

HELLENIC POSTAL STATIONERY

1876-1941



The first Greek postal card was issued in 1875 and was an innovation that received much publicity in the press of the time. Later, letter cards and printed envelopes, including aerograms, as well as wrappers for newspapers and printed matter, were introduced. The defining feature was the pre-printed stamp that allowed the sender to mail them without using additional stamps... except if they were for a different rate (e.g., "in-town" rate versus "city-to-city"), or if postal rates had increased. Additional postage was also applied for registered, airmail, or express delivery. Lastly, for the Parcel Post and Postal Money Order services, special forms with various printed values were issued in 1901, some for domestic use and others, bilingual (Greek-French), for international use, which were devalued in 1915 and henceforth used as forms with overprints.

Unused Greek postal cards are generally common and without interest, as are the SPECIMEN markings (Large Head of Hermes and Flying Hermes). The exhibit presents the most significant issues, with proofs and few varieties, as well as special usages.* Additionally, proofs and mailed samples of some famous illustrated postcard series are displayed, which were withdrawn quickly from circulation due to the Occupation (WW2).

The discovery of the two different Coat of Arms in the 1910-1920 issues is credited to the exhibitor*.

The issues are complemented with examples of mail dispatches (maritime, railway, and special offices), as well as unique destinations.

Properly returned "Retour" postal cards, as well as registered ones, should be considered rarities.

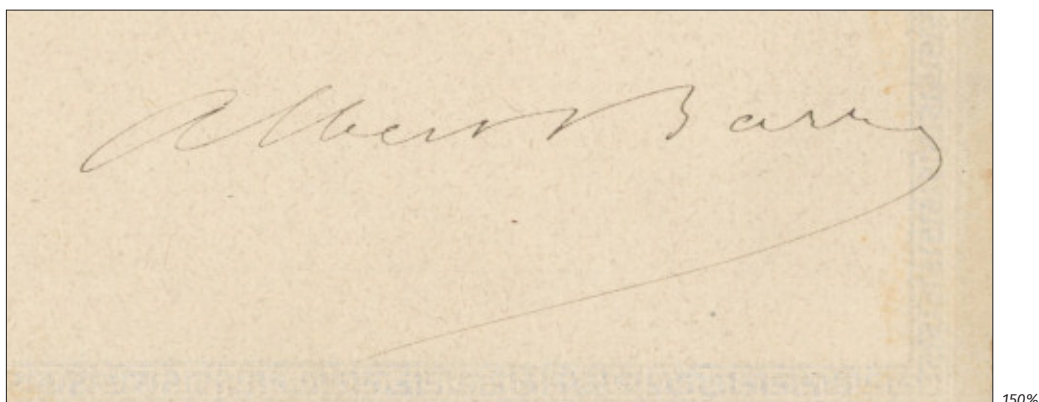
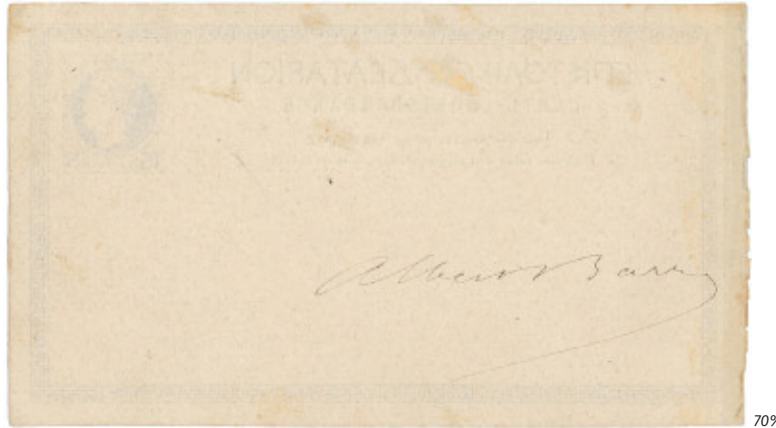
Due to limited space, the New Territories and military issues are not displayed.

**Personal discoveries and research by the exhibitor, published in Collectio and Philotelia magazines.*

Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Paris)

Issued on 10 May 1876
(Decree in ΦΕΚ 56 Α', on 13.10.1875)

It was designed by Albert Barre, who also engraved the first Greek stamps.

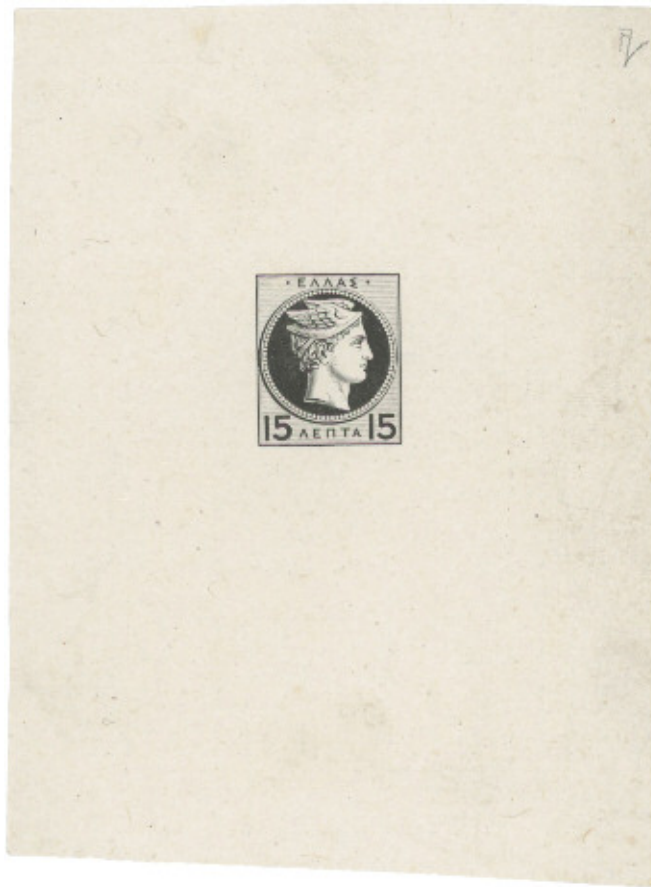


Albert Barre dedicated this **specimen** of postal card to his friend, the historian Ludovic Lalanne, a librarian, writer, historian, and archivist at the Library of the Institute.

It has been cut with scissors, following the lines.
On the reverse side, it bears Barre's signature.

UNIQUE!

Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Paris)



Die proof by Barre in black ink, on thin watermarked paper.

Eight proofs have been recorded, in gray-greenish and black colors, on papers of various sizes.

Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Paris)

Printed by J. Clave & Cie in Paris

The plate included 24 impressions, in 4 rows and 6 columns.

It was produced on April 13 and 14, 1876.

Depending on the plate pressure during printing, random omissions of some accents occurred. The dividing line below CARTE-CORRESPONDANCE was printed at 14.50mm and 16mm (in fixed positions).

There are 12 per each in every sheet.



14.50mm

14.5		14.5	
14.5	14.5		
	14.5		14.5
14.5		14.5	14.5
14.5	14.5		14.5



16.00mm



Vertical pair from a plate proof, cut with scissors.

It includes the varieties of the dividing line length,

16mm on the upper card and 14.50mm on the bottom one.

Possible positions in the sheet 1/5, 3/7, 12/16, 13/17, 15/19 και 18/21.

believe that this specific pair comes from positions **6/10** or **15/19**

(because in the others, the margins could be present).

Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Paris)



The right margin of the plate proof indicates a cardboard width of 65 cm.

9th day of issue



100%



Postal card 15λ, posted from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 18.ΜΑΪΟΣ.76 (Athens) to Smyrna, via ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 18.ΜΑΪΟΣ.76 (Piraeus).

Issued on 10 May 1876

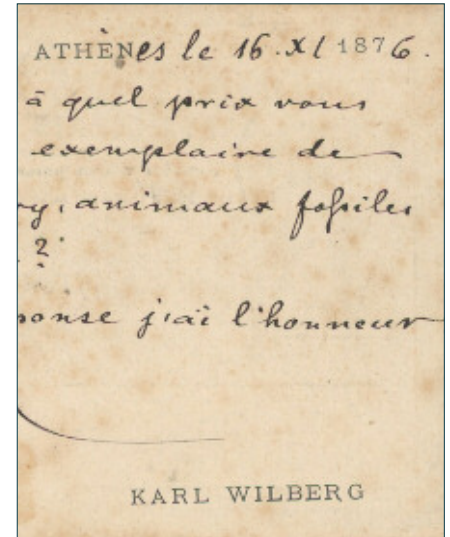
Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Paris)

Repiquage

Early printing in the first issue of Greek postal cards

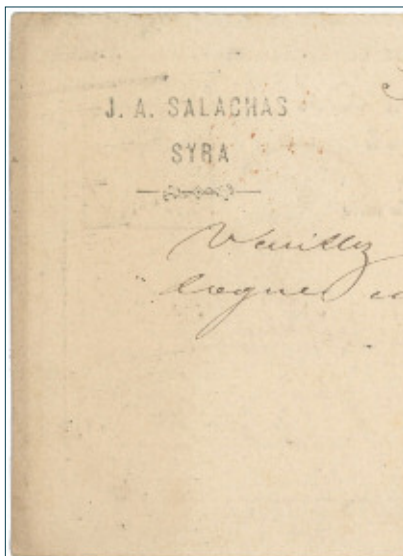


ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 4.ΝΟΕΜ.76 (Athens), to PARIS 8,
via entry Post Office GRECE AMB. MARSEILLE 22.NOV.76.



ATHEN
KARL WILBERG
Bookseller
and Consul of Germany

90%



J.A. SALACHAS
SYRA

90%



ΣΥΡΑ 8.ΔΕΚΕ.78 (Syros), to Paris,
via entry Post Office GRECE AMB. MARSEILLE 28.DEC.78.
PD (Payé à Destination) by the Exchange P.O. of Syros.

Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Athens)

The printing plate was sent to Athens.

As was the case with postage stamps of this period, when postal cards ran out, the Greek State proceeded with reprints.

Literature indicates that these reprints began in Athens in 1878.

The paper is yellowish-whitish and white.

Fine printings without significant plate wear, with a light printing of the dashed lines.

earliest known date?



ΚΩΝΣΤΑΝΤΙΝ 18.ΝΟΕΜ.77 (Constantinople) to Athens.

If there is no error in the postmark (the "77" is unquestionable), this is the earliest known date, which challenges the relative literature.



etre & côte instead of **être & côté**

(Printing variations depending of the pressure of printing, not plate flaws)

Large Hermes Head: 1st issue (Athens)

Printings with bleaching and uneven inking.
Heavy printing of the dashed lines.

They are found in various shades, similar to those of the Large Hermes Heads of the period.

deep blue
repiquage Z. Veloudios (in French)



royal blue on whitish
repiquage Z. Veloudios (in Italian)



lilac blue
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 30.ΣΕΠΤ.82



blackish blue
ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 29.ΑΠΡ.80

Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Belgium)

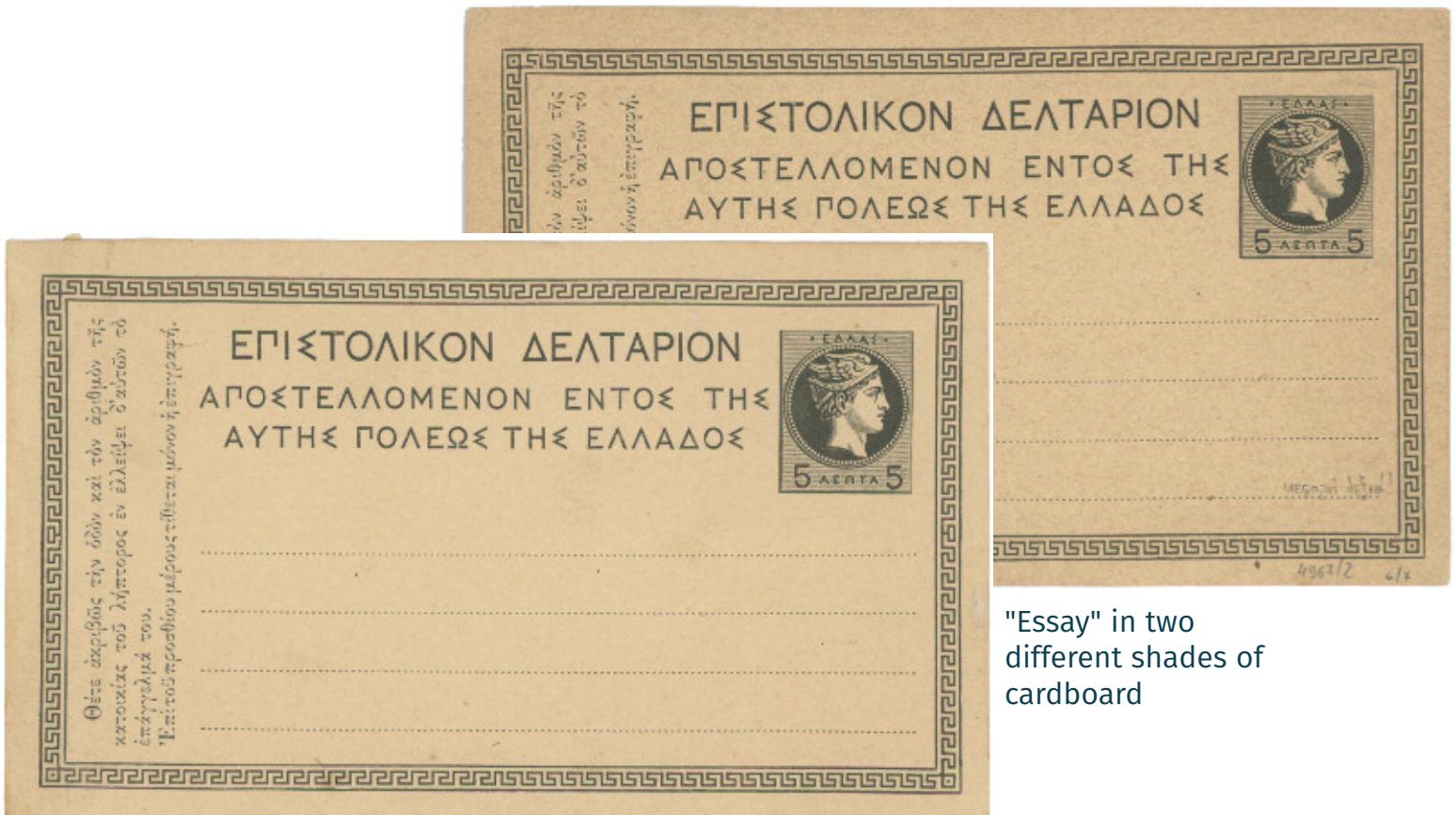
Issued on 1st July 1883

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 137 Α', on 09.04.1883)

Two denominations were issued on three different postal cards: 5 lepta for in town use, 10 lepta for city-to-city mailing, and 10 lepta for international mail. Additionally, double postcards (with prepaid reply) were also released, bringing the total combinations of postal cards to twelve different types.

Position of Hermes Head without deviation, as in the 1st issue of postal cards

Few copies of the 5λ are known and we use to classify them as proofs, although three used copies are known. The remaining 5 lepta, as well as the 10 lepta denomination (in both colors), were printed with the head leaning to the left. We do not know if this is an artistic intervention or an engraver's error during the production of the dies.



"Essay" in two different shades of cardboard

Greenish grey on rough grey-yellowish cardboard



5λ, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 28.[?].1889, in town, return to sender with handwritten **Άγνωστος** (unknown).

Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Belgium)

10λ dull ultramarine, for domestic mail

Used also on International mail

Inability to forward (non UPU country)



1883 issue:
Dull ultramarine
on grey-cream

10λ from **ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 27.ΑΥΓ.1885** (Corfu) to the Cape of Good Hope, via **SUEZ ARRIVÉE 17.SP.85** and **SEE POST OFFICE 25.SEP.85** (Aden). It was not forwarded further because **the Cape of Good Hope was not a member of the Universal Postal Union**. Red marking **POST CARDS TO THIS ADDRESS CANNOT BE FORWARDED**, possibly in Aden and was returned to Greece. **Disinfection slits** in Piraeus. The date in the ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (Athens) postmark is illegible. **UNIQUE!**

Disinfection slits



10λ from ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 11.ΣΕΠΤ.1884 (Corfu) to Lecce, Italy, with two **disinfection slits**.

