YATUNG to NAIRN, Scotland, two other YATUNG covers to Bailey in Edinburg; 1933 registered cover from GYANTSE to London, and 1938 cover from GYANTSE to Bailey in Gangtok, Sikkim. A fine selection with cancellation interest. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**500**
6242	Photographs, 1909: Pages from an album bearing 61 amateur but well taken photographs of villages, scenery and people in Tibet, including the garrisons at Yatung or Gyantse, fort at Gyantse, Gantok & Yatung bazaars, the photographer's caravan and dancers at a resthouse, the town of Gyantse, playing Polo, Gua village etc., the photos taken by an army officer, sized 12 x 10 cm. *(Photo = www)*			**300**
6243	**Chinese Post Offices**; 1910/11: Group five covers incl. two covers from Gyantse and Shigatse to Lhasa bearing unoverprinted Chinese adhesives paying the 3 c. local rate; oversized cover from Lhasa with surcharged 2½ a. on 10 c. and ½ a. on 2 c.; registered red band cover from LHASA to the British P.O. in SHANGHAI, bearing a four colour franking of the surcharged stamps, clear cancellations, but one stamp torn away; Cover from the Nepalese consul in LHASA via the British P.O. in YATUNG, directed to Nepal, stamps partially torn away; ingoing 1917 AR cover from Siningfu / Xining in Qinghai province; bearing Junk franking; in addition a group of forgeries marked as such. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**300**
6244	**First Issue Covers**: The Sir Charles Alfred Bell correspondence 1912: The collection on leaves with covers (8) all cancelled by Type I bilingual circular negative postmarks, including 1/6 tr. green on cover to Gyantse tied by LHASA P.O. in blue with Indian half-round "TEMPORARY P.O. Y / DUE / ONE ANNA" in black alongside; 1/6 tr. green on cover to Gyantse tied by LHASA P.O. in blue with Gyantse arrival in violet-black, ⅓ tr. blue on cover tied LHASA P.O. in blue with Gyantse arrival in black; ⅓ tr. blue on matching covers (stamp used as seal on reverse) one cancelled LHASA P.O. in blue, the other with cancel struck in violet; ⅓ tr. blue pair on cover cancelled LHASA P.O: in blue with Gyantse arrival in blue; 1921 ⅓ tr. blue corner marginal example tied by LHASSA P.O. in black (Hellrigl T13) etc., condition generally very fine to fine. *Provenance: Christie's, London, 14 June 1990, lots 1142 and 1146.* *(Photo = www)*	1A, 2A	✉	**750**
6245	First Issue 1912/32: 1/6 tr. bright green, a fine example used on reverse of commercial cover tied by circular bilingual "GYANTSE P.O." negative handstamp (Hellrigl T3) in black with fair strike "PELTI P.O." negative alongside (Hellrigl T6) in black; and two further covers - one bearing ½ tr. lilac pair and the other a 1 tr. red corner marginal pair, both cancelled by "LHASA P.O." negative handstamps (Hellrigl T4) struck in blue. A fine trio. *(Photo = www)*	1A/3A	✉	**150**
6246	First Issue 1912/32: Group 15 covers with First Issue frankings, incl. eight covers with single frankings of 1/6 tr. green, one cover with a pair, single frankings of 1/3 tr. blue and ½ tr. violet, OHMS cover with combination of 1/6 tr. green and ½ tr. violet, also two philatelic set frankings from GYANTSE on large paper sheets and a three-colour franking of pairs 1/6 tr. green, 1/3 tr. blue, and 1 tr. vermillion with LHASSA despatch and GYANTSE arrival markings in so-called boot-polish colour. An interesting and diverse assembly with shade and cancellation interest showing negative intaglio handstamp cancellations from GYANTSE, CHUSU, NANGARTSE, and PELTI as well as LHASSA and SHIGATSE handstamps. *(Photo = www)*	1A/5A	✉	**400**

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6247	1912/50: Tibet Native Cancellations, a selection of 23 covers bearing frankings of the 1912 and the 1933 issue, incl. among others better handstamp strikes such as PENAM transit; SHIGATSE in blue-green, one of two covers recorded; LHASA type 1 on cover to Ladakh with NANGARTSE & GYANTSE transit strikes; cover from SHIGATSE to PELTI with PENAM and GYANTSE transit strikes; cover with LHASA despatch in blue and GYANTSE arrival in violet, small PHARIHONG despatch; cover to Nepal from LHASA via NANGARTSE and GYANTSE where given to the British post, cover from PHARI via the British PO in PHARIJONG and directed to Bhutan; cover from the Nepalese legation in Lhasa to Kathmandu via Gyantse. An interesting and diverse group. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**400**
