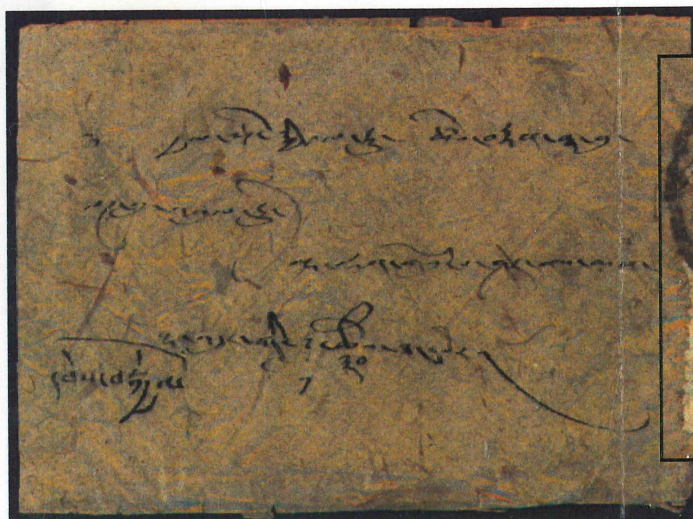


The 4 trangka is from cliché No 9 and appears to be perforated about 7 along the bottom; it is impossible to gauge the remaining sides accurately. From the state of the type VIII LHASA postmark this was probably used later than 1938. There is no doubt this is an original perforation because after the perforated printings cliché 9 developed a white flaw from the white line above the "E" of "TIBET".



Hand made envelope on brown local paper (some edge faults)

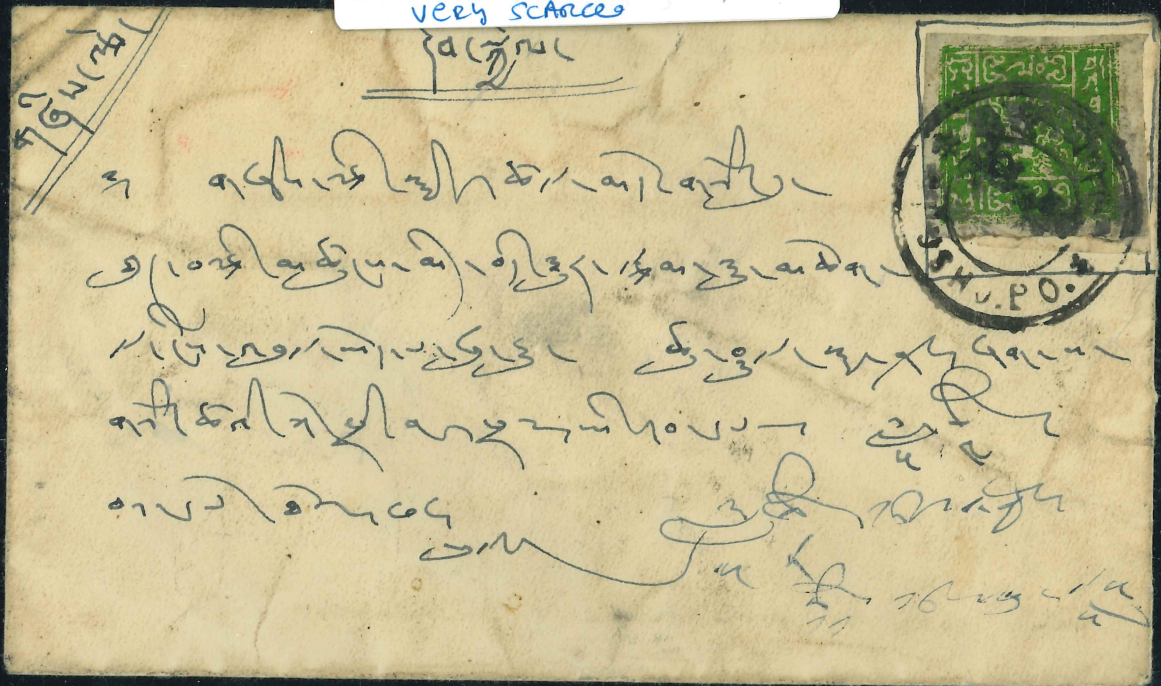
Perforated 4 Trangka on Commercial Cover