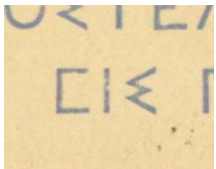
Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Belgium)



dull ultramarine on grey-brown

10λ from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 24. ΙΟΥΛ.1886 (Athens) to Loutraki, served by ΚΟΡΙΝΘΟΣ 24.ΙΟΥΛ.86 (Corinth). The Loutraki P.O. was established in 1893. Returned to ΑΘΗΝΑ 26. ΙΟΥΛ.1886 with the handwritten note **Departed from the baths.**

Special destinations



1888 printing: dull ultramarine on yellow-cream



random printing varieties

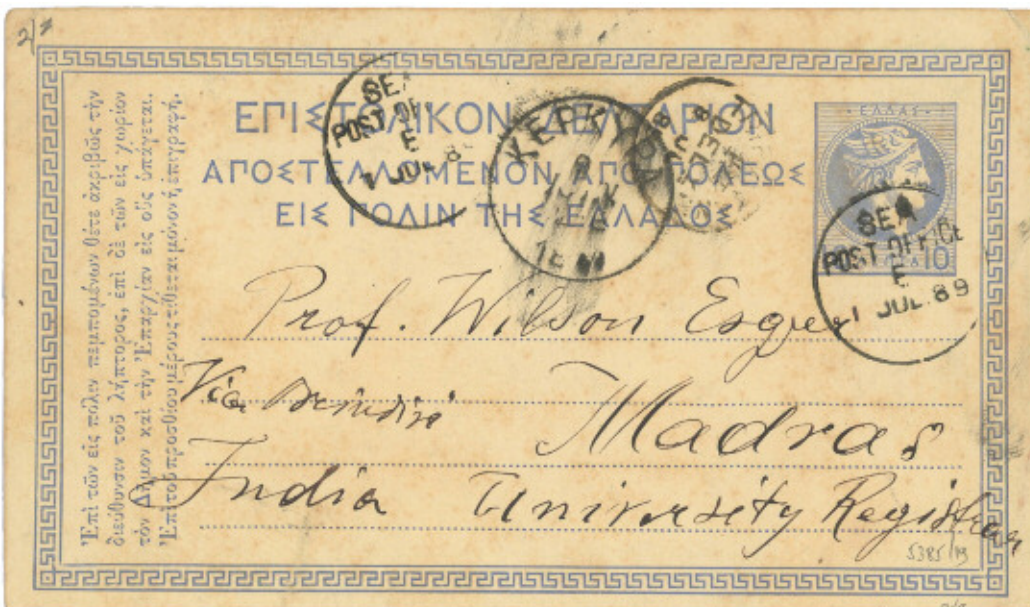
Peru!

10λ from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 31.ΔΕΚΕΜ.88 (Athens) to **CORREOS LIMA** 28.FEB.89.



India

10λ from ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 9.ΙΟΥΝ.89 (Corfu) to Madras, with **TRIP.. ANE DELy 8.JL.85**, via SEE POST OFFICE E 1.JUL.85.

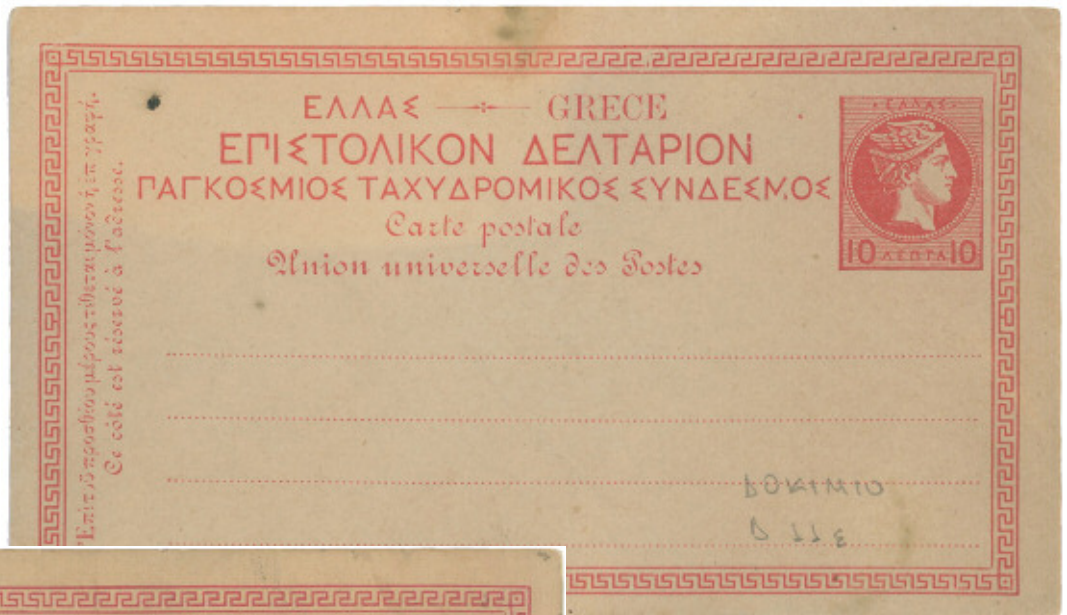


Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Belgium)

10λ red, for international mail
Used also on domestic mail

1887[?] printing:
rose-red
on cream-grey

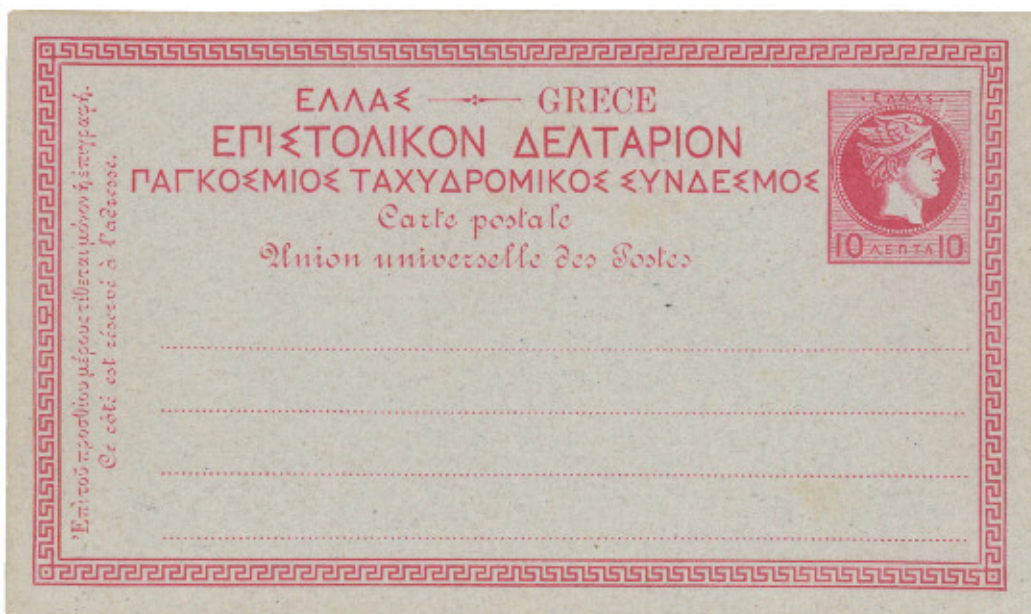
variety
επ γραφή
(without t)



1887[?] printing:
lilac-red
on cream-grey



many plate flows
are met



1883 issue:
lilac-red on bluis
grey

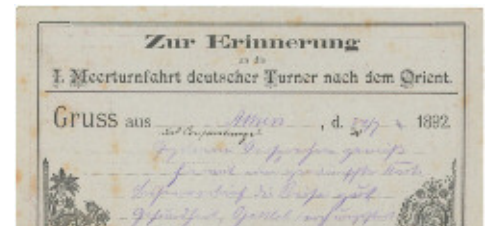
Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Belgium)

Special destinations

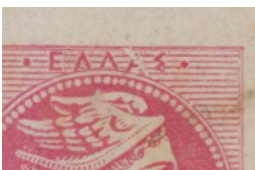
10λ from ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 6.ΜΑΙΟΣ.87 (Corfu) to **BISRAMPUR 2. JUN.87**, India, via SEE POST OFFICE D 25.MAY.87.



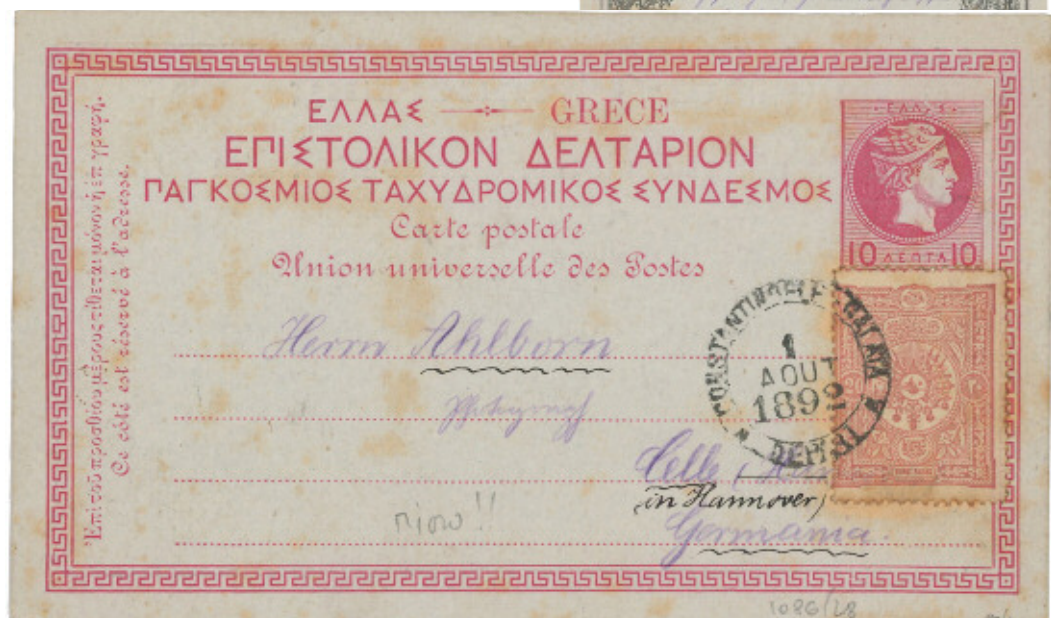
10λ from Athens 18.12.1885 to **Azores**, Portugal, via Brindisi and LONDON DE.23.85.



Not accepted for dispatch at the Ottoman P.O. of Constantinople



10λ written in Athens 24/7 (German cruise) but posted from **CONSTANTINOPLE-GALATA DEPART**, after, correctly, affixing a 20pa Ottoman stamp



Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

Athens reprints

Due to stock depletion, the Post Office proceeded with repeated reprints of all three denominations. According to literature, the first reprint was in 1890 for the 5 lepta, in 1891 for the blue 10 lepta, and in 1892 for the red 10 lepta. The print quality was generally very poor.



1896[?] printing:
black on
very thin cardoard

5λ, uprated with 5λ Olympic Games, from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 16.ΑΠΡ.1896 (Athens) to TRIEST-TRIESTE 22.4.96.



5λ, uprated with 5λ small Hermes Head, from Athens 9.6.1898 sent to HANNOVER 1 25.6.98. Returned to sender with two informational labels, one of the P.O. of Hannover and a second, bilingual, issued by UPU.

Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

Ποικιλίες χαρτιών, χρωμάτων, κοπής και σφάλματα πλάκας

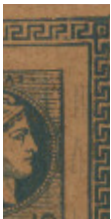
1891 printing:
light blue,
fine printing

ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 25.ΟΚΤ.91
(Piraeus)



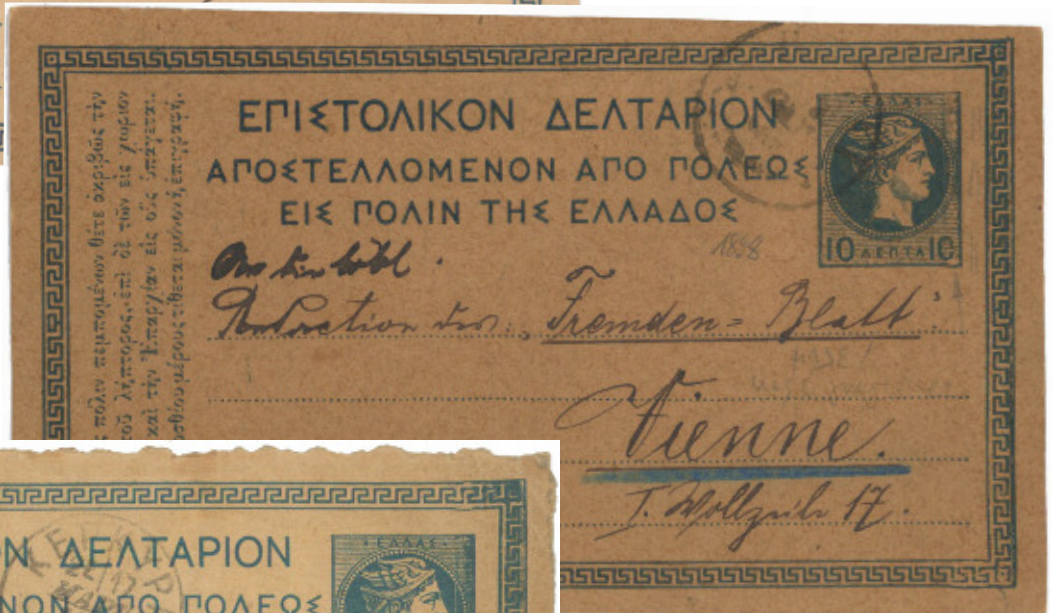
1895 printing:
blue on cream-rose
rough paper

ΠΑΤΡΩΝ-ΑΘΗΝΩΝ 4.ΙΟΥΝ.95
(Patras to Athens, ambulant)



1898 printing:
deep blue on brownish
thin & glossy cardboard.
With plate flows

ΠΑΤΡΑΙ 27.ΟΚΤ.[1898]
(Patras)



? printing:
blue on poor yellowish
cardboard, **poorly cut**.
With plate flows

ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 12.ΜΑΡΤ.1900
(Corfu)

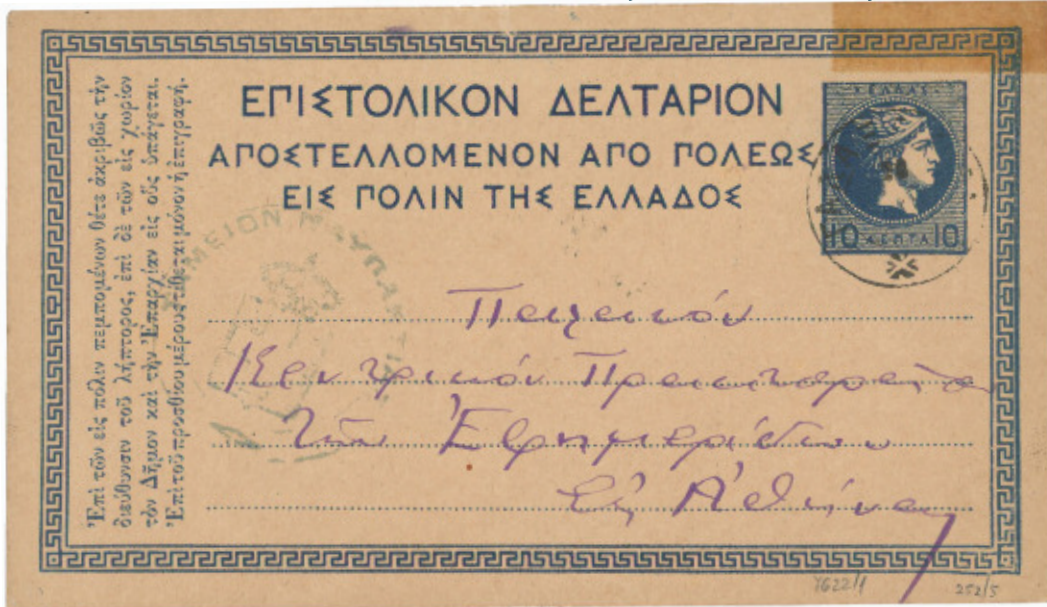


Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

Greek-Turkish war of 1897

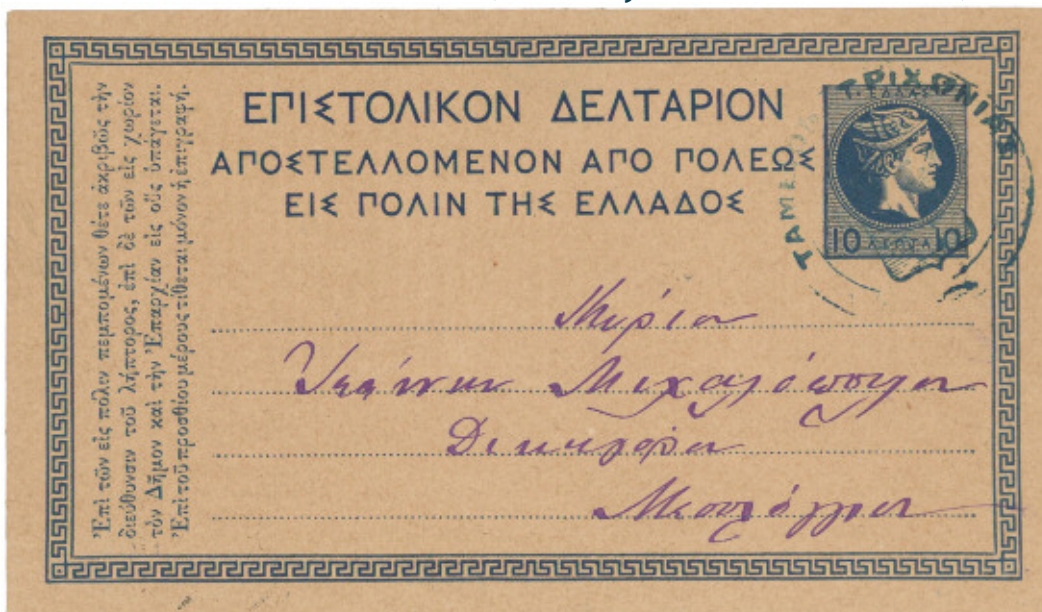
In addition to the Olympic stamps, the postal stationery found in certain Greek State Treasury Offices were also stamped (validated) with their official administrative handstamps