6248	**International Mail Connections of Tibet**, Mail Tibet to Nepal; 1911/50: Lot 17 covers, a diverse group showing different franking combination of Tibetan, Nepalese, and British adhesives, incl. 1911 cover Gyantse to Kathmandu, bearing on reverse pair India 1 a.; 1918 cover Gyantse to Kathmandu, bearing on reverse India ½ a.; two 1918/24 covers from Kuti in Tibet, carried by runners to Tatapani where given to the Nepalese postal services with matching franking; 1927 cover from the British PO in GYANTSE with oval KATMANDU arrival handstamp; 1923/28 three covers from LHASSA via PHARJONG to Nepal, two with combination frankings, one with Pharjong due marking; 1927/31, two Tibet - British PO combination covers to Patan, both with oval KATMANDU, one re-adressed from Calcutta; 1930 cover to Nepal bearing on reverse combination franking of 1912 ½ tr. violet and late pair KEVII ½ a.; 1937 cover bearing 1 tr. salmon and struck in PHARJONG by British due handstamp; 1938 British stationery envelope 1 a. franked on reverse with 1 tr. scarlet, sent from SHIGATSE to Lalitpur; 1942 cover from the British PO in PHARJONG, bearing on reverse India block of four 1a.3pi. and single 1 a., directed to the British Legation in Nepal; 1947 combination franking of Tibet 2 & 1 tr. tied by LHASA handstamp and on reverse British franking tied at the PHARJONG PO; 1950 Indian stationery envelope, Tibetan adhesive on reverse tied by SHIGATSE handstamp, additional PHARIJONG handstamp on obverse; another 1947 cover from Lhasa to Kathmandu with Tibet - British combination franking. A diverse lot *(Photo = www)*		✉	**400**
6249	1912/59: Selection stamps used/unused, on pieces and 20 covers, a large group of the first and second issue showing the rich variety of shades from the different settings, incl two stampless covers, a Gyantse picture postcard bearing 1933 ½ t. orange, another example from Setting 3 on cover, perforated on two sides, 2/3 t. with pre-use folds, two covers with 4 tr. and bisected 2 tr to pay the short-lived 5 tr. registration rate, combination frankings with 1954 India and 1953 Nepal; the adhesives also with cancellation interest from Lhasa, Phari, Gyantse, and Shigatse. *(Photo = www)*	1-6,9-13	✉	**500**
6250	Mail Tibet to British India; 1916/52: Lot five covers, a diverse group showing also franking combinations of Tibetan, Indian and British adhesives, incl. 1916 front / cover with 1/6 tr. adhesive tied by Lhasa datestamp with additional Gyantse & Pelti handstamps, directed to Leh, Ladakh; 1920 oversized registered combination cover from Lhasa to Gangtok, addressed to C.A. Bell, Administrator in Sikkim, GYANTSE registration label; 1912 compl. set on postcard cancelled-to-order in Lhasa and directed to Calcutta, but sent under cover; 1925 Indian stationery envelope with additional 1/6 tr. green from Lhasa to Gangtok; and 1952 combination cover from Lhasa via the Indian PO in Pharijong to Kalimpong, West Bengal. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**200**
6251	Mail Tibet to the United States; 1916/52: Lot five covers, a diverse group showing also franking combinations of Tibetan and Indian adhesives, incl. 1939 unpaid envelope from Yatung to Montclair NJ with YATUNG horseshoe due marking, CALCUTTA censor and tax stamp; 1941 philatelich set cover of the first issue to Ramsey NJ; 1952 Tibet - India combination cover directed to Seattle; and 1952/53 two registered philatelic Tibet - India combination Airmail covers, bearing complete sheets of the Tibet 1933 issue, these cancelled in LHASA, the Indian commemorative stamps at the Indian PO in GYANTSE, both with cert. Sismondo. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**200**