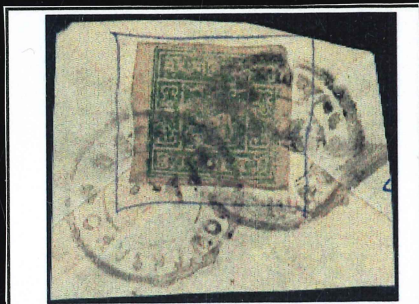
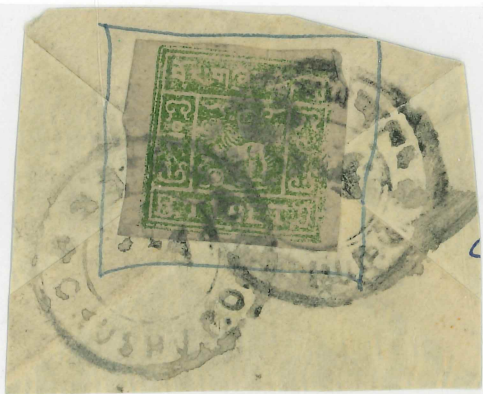
N115 Very Rare Commercially Used Registered Cover from Lhasa to Gyantse. The cover is f.w. a VF (4 margin) copy of the 4 Trangka, Emerald Green (Cliché 9, Setting 1a) with **Original Perforations**. The cover bears a hand-drawn registration mark and is hand-dated the "30th Day of the 1st Month". (Translation Supplied). The stamp is tied by a **LHASA Type VIII** (Hel. T42) cancel. From the state of the Lhasa cancel the cover was probably sent after 1938. The perforations are unquestionably genuine. (After the perforated printings Cliché 9 developed a white flaw from the white line above the "E" of "TIBET".) **This is an extremely rare stamp on commercial cover!** (Ex. Bates, Ex. Bibbins) \$875 (US)

Cliché 9, Setting 1
Original Perforations

Registered commercial cover from Chushur. 4 trangka registered rate with hand drawn registration mark. 4 trangka green 3rd Series tied with Chushur (T40) cancel. Wax seal on back. (14) \$ 175
very scarce



Cat. price _____ Selling Price _____



AA48 #18 4tr Grey Green tied to small piece by two very scarce **CHUSHU P.O.** Type VIII (Hel. T40) cancels. Very scarce small town commercial usage. \$85 (US)

made in Germany

Registration mark

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CLICHE 5 W 206
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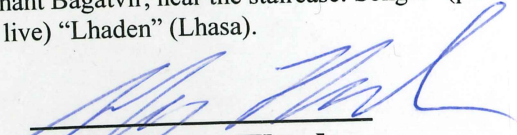


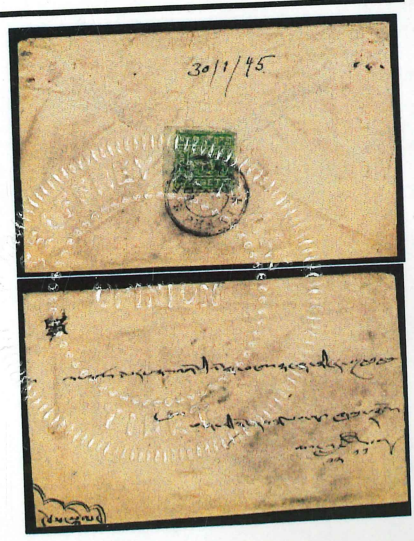
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In my opinion the cover illustrated on the right (illustration reduced in size) is a genuine dated Registered Internal cover from Phari to Lhasa f.w. 4 Trangka Yellow Green (Setting Ic) tied by complete (note double outer ring) PHARI Type VIII (Hel. T44). The cover is Manuscript dated "30.1.45". It is very uncommon for internal covers to be dated – but it is important in that it proves the printing to be the Very Scarce Setting Ic. Interesting hand-drawn Registration Mark and Buddhist Swastika symbol. Interesting address on the cover: "Deliver to Merchant Bagatvir, near the staircase. Songra" (place where Nepalese live) "Lhaden" (Lhasa).


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