TAMEION ΝΑΥΠΑΚΤΙΑΣ (Treasury office of Nafpaktia)



ΓΑΛΑΞΕΙΔΙΟΝ 23.ΣΕΠΤ.97 (Galaxidion) to ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 24.ΣΕΠΤ.1897 (Athens)

TAMEION ΤΡΙΧΩΝΙΔΟΣ (Treasury office of Trichonia)



Κεφαλόβρυσον 26.4.98 (Kerhalovrysson) to Μεσολόγγιον (Mesolonghion)

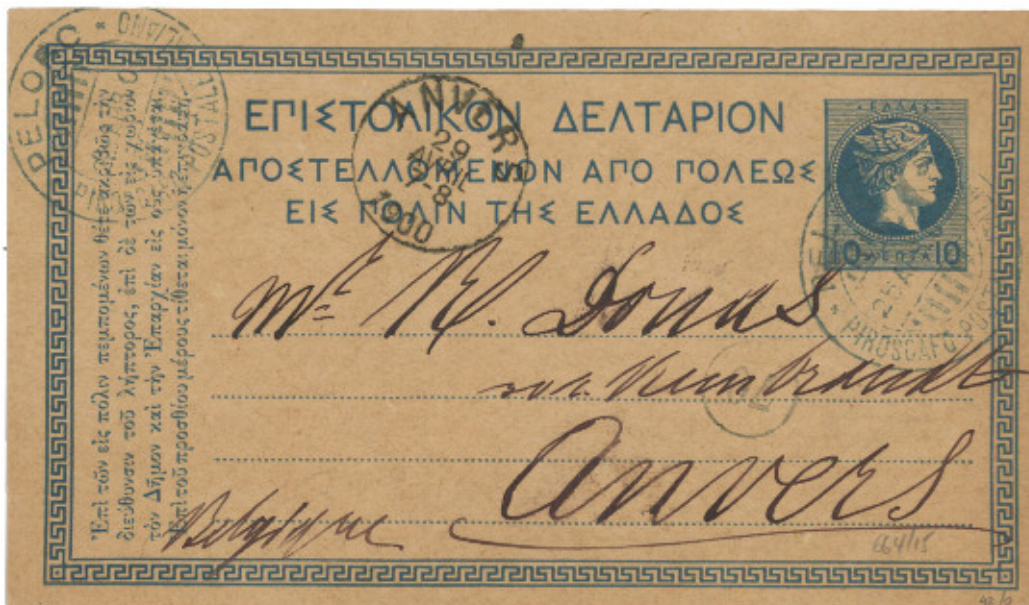
Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

Posting on Italian steamships

The postal cards were stamped with the datestamps of the steamships.



CANDIA PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO 6.OTT.96 to BOCHUM 10.10.96,
Germany



PELORO PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO 25.APR.00 to ANVERS 29.
AVRIL.96, Belgium

Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

ΠΑΤΡΑΙ 4.ΣΕΠΤ.99
 (Patras) addressed to
 "...*Capitaine en pension,
 Par M. le Consul
 d'Allemagne*", referring
 to the Consul in Patras,
missent to Germany
 and returned with
**"Insuffisance
 d'adresse"** (UPU label).

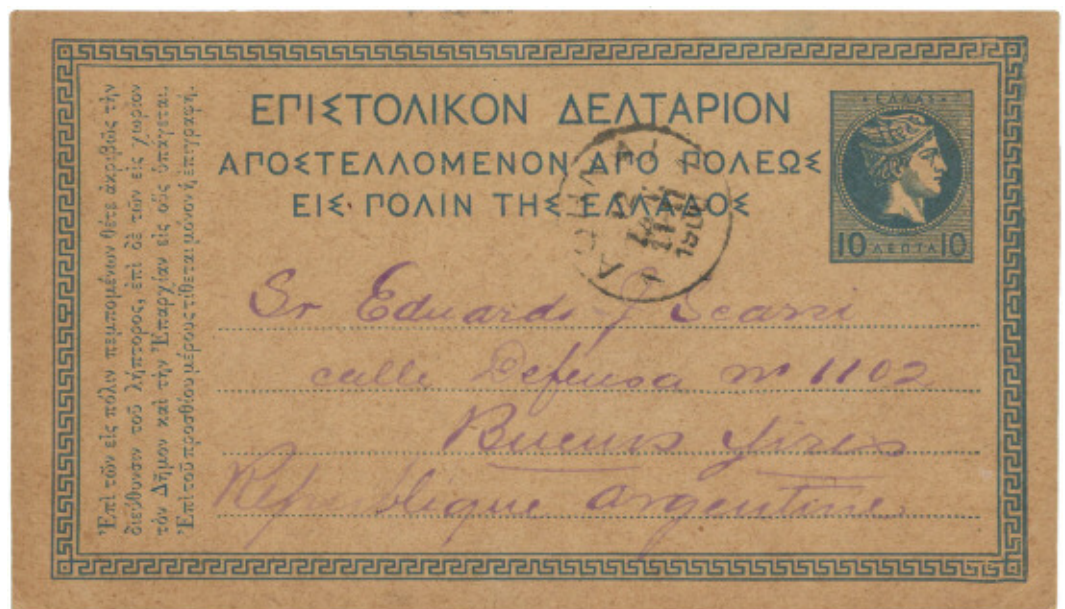


ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 8.ΜΑΡΤ.95
 (Athens) to Poste
 Restante
 Constantinople,
 returned, with "**Nicht
 behoben / Non
 réclamé**" of the
 Austrian Post Office.

1898 printing,
 blue on glossy
 hardboard

Argentina

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 12.ΙΑΝ.1900
 (Athens), sent to
 Buenos Aires.



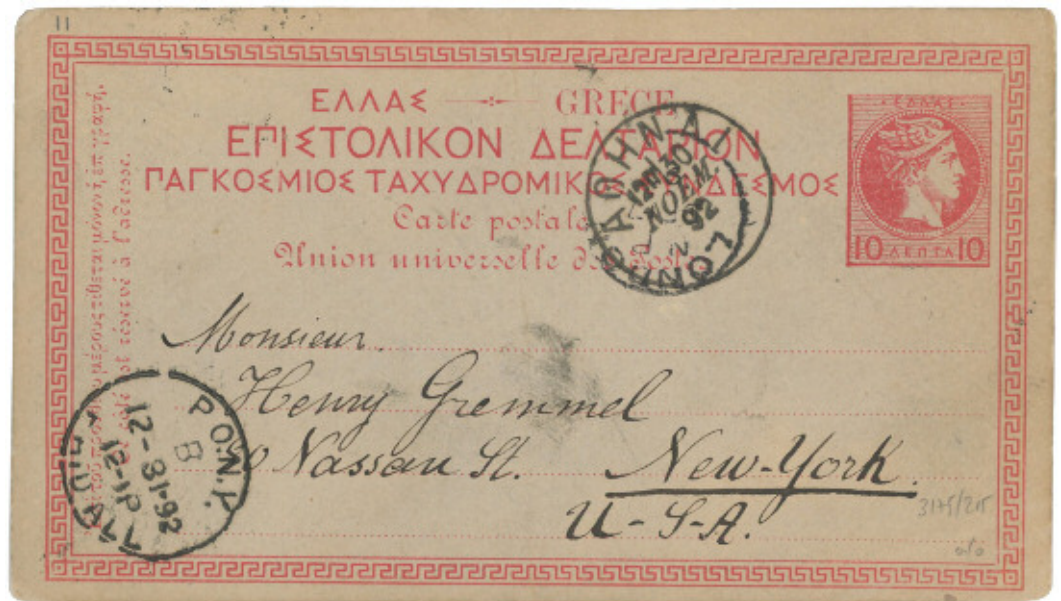
Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

Varieties of cardboards and colors

1892 printing:
rose red on grey-cream

variety
επ γραφή
(without ι)

AΘΗΝΑΙ 30.ΝΟΕΜ.92 (Athens)
to P.O.N.Y 12.31.92, USA, via
LONDON DE.17.92



1892 printing:
lilac-red
on bluish grey

variety
επ γραφή
(without ι)

ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 7.ΦΕΒΡ.93 (Corfu), to
Berlin Postamte 7 22.2.93,
Germany

1892 printing:
lilac-red
on green-bluish grey

AΘΗΝΑΙ 23.ΦΕΒΡ.94 (Athens),
to GENOVA 13.3.94. Returned
with markings **SCONOSCIUTO
DAI PORTALETTERE &
DESTINATAIRE INCONNU.**



Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

1893 printing:
red on blue-grey

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 31.ΜΑΡΤ.95 (Athens)
to TRIEST - TRIESTE 16.4.95,
returned with Austrian label
Unbekannt / Inconnu, from
TRiest STADT 17.4.95 to
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 12.ΑΠΡ.95 (Athens)
and Tripolis.



? printing:
Dull rose-orange
on buff-grey

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 28.ΦΕΒΡ.1897
(Athens) to HEMER 13.3.97,
Germany

Watermark

ΧΑΡΤΗΣ ΔΗΜΟΣΙΑΣ ΥΠΗΡΕΣΙΑΣ

1895 printing:
Dull light lilac-red
on grey-blue

ΛΕΩΝΙΔΙΟΝ 27.ΑΥΓ.95
(Leonidion) to ΑΘΗΝΑΙ
28.ΑΥΓ.95 (Athens)



Large Hermes Head: 2nd issue (Athens)

Re-directed by private post (town of Munich)



ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 17.ΔΕΚΕΜ.1896 (Athens), addressed to Professor *Nikolaus Wecklein* in **MUENCHEN B.U. 4.JAN.97**. Without the full address initially written, it was completed by an associate and redirected to the new address. Since the private postal service in Munich was ½pf cheaper than the German postal service, forwarding was preferred through this service, with 1½pf canceled with **COURIER c 5.1.97. UNIQUE.**

Sent to Marseilles (France)
instead to **Marseilles street** (Athens)

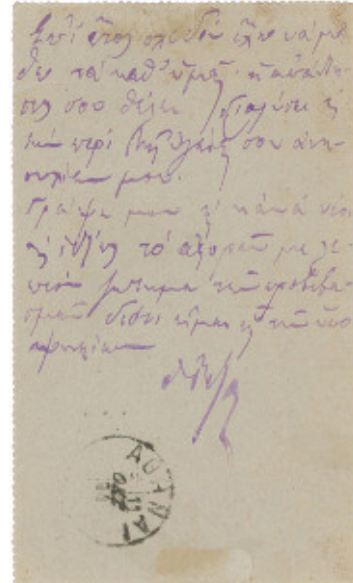


ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 25.ΝΟΕΜ.94 (Athens), addressed to **Rue Caplanon, près de Rue Marseille** (near Marseilles Street) but the sorting center clerk sent the postal card to Marseilles (France), where it was marked as "unknown" three times: **INCONNU A L'APPEL - MARSEILLE - DE LA 1re BRIGADE** (as well as 2me BRIGADE & 3me BRIGADE).

Large Hermes Head: Letter cards

Issued on 1st July 1894

(various Decrees were published in ΦΕΚ 94 Α', on 02.04.1891, ΦΕΚ 227 Α', on 17.08.1891, ΦΕΚ 55 Α', on 05.02.1892 and 63 Β', on 10.06.1894). Printed in Athens.

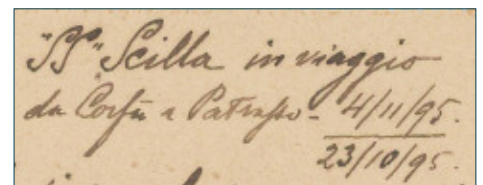


60%

The sender from **ΛΙΓΟΥΔΙΣΤΑ 9.ΟΚΤ.94** (Ligouditsa) needed more space and use the reverse of the letter card...



Illegal shipping to abroad without franking with additional 10λ postage stamp (to reach the rate of 25λ), ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 26.ΙΑΝ.95 (Athens) to CAIRE 10.II.95.



110%

The sender was aboard the Italian steamship **Scilla**, on the route from Corfu to Patras. It was mailed upon return to Corfu.

With additional postage stamp of 10λ (to reach the rate of 25% of gold drachma, i.e. 30λ), ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 25.ΟΚΤ.[95] (Corfu), to MILANO.

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Large Hermes Head: Printed envelopes

Issued on 1st July 1894

(various Decrees were published in ΦΕΚ 94 Α', on 02.04.1891, ΦΕΚ 227 Α', on 17.08.1891, ΦΕΚ 55 Α', on 05.02.1892 and 63 Β', on 10.06.1894). Printed in Athens.

Franked for domestic mail. For international mail the postal rate was 25λ (even as open letter).

21st Day of Issue



Posted to a foreign country, uprated with 10λ (to reach the rate of 25% of gold drachma, i.e. 30λ), ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 20.ΙΟΥΛ.94 (Corfu) to Paris, via ΜΟΝΤΣΕΝΙΣ Α ΠΑΡΙΣ Β 4.ΑΟΥΤ.94.



Illegal shipping to abroad without franking with additional 10λ postage stamp (to reach the rate of 25λ), ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 12.ΑΥΓ.94 (Piraeus) to ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΙΑ 26.VIII.94.

Large Hermes Head: Printed envelopes



Posted to abroad, uprated with 10λ in total (to reach the rate of 25% of gold drachma, i.e. 30λ), ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 27.ΝΟΕΜ.94 (Corfu) to MANNHEIM 12.12.94.



Posted to abroad, uprated with 10λ in total (to reach the rate of 25% of gold drachma, i.e. 30λ), ΣΥΡΟΣ 14.ΦΕΒΡ.1898 (Syros) to KJØBENHAVN 6.3.98.

Large Hermes Head: Printed envelopes

Repiquage



ΜΕΡΤΖΑΝΩΦ & Σα,
from ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 13.ΜΑΙΟΣ.98 (Corfu) to ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 14.ΜΑΙΟΣ.1898 (Athens)

Late use (1901)



ΕΠΡΟΧΩΡΙΟΝ 31.ΙΑΝ.901 προς ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 2.ΦΕΒΡ.1901

Embossed Flying Hermes (private)

Mandatory stamping of private postcards with an embossed Flying Hermes seal

By Law ΒΨΧΘ' (2799) of June 14, 1900 (ΦΕΚ 144 Α', on 15.06.1900) All private publishers of illustrated or plain postcards were required to stamp them with a 5 lepta or 10 lepta embossed seal (depending on the use).

Those without this printed mark could not be mailed, and the State would confiscate any quantities it found.

A single 5 lepta seal and two 10 lepta seals were used, which differ noticeably in the rectangular frames that vertically display "ΕΛΛΑΣ" (in red) as well as in their dimensions.

The second type of the 10 lepta is significantly rarer than the first.



200%



200%

Type I

Type II



70%

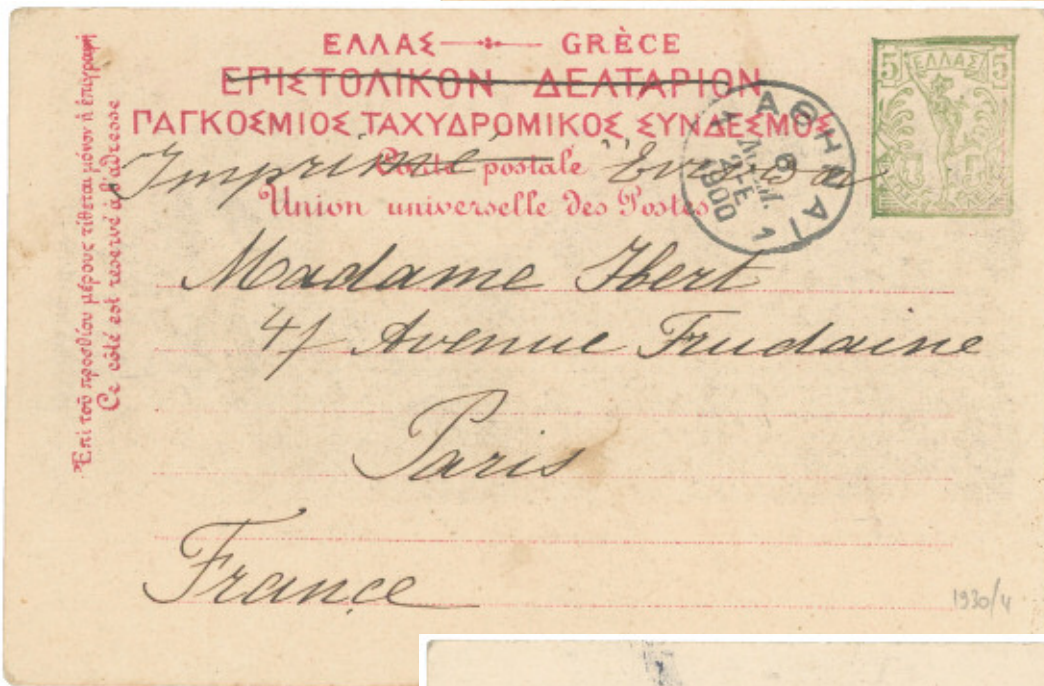
Hotel advertising postcard, with 5λ updated with 5λ small Hermes Head, from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 22.ΑΠΡ.1901 (Athens), to WESTEND 12.5.01

Embossed Flying Hermes (private)

Shades

in various shades of green, from yellow-green to olive green or cypress green

Picture postcard with 5λ cypress green, ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 5. ΑΠΡ.[1901] (Corfu), to Athens. Postcard rate



Picture postcard, with 5λ olive, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 6.ΝΟΕΜ.1900, (Athens) to Paris. Printed matter to abroad rate.