6252	Incoming Mail to Tibet; 1916/52: Lot 20 covers, a diverse group showing also franking combinations of Tibetan adhesives with those of other countries, incl. among others Incoming from India, 1926/1954 three combination covers from Calcutta; Incoming from China, 1926 registered cover from Peking to Tsarong Shape in Gyantse; Incoming from Great Britain, 1924 five covers to the botanist Earl Cawdor, sent to Calcutta, re-directed to Gyantse, three covers from India to the same recipient, also three 1922/38 covers; Incoming from South Africa 1942 cover; Incoming from Canada 1934 cover; Incoming from Finland, 1953 registered combination cover; and Incoming from the United States, 1953 Airmail combination cover. Lot includes a combination cover despatched 1955 at the Indian PO in PHARIJONG and directed to Lhasa. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**750**
6253	Mail Nepal to Tibet; 1911/55c.: Lot seven covers, a diverse group showing different franking combinations of Tibetan, Nepalese, Indian and British adhesives, incl. an undated registered cover from Ashwantole, Kathmandu to Lhasa with oval KATMANDU transit; two covers from Nepal with British 1 a. adhesive, PHARJONG transit, and Tibetan 1/6 tr. tied by small PHARJONG handstamp; Nepalese stationery envelope 4 pi. red sent from Kathmandu to Pharjong bearing on reverse 1933 4 tr. green; 1945 registered cover from the British Legation Nepal bearing pairs of 1a. 3pi. and 1 a.; 1955 cover from the Indian Embassy PO on Katmandu, bearing India 2 a. United Nations Day commemorative, directed to Sarong Shape, the Prime Minister of Tibet in Shigatse, bearing a 1933 three-colour franking to pay 2⅔ tr. internal rate; in addition 1955 cover from Kathmandu to Shigatse bearing a Nepal - Tibet combination franking. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**200**

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6254	**Second Issue** 1933/59: 1 tr. lake and 2 tr. bright rose-red, used on reverse of cover tied by bilingual circular "PHARI" handstamps in black (Hellrigl T44) with superb information strike adjacent; second cover with 1 tr. scarlet in a horizontal strip of four tied by bilingual circular "SHIGATSE" handstamps in black (Hellrigl T46) and third cover franked by single 4 tr. apple-green tied by bilingual circular "CHUSHUR" handstamp (Hellrigl T40) in black - this last being rare. *Provenance: Collection Tony & Pat Wheeler.* *(Photo = www)*	11B, 12B, 13B	✉	**150**
6255	Second Issue 1933/59: Selection 14 registered letters with 4-tranka frankings, showing a diversity of boxed and straight-line registration handstamps in violet, despatched from Phari, Lhasa, Gyantse, Shigatse, and Pharijong. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**200**
6256	Second Issue 1933/59: Lot 41 covers, incl. local 1 tr. scarlet frankings (2), single 2 tr. red frankings (3), a Lhasa cover with pair 1 tr. red, covers with two examples or pairs of 2 tr. red (7), and single frankings of 4 tr. green (28). An interesting and diverse assembly with shade and cancellation interest. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**400**
6257	Second Issue 1933/59: Selection 24 covers with multiple, bi- or three-coloured frankings, incl. among others 5-tranka franking in a combination of 4 tr. green and bisected 2 tr. scarlet, another 5-tranka franking with pair and bisected 2 tr. scarlet, two postmaster fraud covers using pair 1 tr. orange to pay the 4 tr. rate, 3-tranka rate, one cover paid with ½ tr. (2) and 1 tr. (2), one cover paid with ½ tr. (2) and 2 tr., five covers paid with 1 & 2 tr., insured cover with 4 tr. green and 2/3 tr. blue, 4-tranka franking with six examples of 2/3 tr. blue, two covers from Lhasa and Pharijong, 5-tranka franking with part sheet franking of five 1 tr. red, two covers with 1 tr. & 2/3 tr. frankings, cover with strip of three 2/3 tr. blue, cover with ½ tr. & pair 1 tr., 6 tranka franking with strip of three 2 tr. orange, a philatelic 'three-colour' franking of 4 tr. green, 2 tr. brown-red, and 2 tr. brown-orange, and three set franking of all five values on two paper strips and a cover. An interesting and diverse assembly with shade and cancellation interest. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**500**
