

SHANGHAE / POST OFFICE / PAID d/r Webb type 3



This local made double-ring handstamp known as Webb type 3 was used on prepaid letters pending the arrival of the single-ring Shanghae Paid c.d.s. Webb type 6 from London. Webb type 6 c.d.s. was sent out on 18th December 1861 according to the G.P.O. Proof Book. However, even before the arrival of type 6, one single-ring dater and a similar Paid c.d.s. were taken into use for a few months; known as Webb type 4 and 5. The c.d.s. is characterized by serif lettering and appears to be locally made.

1. 1860, December 2 to Boston, Mass. (Insufficiently prepaid)
2. 1861, January to Corfu
3. 1861, "6" January to London (re: HKPS 2011 June NL)
4. 1861, February 21 to London (ex. Ishikawa lot 585)
5. 1861, February 21 to London (re-directed with Crown circle R.)
6. 1861, March 3 to Annapolis
7. 1861, March 22 to France
8. 1861, April to Sydney
9. 1861, April 5 to Ipswich, Mass

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