Picture postcard with 5λ yellow-green, uprated with 5λ small Hermes Head, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 18.ΑΠΡ.1901 (Athens), to MUENCHEN 2.B.P.B. 4.ΜΑΙ.01. Postcard rate to abroad rate.



Embossed Flying Hermes (private)

Double picture postcards

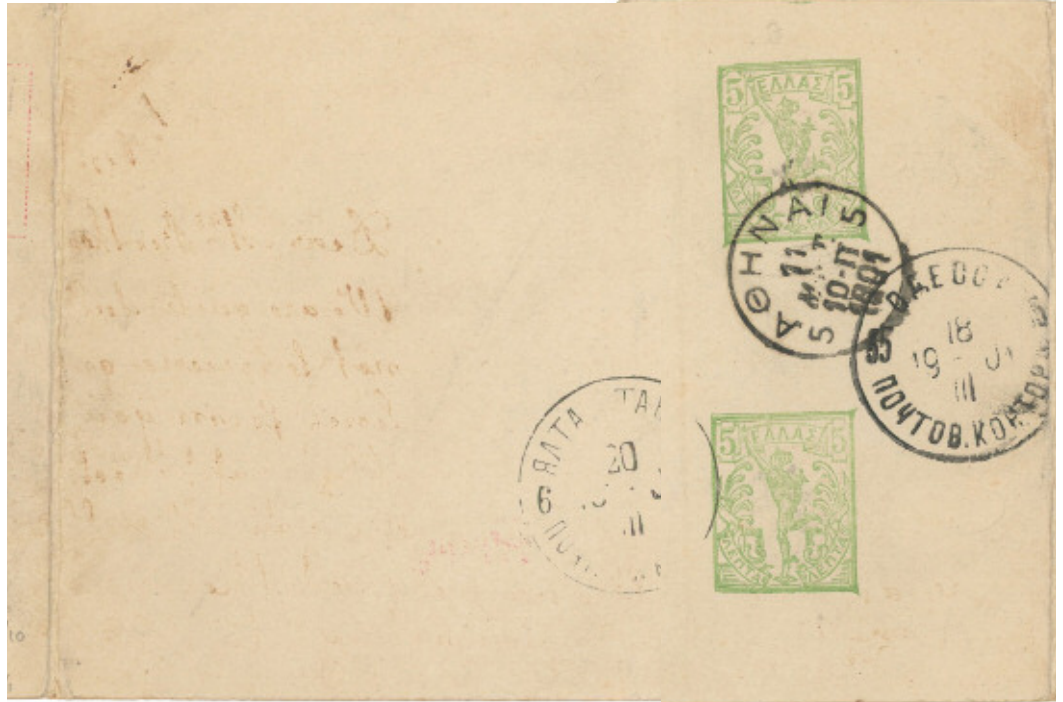
with two imprints. If the postcard was triple, it had to be stamped with three imprints.



33%

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Double picture postcard, with double yellow-green 5λ, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 11.ΜΑΡΤ.1901 (Athens), to ЯАЛТА ТАБРИЯ 20.III.1901 (Yalta) via ΟΔΕССΑ 18.III.1901 (Odessa). Printed matter to abroad rate.



33%



Double picture postcard, with double green 5λ uprated with 10λ (small Hermes Head stamps), ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 20.ΔΕΚΕΜ.1900 (Athens), to BERN 6.I.01. Postcard to abroad rate.

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Embossed Flying Hermes (private)

Posting on Austrian Lloyd steamships

The postal cards were stamped with the datestamps of the steamships.



Picture postcard written aboard on Ceres (at sea between Volos and Piraeus), with green 5λ uprated with 5λ small Hermes Head, canceled with **LLOYD AUSTRIACO XIV 26.5.01**, to S/1 WIEN 64 28.5.01. The recipient had moved to HALLEIN 29.5.01, finally found at PUCH BEI HALLEIN 29.5.

Postcard to abroad rate.

The steamship XIV was the Ceres.



Picture postcard written aboard on Jupiter (at sea between Volos and Piraeus), with yellow-green 5λ uprated with 5λ Flying Hermes, canceled with **LLOYD AUSTRIACO XXXIV 17.8.01**, to L.13 25.8. (Leipzig), via ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 4.ΑΥΓ.[1901]. **Unusual submission of mail**

by the ship's captain to the Greek post office.

Postcard to abroad rate. The steamship XIV was the Jupiter.

Embossed Flying Hermes (private)

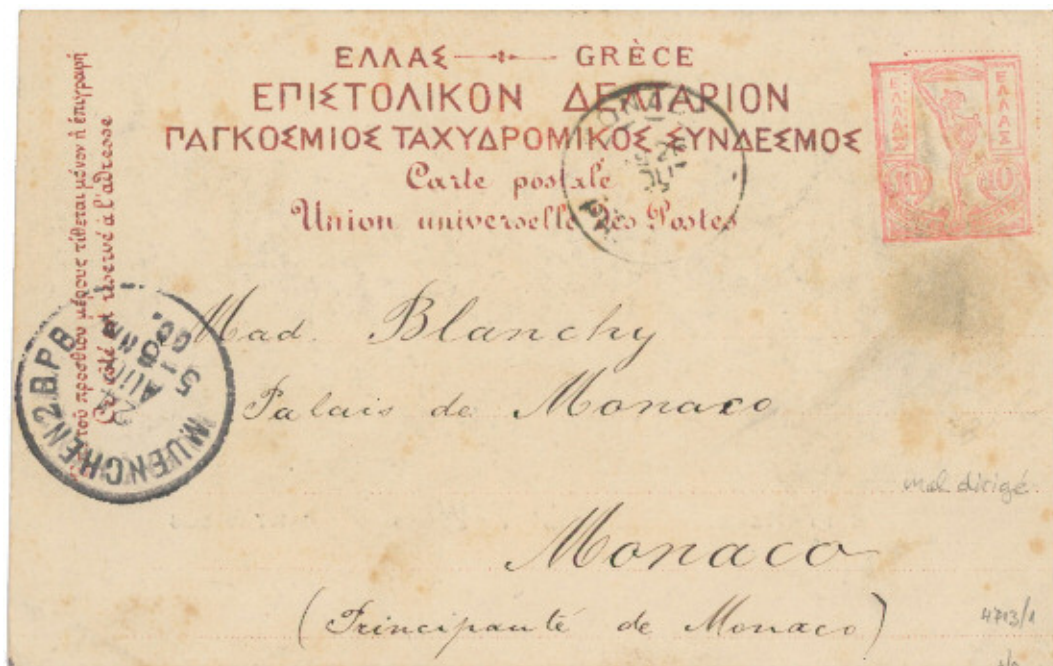
10λ, type I

To the Dutch Antilles



Picture postcard with 10λ **type I**, canceled with ΣΥΡΟΣ 19.ΟΚΤ.1900 to **BANDOENG 29.11.1900** (Java), via ALEXANDRIE 6.XI.00, SUEZ AMBULANT 7. NO.00, COLOMBO NO.18.00, N-1 AGENT SINGAPORE 25.11.1900 and BATAVIA 28.11.1900. *Postcard to abroad rate.*

Incorrectly directed to Munich instead of Monaco!



Picture postcard written in 21.08.1900, with 10λ **τύπος II**, addressed to MONACO 26.AOUT.00, incorrectly directed to **MÜNCHEN 2 BPB 24.AUG.00** (Munich). *Postcard to abroad rate.*

Embossed Flying Hermes (private)



Double picture postcards

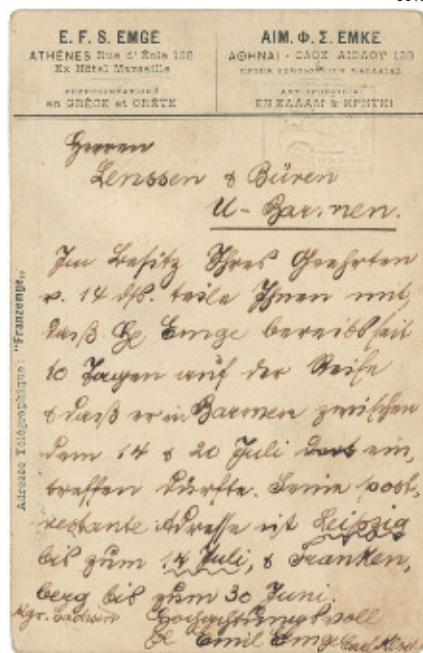
To Uruguay



Double picture postcard with two 10λ type I, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 24.ΦΕΒΡ.1901 to **Montevideo** (Uruguay), via NEW YORK N.Y. MAR.25.1901 (USA). Postcard to abroad rate.

33%

Private coppercual postcard



60%

Private commercial postcard printed by N. Βλαχούτση & Σια with 10λ type I, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 10.ΙΟΥΝ.1901 to BARMEN 27.6.01, Germany. Postcard to abroad rate. Senders **ΑΙΜ. Φ.Σ. ΕΜΚΕ Αθήναι / E.F.S. EMKE Athènes**

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (1st issue)

Postal Cards with Flying Hermes (Giovanni Bologna)

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 150 Α', on 20.06.1900)

Two denominations were issued, 5λ for domestic mail and 10λ for international, as well as the double postcards with paid reply.

They were also used by private publishers who illustrated the reverse

1st Issue: Issued in 16 June 1900

8th Day of Issue



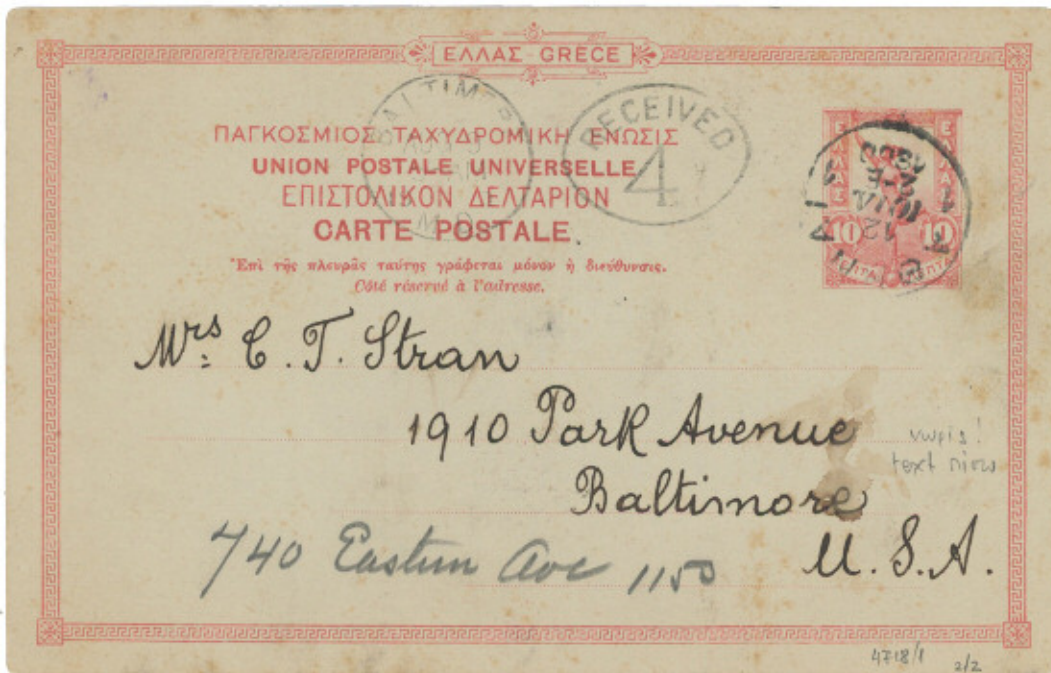
Postal card 5λ, from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 23.ΙΟΥΝ.1900 (Athens) to ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 23.ΙΟΥΝ.900 (Piraeus). Postcard rate.

11th Day of Issue, sent to Cuba



Postal card 5λ uprated with 5λ small Hermes Head, ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 28.ΙΟΥΝ.900 (Corfu) to HAVANA CARRIERS DEPT. CUBA REC.D 30. JUL.1900. Postcard to abroad rate.

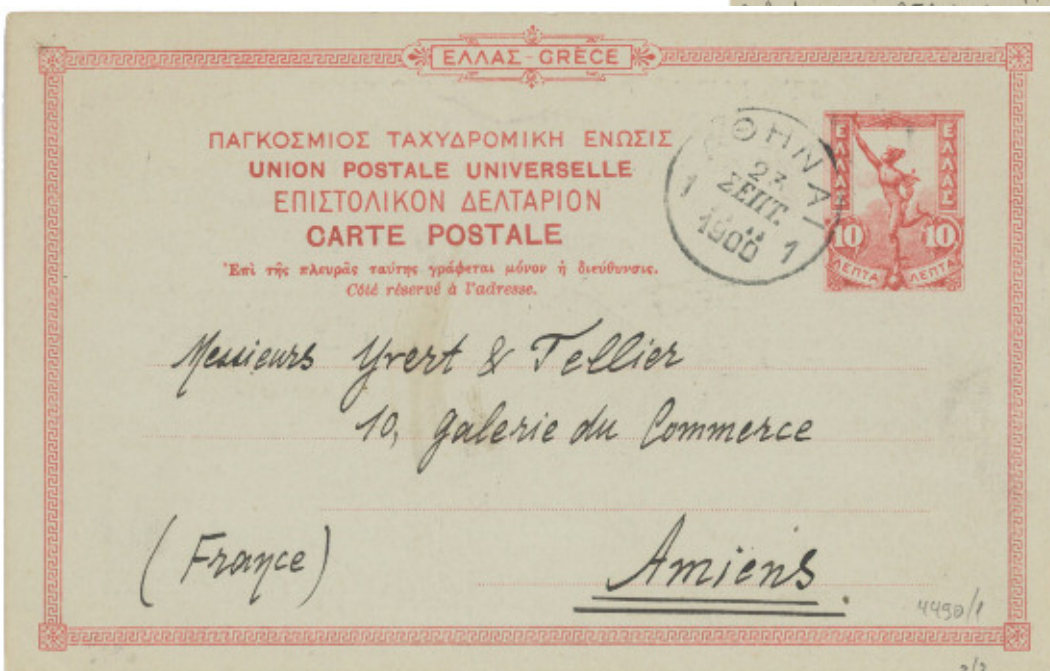
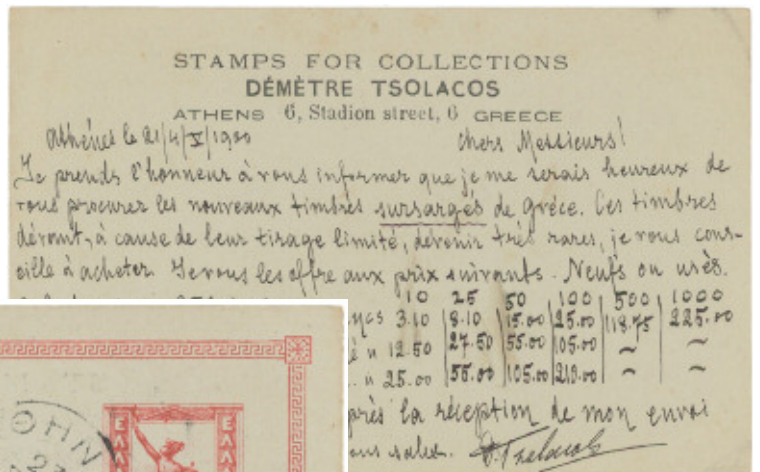
Flying Hermes: Postal cards (1st issue)



Postal card 10λ, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 12.ΙΟΥΛ.1900 (Athens, first month of issue),
to BALTIMORE AUG.9.1900.
Postcard to abroad rate.

Repiquage

Stamps for Collections
DÉMÈTRE TSOLACOS
ATHENS, 6, Stadion street,



Postal card 10λ, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 23.
ΣΕΠΤ.1900 (Athens), to
Amiens.
Postcard to abroad rate.

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (1st issue)

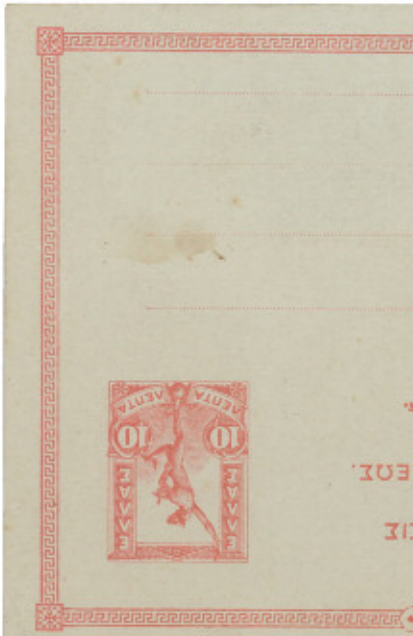
Unknown type of double postal cards (with paid reply)

Although in the first issue of double (with reply) Flying Hermes postal cards the headers UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE and CARTE POSTALE AVEC RÉPONSE PAYÉE ή CARTE POSTALE RÉPONSE are in thicker letters than the corresponding Greek ones, there are a few samples proving the existence and very early circulation of postcards **with thinner lettering**. The unused one is displayed for comparison.