6258	**Heinrich Harrer** 1939/59: Author of the book "Seven Years in Tibet", Harrer was a Sergeant in the German Army, interned in India in 1939 he escaped to Tibet where he was befriended by the Dalai Lama; the small group with a 1949 airmail cover mailed by Harrer to Germany with India 1941 3½ a. bright blue tied by "PHARIJONG / TIBET" machine cancel with return address care of the Tibetan Trade Agent in Gyantse; 1949 Essays (2) in miniature sheet format with three designs for a Tibet issue printed in black, myrtle green and brown designed by Harrer, and a 1959 cover to Arnold Waterfall in Skipton with a red rubber stamp advertising Harrer's lectures in Frankfurt on publication of his book - now filmed starring Brad Pitt. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**200**
6259	**Chinese reoccupation of Tibet** 1950/1955c.: The splendid collection, well written up on leaves and loose (128 covers), with PRC issues used in Tibet with some useful stamps on letter incl. 1952 Liberation of Tibet set of four on cover ex Yatung and other covers with scarcer PRC issues, cancellations include Tibetan language usage from Pelti, bilingual datestamps (Chinese / Tibetan) either with dotted or solid circular datestamps of Gangtok, Gontok, Lhasa, Pharijong, Shigatse, Yatung etc. unusual routings including 1955 covers (2) from Lhasa to Kathmandu via Canton, 1955 cover with "Officially Resealed" labels applied at Yatung, covers with framed Chinese directional markings in red, destinations incl. Germany, incoming Mail from India, Iraq, Nepal with many of the covers ex the Waterfall and Wheeler collections. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**2'000**
6260	Chinese Post Offices in Tibet; 1954/84c: Lot 14 covers from the first years up to 1957; incl. among others 1954 stampless cover from Sinning to Zhushan, 1955 combination cover Tibet - PRC sent within Lhasa, 1955 cover from Phari to Kalimpong, bearing early 1952 Liberation issue $800 single, a rare usage in Tibet, another 1956 cover with 'Opening of the China - Tibet road' franking, 1955 registration receipt from Niemalu to the Royal Secretary in Kathmandu, 1957 cover bearing 'Views of Peking' set from Lhasa to Hongkong, in addition a group of 30 later PRC usages in Tibet or ingoing to Tibet. *(Photo = www)*		✉	**150**
6261	**Forgeries;** 1912/33: The Bengt-Erik Larsson reference collection of Forgeries on 40 album pages from the first attempts presumed to have been produced circa 1920, with a study of the 1912 issue, the 1914 4 t. and 8 t. sheets and the extensive study of the 1933 issue; including complete sheets, forged stamps with genuine cancellations and vice-versa, covers, so-called errors of colour, covers with fabricated frankings etc. An excellent lot for the student well arranged in a red album. *Provenance: Collection Bengt-Erik Larsson, DF, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20538.* *(Photo = www)*		✉⊞	**750**
6262	1912/33: First Issue, the study collection formed by Arnold C. Waterfall to display the different and numerous forgeries of the first issue, with genuine set of five unused and thereafter with genuine complete sheet of twelve of the ⅓ tr. blue with a fine clear impression, fine genuine sheet of twelve of the ½ tr. violet, genuine sheet of twelve of the ⅔ tr. deep red with the POTSAGE errors and the two known forgeries of this error (one actually being quite 'good'), and a genuine sheet of the 1 tr. vermilion; the whole surrounded by the sometimes obvious, sometimes dangerous, forgeries of the issue (63 items). *(Photo = www)*	1/5	⊞(*)	**1'200**
6263	1912/33: The Bo Olsson reference collection of Forgeries on 50 album pages from the first attempts presumed to have been produced circa 1920, with a study of the 1912 issue, the 1914 4 t. and 8 t. sheets and the extensive study of the 1933 issue; including unused and used complete sheets, forged stamps with genuine cancellations and vice-versa, so-called errors of colour, covers with fabricated frankings etc. An excellent lot for the student well arranged in a claret album. *Provenance: Collection Bo Olsson, DF, 5 Dec 2017, lot 20537.* *(Photo = www)*		✉⊞	**1'500**