12th Day of Issue

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 27.ΙΟΥΝ.1900,
(Athens, to Paris).
Postcard to abroad rate.

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 4.ΙΟΥΛ.1900
(Athens) to
CHARLEVILLE 23.ΙΟΥΛ.00



Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

2nd issue: New design of the postal cards

There are minor differences in the designs (listed in catalogs).

Different shades of colors and cardboards were used.

The 5λ was likely issued after mid-1901, while the 10λ appeared earlier, in December 1900.

They were reprinted until 1910 but continued to be used for many years afterward!

Correspondingly, double postcards with prepaid reply were printed for both denominations.

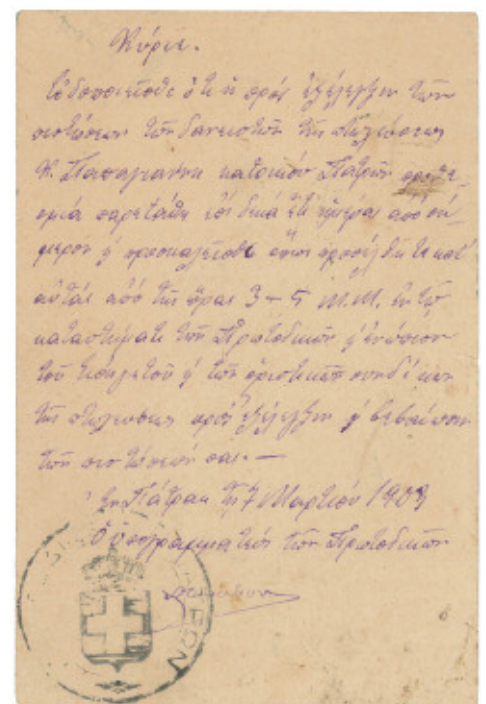


Postal card 5λ, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 **24.ΜΑΙΟΣ.1901** (Athens), sent in town, early date.

Registered



Postal card 5λ uprated with 20λ Flying Hermes, ΠΑΤΡΑΙ 7.ΜΑΡΤ.1903 (Patras), with boxed R-marking **ΣΥΣΤΗΜΕΝΟΝ** (Registered) sent to ΓΥΘΕΙΟΝ 10.ΜΑΡΤ.1903 (Gythion).



Sent by the **ΠΡΩΤΟΔΙΚΕΙΟΝ ΠΑΤΡῶΝ** (Court of First Instance of Patras)

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)



Postal card 5λ, updated with 2λ Flying Hermes and 3λ Olympic Games 1906, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 26. ΑΠΡ:1908 (Athens), to HASSELT 13.ΜΑΙ.1908, Belgium. Postcard to abroad rate.



Double postal card 5λ+5λ (used as "open letter card"), ΛΑΡΙΣΣΑ 29.ΣΕΠ.12 to ΑΘΗΝΑΙ ΚΕΝΤΡΙΚΟΝ 1. ΟΚΤ.12 (Athens).

Sender: a soldier from the 1st Regiment (First Balkan War: 13th day from mobilization, army gathering in Thessaly)

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

Posting on Italian steamships

The postal cards were stamped with the datestamps of the steamships.



BULGARIA PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO 11.GEN.02 (instead of 03)
violet, from Patras to Halle, Germany.



SCILLA PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO 2.MAR.05,
from Patras, to REDEN 6.3.05, Germany

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

Postage Due markings



T (Taxe = Postage Due) of Corfu and **Porto** in Germany, on postal card with 10pf (collected in cash), via ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 19.ΣΕΠΤ.[04], (Corfu), to Braunschweig.

The sender should frank the postal card with 10 lepta, the recipient paid the double of missing rate.

T (Taxe = Postage Due) of Piraeus and **A 0'10** in Barcelona, on postal card with private illustration, ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 17.ΑΥΓ.901 (Piraeus), to GERONA 6.SEP.01 via BARCELONA 5.SEP.01.

The sender should frank the postal card with 10 lepta, the recipient paid the double of missing rate.



T 5c red handwritten notice on postal card redirected from ΦΑΛΗΡΟΝ 15.ΝΟΕΜ.04 (Phaliron) to Aivali, due to the recipient's return to his residence. Arrival AIVALI, sent via SMYRNA OESTERREICHISCHE POST 1 1.12.04 and SMYRNE 1.12.904.

It was correctly mailed with 5 lepta, but to be forwarded abroad, it needed to bear 10 lepta.

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

Special destinations



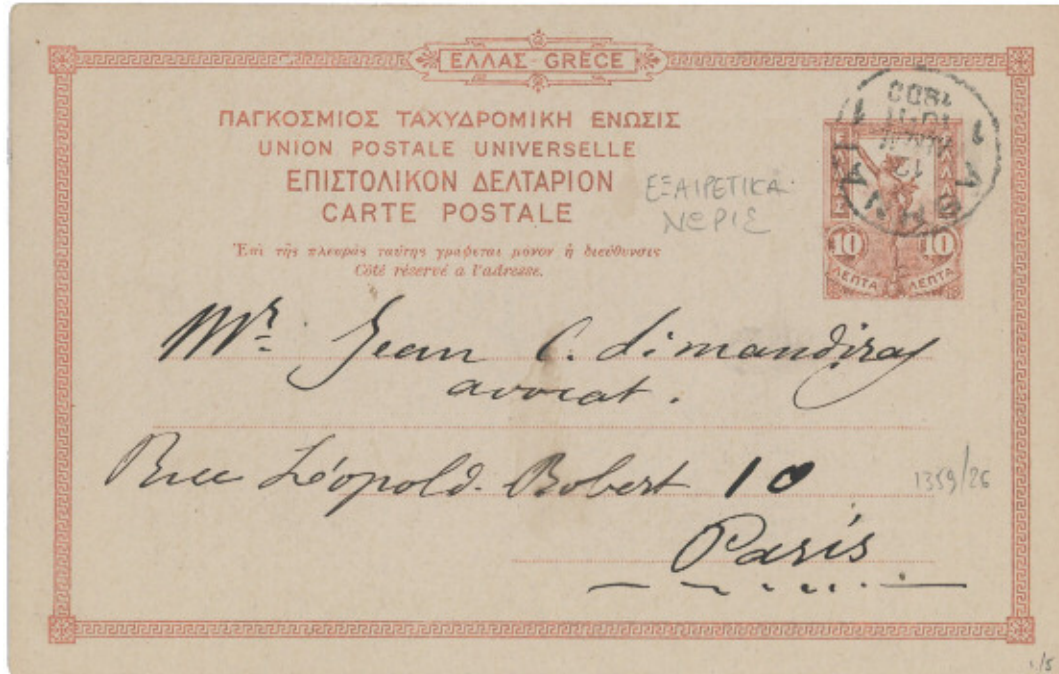
ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) 25.ΙΟΥΝ.09 (Corfu), to **Haiphong, Tonkin**, uprated with 5λ Flying Hermes.



ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 13.ΜΑΡΤ.07 (Piraeus) to **Rio de Janeiro, Brasil**, uprated with 5λ Flying Hermes.

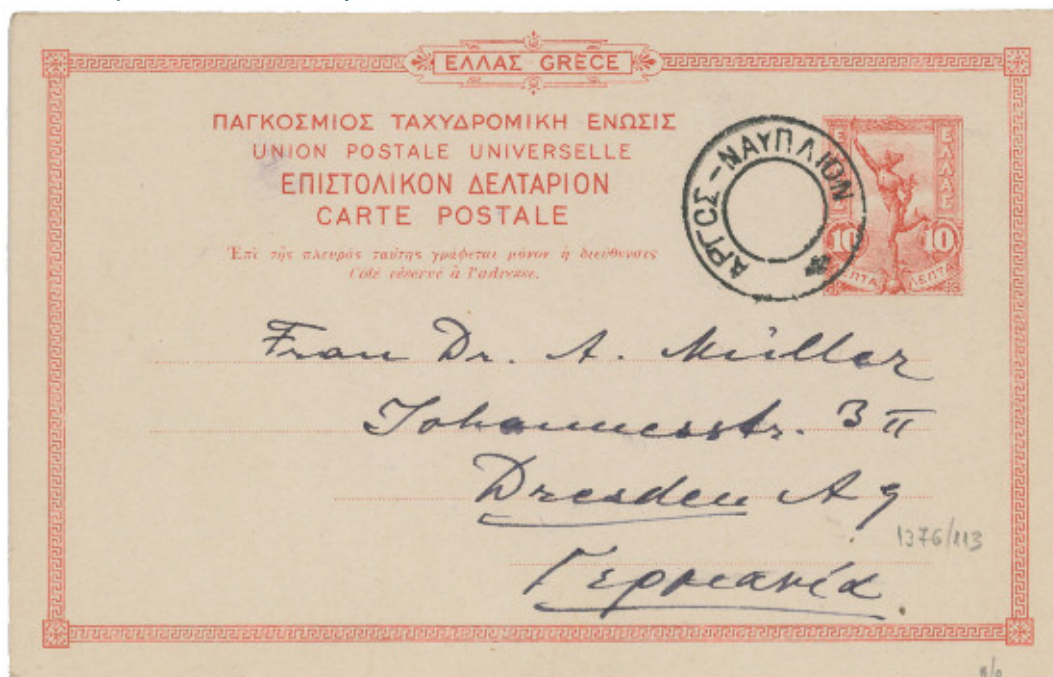
Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

Early postage



ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 12.ΔΕΚΕΜ.1900 (Athens), to Paris

Railway (ambulant) postmark



ΑΡΓΟΣ-ΝΑΥΠΛΙΟΝ (Argos-Nafplion, ambulant),
from Nafplion 27.04.1909 to Dresden, Germany

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

Reposted, from Germany to Italy



AΘΗΝΑΙ 5 13.ΜΑΡΤ.1903, (Athens) to MUENCHEN 2 B P.B 31.MAR.03.
The sender was in Italy, so the recipient's company (or a close associate)
stamped the postcard with the violet stamp, affixed a 5pf Bavarian
stamp, and mailed it on the same day, **MUENCHEN 2 B P.B 31.MAR.03** to
RIVA 1.4.03 Austria.
(nowadays Riva del Garda, Italy)

Reposted in Egypt



AΘΗΝΑΙ 1 4.IAN.1902 (Athens) on postal card with private illustration, to
FAKOUS 7.JA.02. The close person who took on sending the postcard to
the recipient in Mansoura affixed 3x1 mils stamps, which were canceled
upon arrival in MANSOURA 9.I.02.

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

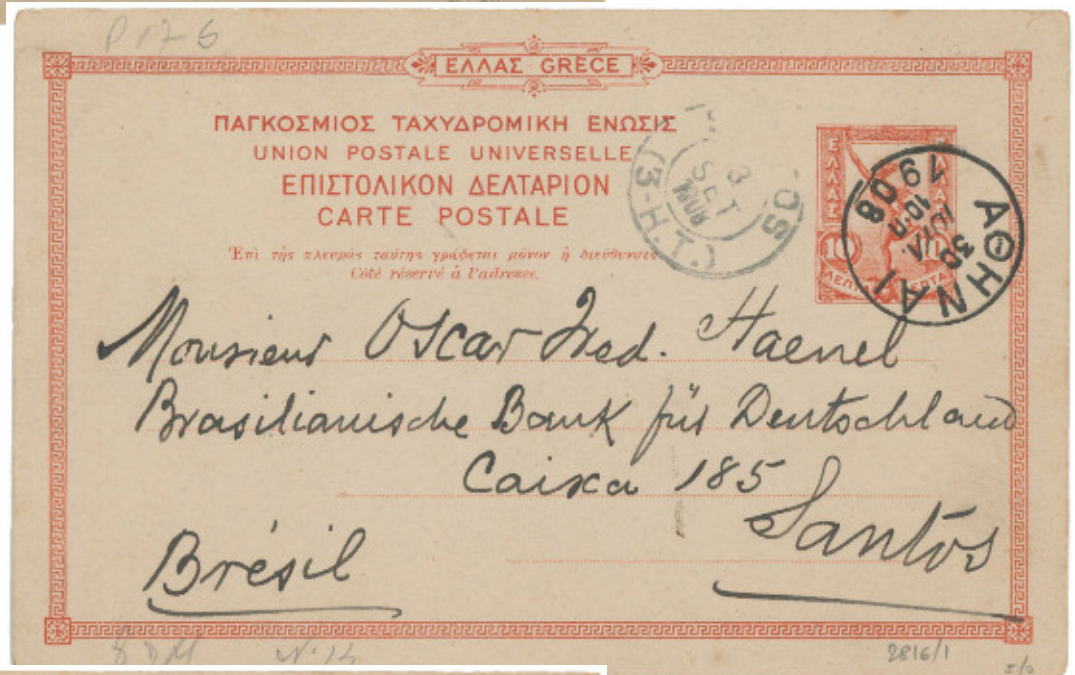


Shanghai, China

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 11.ΙΑΝ.1902
(Athens) to **Shanghai, China**,
via **SINGAPORE 10 HONG-KONG FE.24.02**

Brasil

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 30.ΙΟΥΛ.1908
(Athens), to **SANTOS 3-H.T. 3.**
SET.1908, Brasil

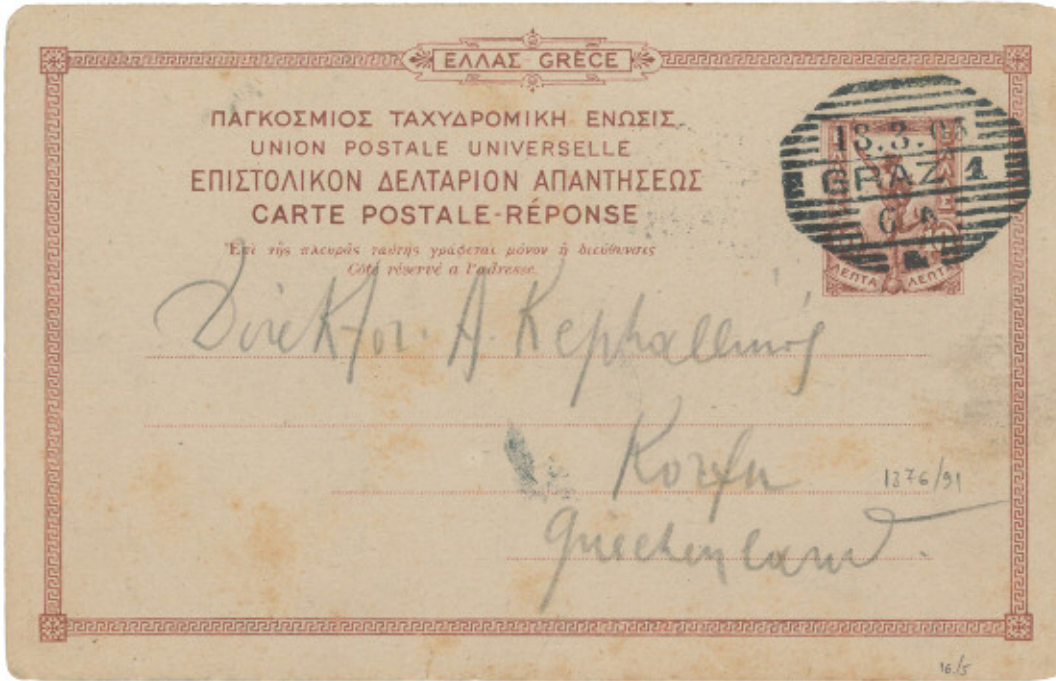


Argentina

Athens 27.2.12
to **Rosario Calle, Αργεντινή**



Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)



Properly used
REPLY,
from Graz

GRAZ 1 18.3.05, to Corfu

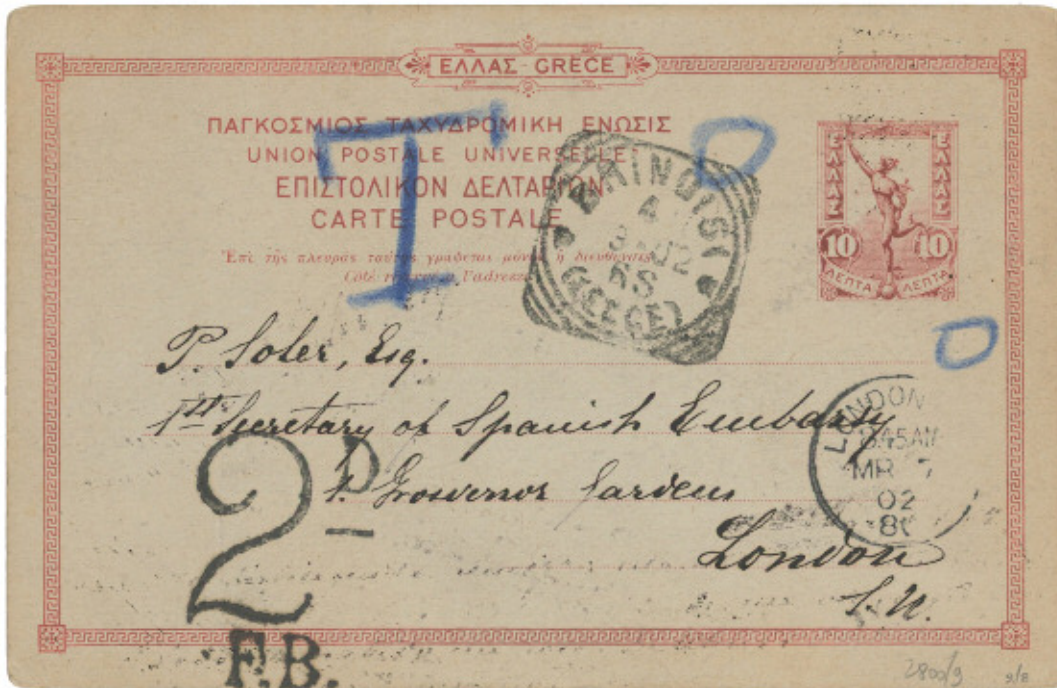
**PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO
(BARI) 11.NOV.1902** violet
to TRIEST 1 TRIESTE 13.11.02



ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΛΟΓΟΚΡΙΣΙΑ 13 (Hellenic Censorship) on double postal card
10λ+10λ, from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) 23.ΜΑΙ.18 (Athens) to Thira.

Flying Hermes: Postal cards (2nd issue)

Greek postage not accepted in Italy



10λ picture postal card (publisher Goulis, Corfu) written at sea aboard the Italian steamship **Montenegro** in 3.3.1902. The sender did not hand it over to the ship (if it had been stamped with the ship's datemark, it would not have been considered unpaid) but instead posted it at the Italian Post Office in **BRINDISI (LECCE) 4.3.02**. The office did not accept the printed Greek postage and marked it as unpaid (correctly) with two circles and a handwritten "T".

In London on MR.7.02, it was marked with a postage due marking, **2d F.B.**

MISSENT TO NEW YORK



ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 10.ΦΕΒΡ.1903 (Athens), to **K. und K. MILIT. POST SARAJEVO 25.3.03**. Missent by mistake to ΗΠΑ, where received the **MISSENT TO NEW YORK** and was forwarded to Bosnia.

Flying Hermes: Illustrated cards (PTT)

Official issue of illustrated postal cards

Twelve series of 32 were issued, totaling 384 images, along with a new image that replaced No. 353. They were printed by Dr. Trenkler Co in Leipzig, which also collaborated with other Greek illustrated postcard publishers. They were issued in two denominations, 5 lepta and 10 lepta, and the images were printed in either one or three colors. At the end of WWI, the remaining stock was overprinted with ΣΤΡΑΤΙΩΤΙΚΟΝ ΔΕΛΤΑΡΙΟΝ ΑΤΕΛΕΣ (Free of Charge Military Postcard) and were offered to the Greek and Allied Armies.

42%



Picture Nr 181 **without printed reverse or embossed**, essay!

essay without printed reverse



without embossing

Posted as printed matter to Burgos, Spain, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 31. ΜΑΡΤ.1903 (Athens)



number 168



number 26, of the first set (large D.T.C logo).

Flying Hermes: Illustrated cards (PTT)

double embossing

number 72

ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 25.ΙΟΥΛ.02
(Piraeus) to Tinos



number 192

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1.ΔΕΚΕΜ.02
(Athens) to FOIX 19.12.02

new use & postage (from the recipient)



43%

number 89

ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 19.ΣΕΠΤ.901
(Piraeus) to Virton, Belgium.
New postage, with 5c,
VIRTON 7.OCTO.1901 to Saint
Maro.



Flying Hermes: Illustrated cards (PTT)



PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO (BARI) 5.AGO.902 violet to TARANTO 6.8.02.



ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 24.ΔΕΚΕΜ.[02] (Corfu) to Noumea, New Caledonia, via SYDNEY FE.11.03. Printed matter rate (5λ)



Postal card with text, it should be franked with 10λ. Circular T (Taxe / Postage Due) and charged 1D F.B. to be collected at BLACKBURN DE.22.02 by the recipient. Postcard rate (10λ).

Flying Hermes: Letter cards (1st issue)

Letter cards with Flying Hermes (Giovanni Bologna)

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 283 Α', on 11.12.1900)

Denomination 10λ, with two different perforations, 11½ & 13½, without text on reverse.

1st issue: Issued in 12 December 1900

18th Day of Issue (11½)



on light green-blue paper
ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 29.ΔΕΚΕΜ.1900
(Piraeus), to ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 29.
ΔΕΚΕΜ.1900 (Athens).



(13½)



on light blue paper
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 3.ΙΟΥΝ.1901
(Athens) uprated with
3x5λ small Hermes
Head, to BERN 19.VI.01.

Flying Hermes: Letter cards (2nd issue)

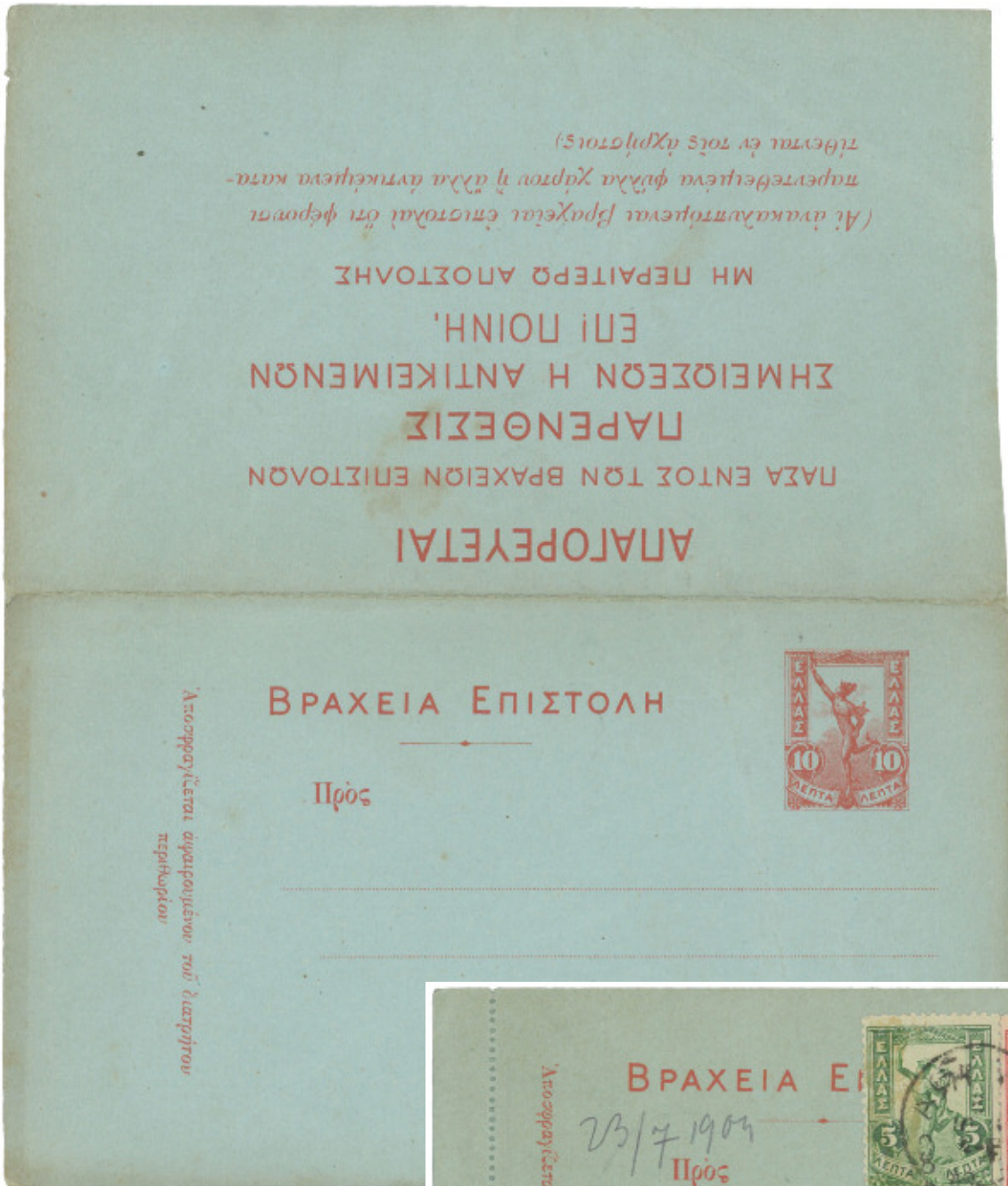
With text prohibiting the insertion of any additional piece of paper
(Decree in ΦΕΚ 124 Α', on 09.06.1901)

Perforated 13½, with regular font for **ποσφρα** of the word **Αποσφραγίζεται**.

2η Issue: Issued in the second half of 1901

not perforated

on light blue paper
(not cut sheet)



From 04.05.1904, the use of Letter cards for international mail was permitted. Senders had to uprate with 15 lepta to complete the rate of 25λ.

on light green-blue paper
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 8 6.ΙΟΥΛ.1904 (Athens)
to KARLSBAD 1 26.VII.04



Flying Hermes: Letter cards (2nd issue)

During the period from 12.12.1900 to 03.05.1904, the use of Letter cards for international mail was not permitted. However, some are found with an additional 15 lepta postage to complete the 25 lepta international letter rate (irregular, but tacitly accepted), or with a 25 lepta stamp affixed (correctly), or even 50 lepta for registered mail. The rest was taxed and the recipient paid the missing rate.

on light blue paper
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 10.ΙΟΥΛ.1902
(Athens) to
Berlin Postamte 35 27.7.02



on light blue paper
ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 27.ΣΕΠΤ.[03] (Corfu) **with T marking** to K und K. MILIT. POST SARAJEVO 14.10.03 (postage due not paid).



on light blue paper
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 3 2.ΜΑΡΤ.1902 (Athens)
registered with 50λ postage stamps to CASSEL 1 19.3.02

on light blue paper
ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 11.ΙΟΥΝ.[03] (Corfu)
uprated with 15λ and marked with **T**. The recipient paid the **postage due of 20c** (the double of missing rate), LAUSANNE 26.VI.03.



Flying Hermes: Letter cards (3rd issue)

3η issue: Issued on 1902

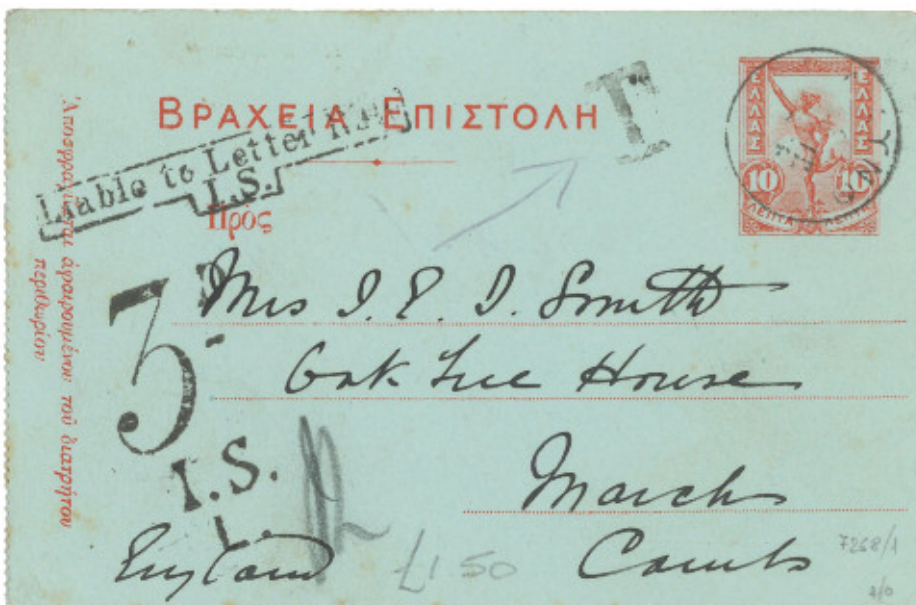
In the literature, it is not mentioned as a different issue, nor was a Decree issued, yet a correction was made to the word **Αποσφραγίζεται**, where the regular **ποσφρα** became italics: **Αποσφραγίζεται**



printer's waste
(printing essay)

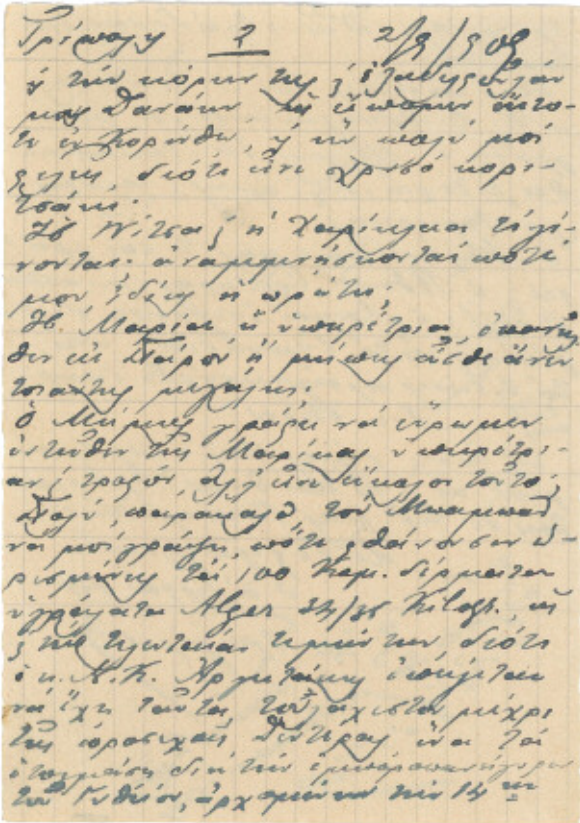
Repiquage

on light green-blue paper
ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 16.ΟΚΤ.1908
(Piraeus), printed with
ΑΔΕΛΦ. Ν. ΑΓΓΕΛΟΠΟΥΛΟΙ
Ἐν Πειραιεῖ

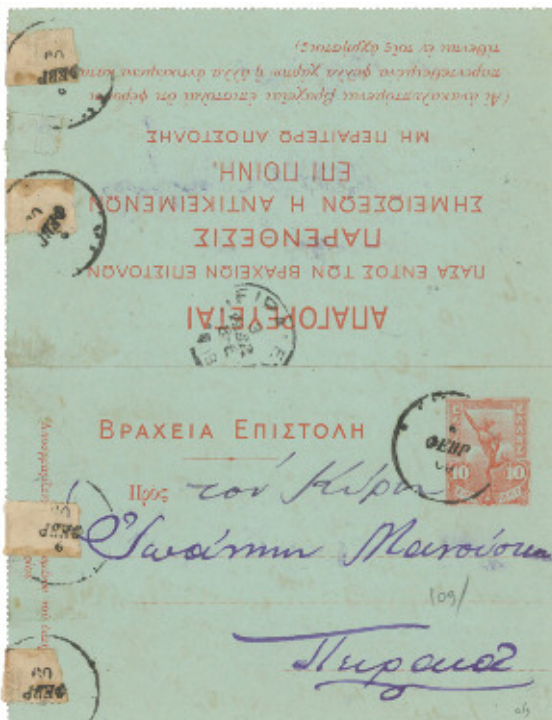


on light blue paper
ΖΑΚΥΝΘΟΣ 20[?].ΣΕΠΤ.[06] (Zante), via
ΚΕΡΚΥΡΑ 24.ΣΕΠΤ.1906 (Corfu) posted
to abroad without being uprated with
15 lepta.
Marking **T** and **Liable to Letter Rate**
/I.S. [I.S.: Inland Section] upon
arrival. The letter rate was 2½d, only
1d paid, missig rate 1½d x2 (doubled)
= **3D I.S.L.**

Flying Hermes: Letter cards (3rd issue)



Tripolis 2/9/909, with a piece of paper inserted (2nd page) which went unnoticed, and the Letter card arrived the same day in ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ (ΑΦΙΕΙΣ) 2.ΣΕΠ.09 (Piraeus).



ΔΑΥΛΕΙΑ 2.ΦΕΒΡ.09 (Davlia), with piece of paper inserted which was noticed by the postal clerk. It must have been removed in the sender's presence, after which the margin was sealed.

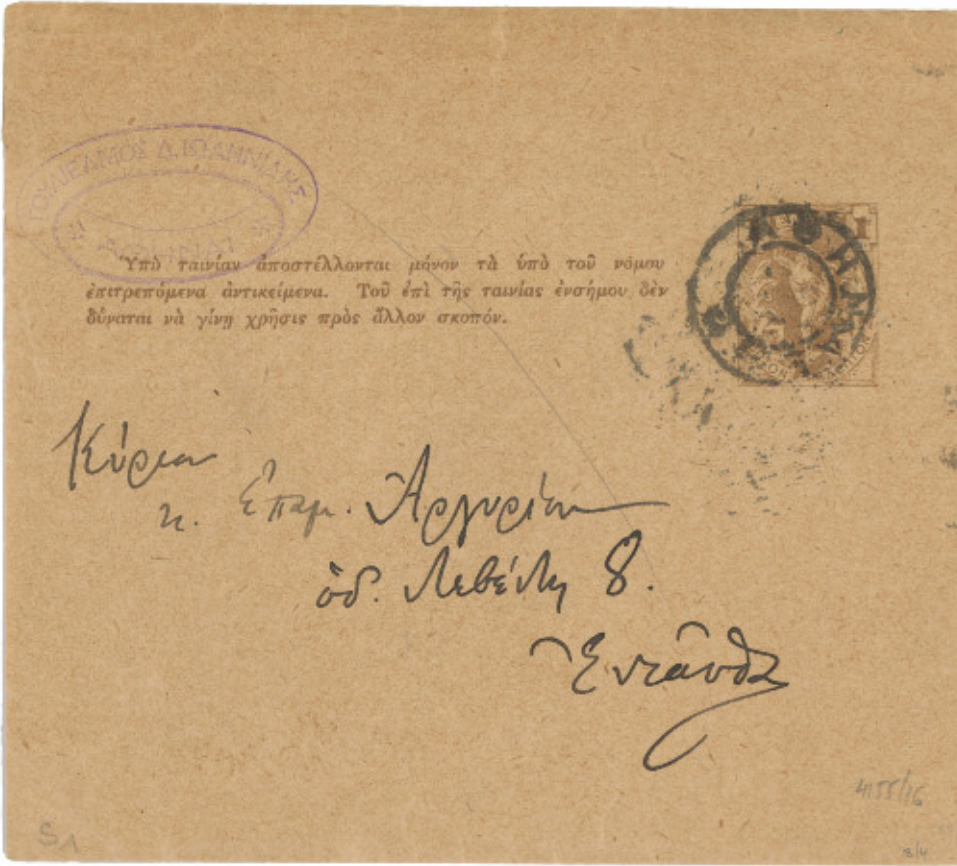
Flying Hermes: Wrappers

WRAPPERS for Newspapers, Legal Document and Printed matter

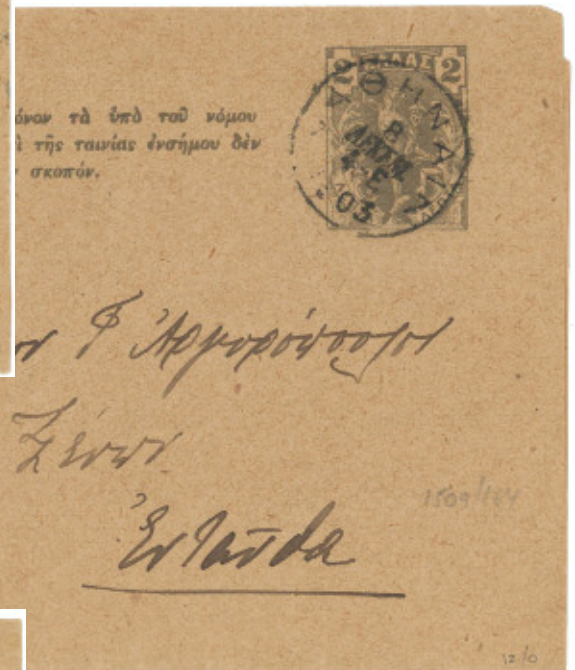
(Decree in ΦΕΚ 46 Α', on 27.02.1901)

The denominations of 1λ, 2λ, and 5λ were issued, while the Post Office sold them for 1 lepton more to cover the paper cost. Although they were scheduled to be valid until 31.12.1902, they remained in use until they were exhausted.

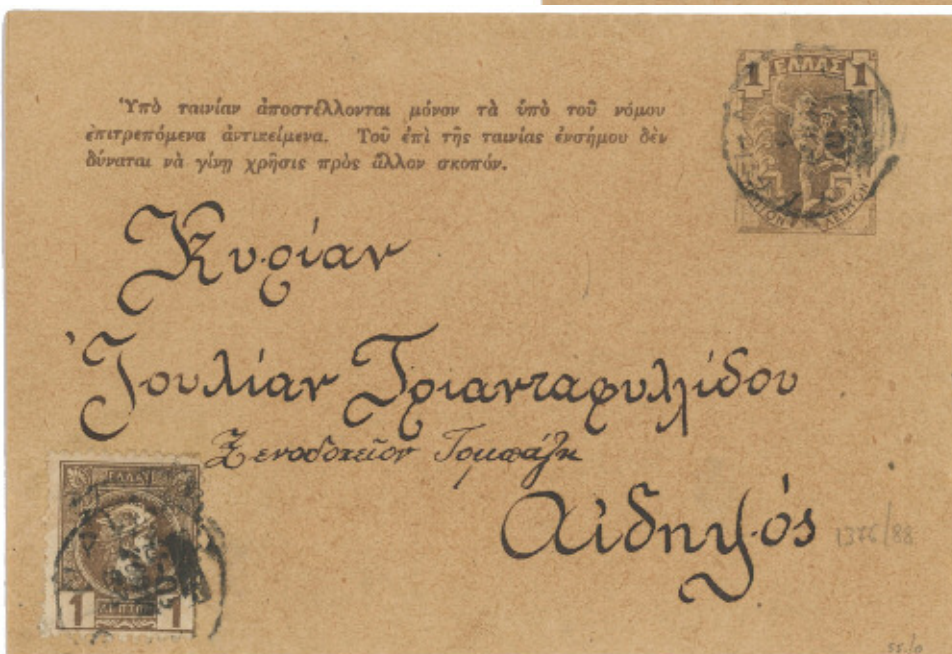
Issue 1st March 1901



ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (Athens, type V),
on 1λ wrapper, rate for a
quarterly publication



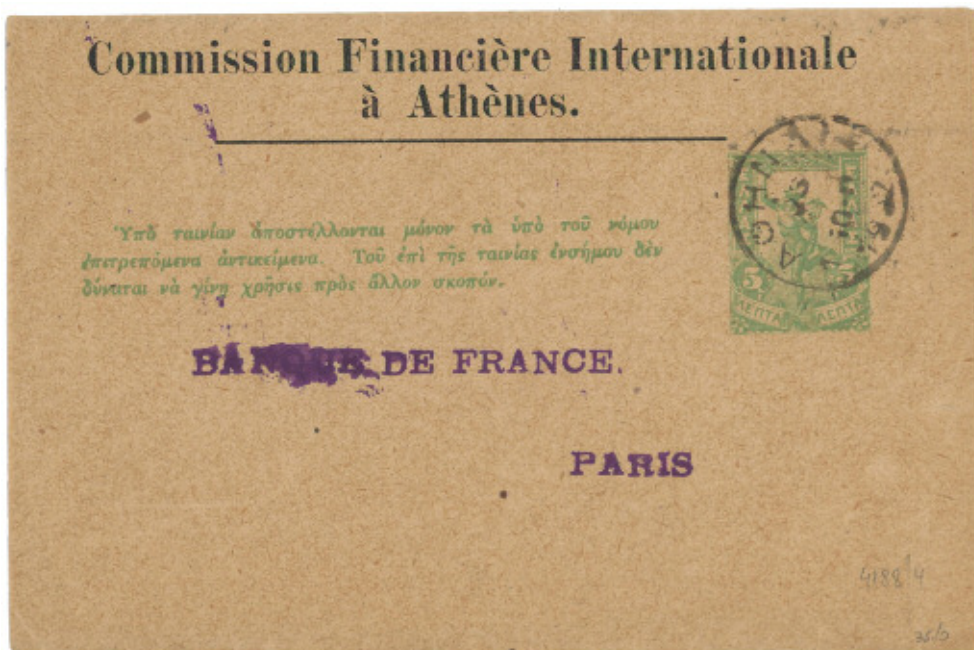
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 7 8.ΔΕΚΕΜ.1903
(Athens), on 2λ wrapper,
printed matter <50gr rate



ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 8 28.ΜΑΙΟΣ.1901 (Athens)
to Aedipsos, on 1λ wrapper
uprated with 1λ small Hermes
Head, printed matter <50gr rate

Flying Hermes: Wrappers

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 2 25.ΙΟΥΝ.[03] (Athens) to Italy, on 1λ wrapper uprated with 4x1λ Flying Hermes, business documents rate <50gr.



Repiquage:
Commission Financière Internationale à Athènes

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1 23.[?].1902 (Athens) to France, on 5λ wrapper, business documents rate <50gr.

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) 10.ΑΥΓ.12 (Athens), on 5λ wrapper uprated with 5λ engraved 1911. Postage due 10c, tied with LUCERN 27.VIII.12. Printed matter >100gr, the sender paid only the rate for <100gr.



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PARCEL POST Forms, to Abroad

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 137 Α', on 30.06.1901)

One Form with denomination 75λ was issued. By Decree in ΦΕΚ 405 Α' on 31.12.1914, all Parcel Post Forms were devalued and overprinted with stamps indicating ΑΞΙΑΣ ΛΕΠΤΩΝ 5 (Value 5 lepta: document value).

Issue: 2 July 1901, valid until 31 March 1915



Engraved Die proof of the value of 75λ.

The same design was used for the Domestic Money Order Forms

Form of 75λ, uprated with 50λ "Parcel Post" and 1δρχ engraved (**in total 2,25δρχ**). Parcel with dried hides, mailed from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΕΜΑΤΑ) 27.ΙΟΥΛ.13 (Athens), to Basel, Switzerland. Via DOMODOSSOLA 20.VIII.13, charged with F.D. 10cts (Custom fees)

informatio Veli Nubale

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES. ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ. **COUPON. ΑΠΟΚΟΜΜΑ.**

Τίμβρο του γραφείου αποστολής

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 27 ΙΟΥΛ 1913

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ **COLIS POSTAUX. ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΑ ΔΕΜΑΤΑ.**

BULLETIN D'EXPÉDITION. ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ.

Ci-joint Συνημμένων εδ. } 1 Paquet (paquet, rouleau, boîte, panier, etc. δέμα, κύλινδρος, κατίον, καλάθος, κ.λ.π.)

Déclaration du contenu Δήλωση του περιεχομένου } *Boyaux Secs*

Declarations en douane, N°. Τελωνειακά διατάγματα, Αριθ. } 25.1113

Adresse du destinataire Εξυγραφή του παραλήπτη } *Messieurs Wylor Frères*

Lieu de destination Τόπος προορισμού } *Bâle Suisse*

Domicile du destinataire Κατάστημα του παραλήπτη } *FRANÇO DE BAZIL*

Αριθμός του εμπορεύματος *4500*

Νο. Gr. Χάρος πρὸς ἐπικόλλησιν ἠριθμημένου τεμαχίου χάρτου.

ΑΘΗΝΕΣ 3886 1913

50 ΛΕΠΤΑ 50

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POSTES HELLÉNIQUES
ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ
ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ

COLIS POSTAUX.
ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΑ
ΔΕΜΑΤΑ.

BULLETTIN D'EXPÉDITION.
ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ.

(Ci-joint
συνημμένων κ.λπ.) *Paquet* {paquet, rouleau, boîte, panier, etc.
δέμα, κύλιτρος, κνίτιον, καλάθος, κ.λπ.

Déclaration du contenu
Δήλωση του περιεχομένου } *Livres*

Déclarations en douane N°.
Λογιστικά διασαφήσεις, Ἄριθ.

Adresse du destinataire
Ἐπιγραφή τοῦ παραλήπτου } *Kossuch János
Budapest*

Lieu de destination
Τόπος προορισμοῦ } *Trieste (Austria)*

Domicile du destinataire
Κατοικία τοῦ παραλήπτου }

Poids vérifié.
Βάρος ἐπιληθθέντος.

N° Gr. *900*

N° Gr.

N° Gr.

Numéro du colis.
Ἄριθ. τοῦ δέματος.

Xώρας
ἡρῶς

ATHÈNES
1721
1912

TRIEST

TRIEST

Form of 75λ, uprated with 25λ and 16px engraved (in total 2δpx). Parcel with books, from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 20.MAR.12 (Athens) to BUDAPEST 70 912.APR.21, Hungary. Via TRIEST 8 M 18.IV.12. VAMMENTES (without customs fees).

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES
ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ
ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ

COLIS POSTAUX.
ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΑ
ΔΕΜΑΤΑ

BULLETTIN D'EXPÉDITION.
ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ.

(Ci-joint
συνημμένων κ.λπ.) *Paquet* {paquet, rouleau, boîte, panier, etc.
δέμα, κύλιτρος, κνίτιον, καλάθος, κ.λπ.

Déclaration du contenu
Δήλωση του περιεχομένου } *Peaux d'animaux sauvages*

Déclarations en douane N°.
Λογιστικά διασαφήσεις, Ἄριθ.

Adresse du destinataire
Ἐπιγραφή τοῦ παραλήπτου } *T. J. Bucura & Cie*

Lieu de destination
Τόπος προορισμοῦ } *Trieste (Austria)*

Domicile du destinataire
Κατοικία τοῦ παραλήπτου }

Poids vérifié.
Βάρος ἐπιληθθέντος.

N° Gr. *900*

N° Gr.

N° Gr.

Numéro du colis.
Ἄριθ. τοῦ δέματος.

Xώρας
ἡρῶς

ATHÈNES
1721
1912

TRIEST

TRIEST

Form of 75λ, uprated with pair of 16px engraved and 25λ lithographic definitive (in total 3δpx). Parcel with wild animal hides, from ΛΑΜΙΑ 18. ΑΠΡ.13 (Lamia), to TRIEST 8 M 19.V.13.

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES. ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ. COUPON. ΑΠΟΚΟΜΜΑ.

Τμήμα του γραφείου αποστολών ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΕΜΑΤΑ) 25 ΙΟΥΝ 12 9 Π

Νομ, prénom et domicile de l'expéditeur. Όνομα, επώνυμο και κατοικία του αποστολέα.

Theodore Apostolopoulos Rue Euxipidou n° 6

Αριθμός γραφείου αποστολών 709

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ

COLIS POSTAUX. ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΑ ΔΕΜΑΤΑ.

BULLETIN D'EXPÉDITION. ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ.

Ci-joint Συνημμένων φύδων } (paquet, rouleau, boîte, panier, etc. δέμα, κύλινδρος, κουτίον, καλάθος, κ.λπ.)

Déclaration du contenu Δήλωση του περιεχομένου

Déclarations en douane, N° Τελωνειακά διασαφήσεις, Αριθ.

Adresse du destinataire Έπιγραφή του παραλήπτη M. Chr. Couppras

Lieu de destination Τόπος προορισμού Larnaca

Domicile du destinataire Κατοικία του παραλήπτη {Κύπρου}

Poids vérifié Βάρος επαληθευθέν.	Numéro du colis. Αριθ. του δέματος.	Acheminement. Όδός αποστολής.
N° 3900	Χώρος πρὸς ἐπικόλλησιν ἠριθμημένου τεμαχίου χάρτου.	ATHÈNES 3409 1912

Σταμπες: ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΕΜΑΤΑ) 25 ΙΟΥΝ 12 9 Π, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1912, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π

Form of 75λ, uprated with 2.25δρχ engraved (in total 3δρχ). Parcel from ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΕΜΑΤΑ) 25.ΙΟΥΝ.12 (Athens) to Larnaca, Cyprus, via ALEXANDRIA PARCELS EXCHANGE OFFICE 18.VII.12 & PORT-SAID P 19.VII.12.

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES. ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ. COUPON. ΑΠΟΚΟΜΜΑ.

Τμήμα του γραφείου αποστολών ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 4 ΔΕΚ 14 11 Π

Νομ, prénom et domicile de l'expéditeur. Όνομα, επώνυμο και κατοικία του αποστολέα.

Mo... Drogues

Αριθμός γραφείου αποστολών 709

POSTES HELLÉNIQUES ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ

COLIS POSTAUX. ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΑ ΔΕΜΑΤΑ.

BULLETIN D'EXPÉDITION. ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ.

Ci-joint Συνημμένων φύδων } (paquet, rouleau, boîte, panier, etc. δέμα, κύλινδρος, κουτίον, καλάθος, κ.λπ.)

Déclaration du contenu Δήλωση του περιεχομένου Opium

Déclarations en douane, N° Τελωνειακά διασαφήσεις, Αριθ.

Adresse du destinataire Έπιγραφή του παραλήπτη M. Pubick & Dolder

Lieu de destination Τόπος προορισμού Drogues

Domicile du destinataire Κατοικία του παραλήπτη Bâle (Suisse)

Poids vérifié Βάρος επαληθευθέν.	Numéro du colis. Αριθ. του δέματος.	Acheminement. Όδός αποστολής.
N° 186, 187, 188	Χώρος πρὸς ἐπικόλλησιν ἠριθμημένου τεμαχίου χάρτου.	Bureau d'échange Hellénique. Άνταλλακτήριον Έλληνοῦ Γραφείου. 1376/95

Σταμπες: ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 4 ΔΕΚ 14 11 Π, ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 1912, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π, ΑΕΜΑΤΑ 5 Π

Form of 75λ, uprated with 6.75δρχ (in total 7.50δρχ). Three parcels from the newly established postal branch ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ ΠΑΡΑ ΤΗ ΕΥΡΩΠΑΪΚΗ ΣΥΝΟΙΚΙΑ ΠΑΡΑΡΤΗΜΑ 1 (Thessaloniki, European quarter), with ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 4.ΔΕΚ.14 sent to Basel, Switzerland, via DOMODOSSOLA 3.1.15. Charged with SFr 1.70. 57

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PARCEL POST Forms, to inland

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 177 Α', on 20.08.1901)

Forms with denominations 50λ, 1δρχ, 1.50δρχ and 2δρχ were issued.

By Decree in ΦΕΚ 405 Α' on 31.12.1914, all Parcel Post Forms were devalued and overprinted with stamps indicating ΑΞΙΑΣ ΛΕΠΤΩΝ 5 (Value 5 lepta: document value).

Issue: 2 July 1901, valid until 31 March 1915



Engraved Die proof of the value of 1δρχ. The same design was used for the Domestic Money Order Forms

Inland Parcel Post form of **1δρχ**, without the surcharge ΑΞΙΑΣ ΛΕΠΤΩΝ 5, but correctly, the printed fee of 1 drachma was not applied. Postage stamps of **1,15δρχ** were applied, tied with **TENEΔΟΣ 12. ΜΑΙΟΣ.20** (Tenedos: Bozcaada). Parcel containing fabric, sent to Tripolis (Peloponnese)..

ΤΕΝΙΚΗ ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΣΙΣ ΤΩΝ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΤΗΛΕΓΡΑΦΩΝ. ΤΗ ΠΗΡΕΣΙΑ Ταχυδρομικῶν δεμάτων ἐν τῷ ἔσωτερικῷ.

ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ.

Προσδιορισμὸς τοῦ δέματος: *δύο χέρτια* ἄβρα, κιβώτιον, κντίον κάλαθος κλπ.

Ἐπιγραφή: *Ἀγγελικὴ καὶ κίονα ἑρμαδιῶν οἰκίας Βασιλικῆς ἐπιτομῆς ἱφάσματα*

Περιεχόμενον: *ἱφάσματα*

Τῆ: *Βελούσου* 1901 Ὑπογραφή καὶ κατοικία τοῦ ἀποστολέως *Β. Βασιλικῆς ἑρμαδιῶν Τριπόλις*

Βάρος εἰς γραμμάρια *1050* Χῶρος διὰ τὴν ἐπίθεσιν τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ τῆς ἀποστολῆς τοῦ δέματος.

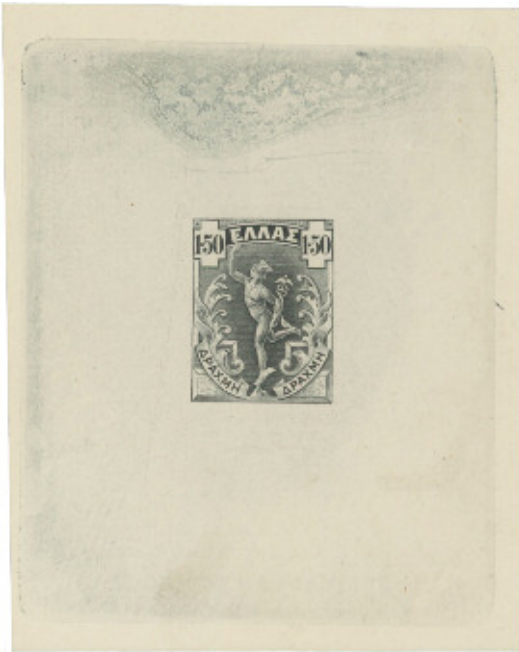
Ἀξίαν ἀριθμὸς ἀφίξεως. *1798* Πρὸς τὸ Ταχ. Γραφεῖον. *15* *084/60*

Συμπληρωτέον παρὰ τοῦ ἰσοφύτου τῆς ἀφίξεως.

ΤΕΝΕΔΟΣ 12 ΜΑΙΟΣ 20

50 ΛΕΠΤΑ 50 ΛΕΠΤΑ 50 ΛΕΠΤΑ 5 ΛΕΠΤΑ

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Engraved Die proofs of the values 1,50δρχ and 26ρχ

ΓΕΝΙΚΗ ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΣΙΣ
ΤΩΝ
ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΤΗΛΕΓΡΑΦΩΝ.

ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ

Προσδιορισμός του δέματος: *1 Δίμα*

Επιγραφή: *Μαρίαν Νου, Μπίρμινγχαμ*
Αχαΐριαι Τεχνας εις *Τρίπολιν Αρκαδίας*

Περιεχόμενον: *Ρούχα*

Τῆς *29/4/1920* Ὑπογραφή καὶ κατοικία τοῦ ἀποστολέως
Μητρώου
Στ. Ταχ. ὑπηρεσία 901

Βάρος εἰς γραμμάρια *1450*

Χώρος διὰ τὴν ἐπίθεσιν τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ τῆς ἀποστολῆς τοῦ δέματος.

Αἰξὼν ἀριθμὸς ἀφίξεως. *1570*

ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ
009669 ✓

3627/2
35/6

Inland Parcel Post form of **1,50δρχ**, without the surcharge **ΑΕΙΑΣ ΛΕΠΤΩΝ 5**, but correctly, the printed fee of 1.50 drachmas was not applied. Postage stamps of **1,15δρχ** and [5λ] Red Cross were applied, tied with **ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ ΣΕΜΑΤΑ (ΕΣΩΤΕΡ.) 29.ΑΠΡ.1920** (Thessaloniki). Parcel to Ahouria, Arcadia, containing clothes. Sent free of charge, from **Army Post Office 901**.

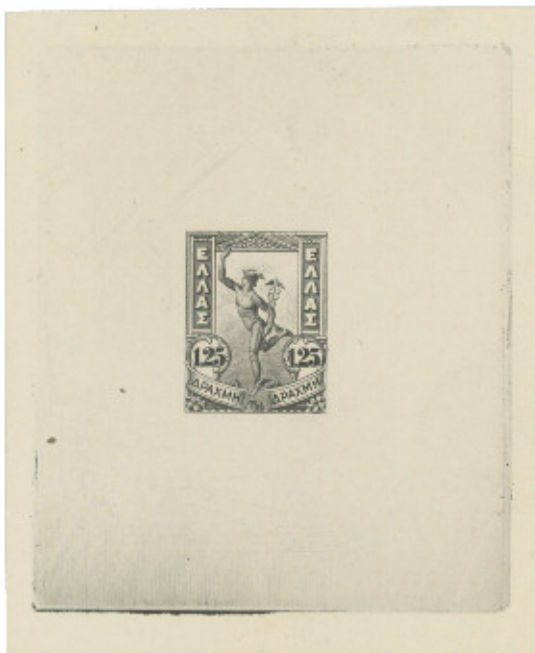
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INTERNATIONAL POSTAL MONEY ORDER Forms

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 137 Α', on 30.06.1901)

Forms with denominations 25λ, 50λ, 75λ, 1δρχ, 1.25δρχ, 1.50δρχ, 1.75δρχ, 2δρχ, 2.25δρχ, 2.50δρχ, 2.75δρχ and 3δρχ were issued. By Decree in ΦΕΚ 405 Α' on 31.12.1914, all Parcel Post Forms were devalued and overprinted with stamps indicating ΑΞΙΑΣ ΛΕΠΤΩΝ 5 (Value 5 lepta: document value).

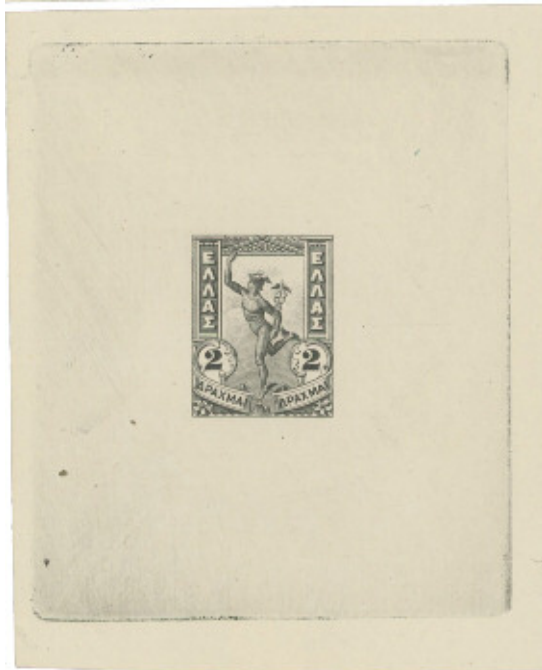
Issue: 2 July 1901, valid until 31 March 1915



Engraved Die proofs of the values 50λ, 1δρχ, 1.25δρχ and 1.75δρχ.

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INTERNATIONAL POSTAL MONEY ORDER Forms




Engraved Die proofs of the values 2δρχ, 2.25δρχ, 2.50δρχ and 2.75δρχ.

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INTERNATIONAL POSTAL MONEY ORDER Forms

<p>ΑΠΟΚΟΜΜΑ. COUPON.</p> <p>Δύναται ν' αποκοπῆ ὑπὸ τοῦ παραλήπτου. Peut être détaché par le destinataire.</p> <p>Ποσὸν τῆς ἐπιταγῆς εἰς ἀριθμούς. Montant du mandat en chiffres.</p> <p>Ὁνοματεπώνυμον τοῦ ἀποστολέως Désignation de l'envoyeur.</p> <p>Τὴν } Le } 190</p>	<p>ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ. Postes Helléniques.</p> <p>ΔΙΕΘΝΗΣ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΗ ΕΠΙΤΑΓΗ. MANDAT DE POSTE INTERNATIONAL.</p> <p>Ἀξίας De la somme</p> <p>(Εἰς ἀραβικοὺς ἀριθμούς.—En chiffres arabes.)</p> <p>(Ὀλογράφησις διὰ λατινικῶν στοιχείων.—En toutes lettres et en caractères latins.)</p> <p>Πληρωτέα τ Κ. } Payable à M. }</p> <p>Τόπος προορισμοῦ } Lieu de destination }</p> <p>Διεύθυνσις τοῦ παραλήπτου } Adresse du destinataire }</p> <p>Χώρα τοῦ προορισμοῦ } Pays de destination }</p>	<p>Τιμὴ Συντάγματος. Cours du change.</p> <p>Πληρωτέον ποσὸν Somme payée.</p>	 <p>Place réservée pour les timbres-poste supplémentaires.</p> <p>Χῶρος πρὸς ἐπικόλλησιν συμπληρωτικῶν γραμματοσήμων.</p>
		<p>Συμπληρωτέον παρὰ τοῦ ἀποστολέως.— À remplir par l'envoyeur.</p> <p>Ἰνδικοὶ ἀριθμοὶ. Indications de service.</p> <p>Ἀριθμὸς ἐκδόσεως } Numéro d'émission }</p> <p>Χρονολογία ἐκδόσεως } Date d'émission }</p> <p>Γραφεῖον ἐκδόσεως } Bureau expéditeur }</p> <p>Ἰσογράφη τοῦ ἐκδόντος ὑπαλλήλου } Signature de l'Agent qui a dressé le mandat }</p>	<p>Σφραγὶς γραφείου ἀποστολῆς Timbre du bureau d'origine</p>

<p>ΑΠΟΚΟΜΜΑ. COUPON.</p> <p>Δύναται ν' αποκοπῆ ὑπὸ τοῦ παραλήπτου. Peut être détaché par le destinataire.</p> <p>Ποσὸν τῆς ἐπιταγῆς εἰς ἀριθμούς. Montant du mandat en chiffres.</p> <p>Ὁνοματεπώνυμον τοῦ ἀποστολέως Désignation de l'envoyeur.</p> <p>Τὴν } Le } 190</p>	<p>ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΑ. Postes Helléniques.</p> <p>ΔΙΕΘΝΗΣ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΗ ΕΠΙΤΑΓΗ. MANDAT DE POSTE INTERNATIONAL.</p> <p>Ἀξίας De la somme</p> <p>(Εἰς ἀραβικοὺς ἀριθμούς.—En chiffres arabes.)</p> <p>(Ὀλογράφησις διὰ λατινικῶν στοιχείων.—En toutes lettres et en caractères latins.)</p> <p>Πληρωτέα τ Κ. } Payable à M. }</p> <p>Τόπος προορισμοῦ } Lieu de destination }</p> <p>Διεύθυνσις τοῦ παραλήπτου } Adresse du destinataire }</p> <p>Χώρα τοῦ προορισμοῦ } Pays de destination }</p>	<p>Τιμὴ Συντάγματος. Cours du change.</p> <p>Πληρωτέον ποσὸν Somme payée.</p>	 <p>Place réservée pour les timbres-poste supplémentaires.</p> <p>Χῶρος πρὸς ἐπικόλλησιν συμπληρωτικῶν γραμματοσήμων.</p>
		<p>Συμπληρωτέον παρὰ τοῦ ἀποστολέως.— À remplir par l'envoyeur.</p> <p>Ἰνδικοὶ ἀριθμοὶ. Indications de service.</p> <p>Ἀριθμὸς ἐκδόσεως } Numéro d'émission }</p> <p>Χρονολογία ἐκδόσεως } Date d'émission }</p> <p>Γραφεῖον ἐκδόσεως } Bureau expéditeur }</p> <p>Ἰσογράφη τοῦ ἐκδόντος ὑπαλλήλου } Signature de l'Agent qui a dressé le mandat }</p>	<p>Σφραγὶς γραφείου ἀποστολῆς Timbre du bureau d'origine</p>

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DOMESTIC POSTAL MONEY ORDER Forms

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 177 Α', on 20.08.1901)

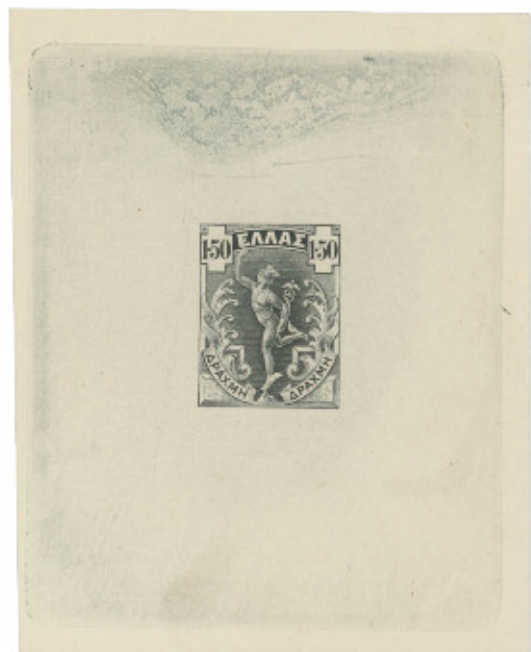
Forms with denominations 30λ, 50λ, 1δρχ, 1.30δρχ, 1.60δρχ, 1.90δρχ, 2.20δρχ, 2.50δρχ, 2.80δρχ, 3.10δρχ and 3.40δρχ were issued. By Decree in ΦΕΚ 405 Α' on 31.12.1914, all Parcel Post Forms were devalued and overprinted with stamps indicating ΑΞΙΑΣ ΛΕΠΤΩΝ 5 (Value 5 lepta: document value).

Issue: 15 September 1901, valid until 31 March 1915



Variations of the Die Proofs of 1.30δρχ.

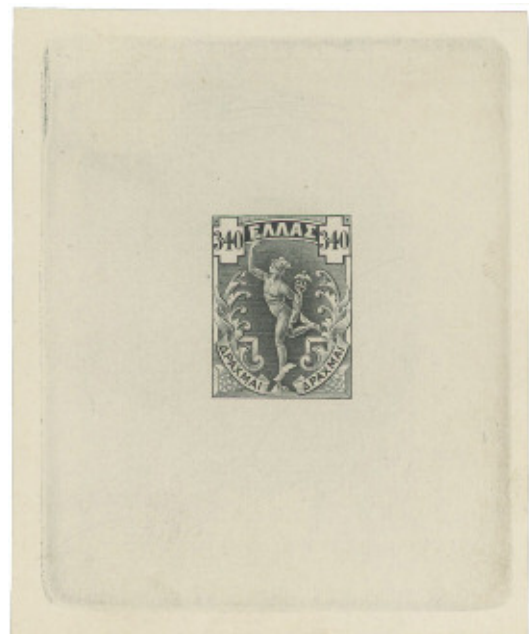
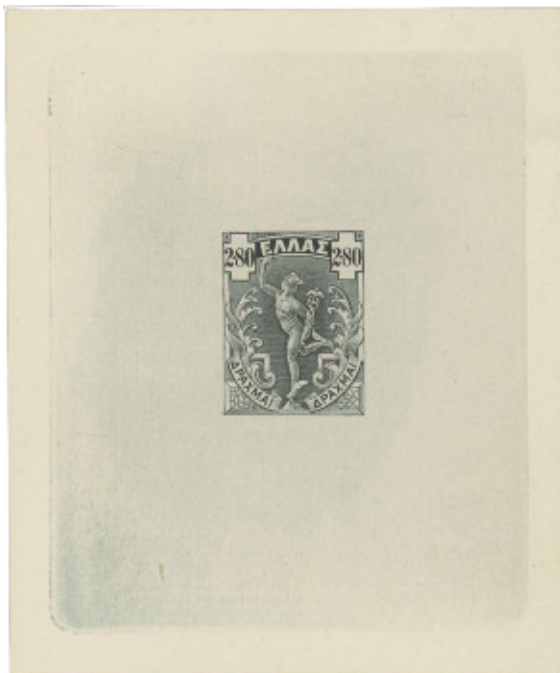
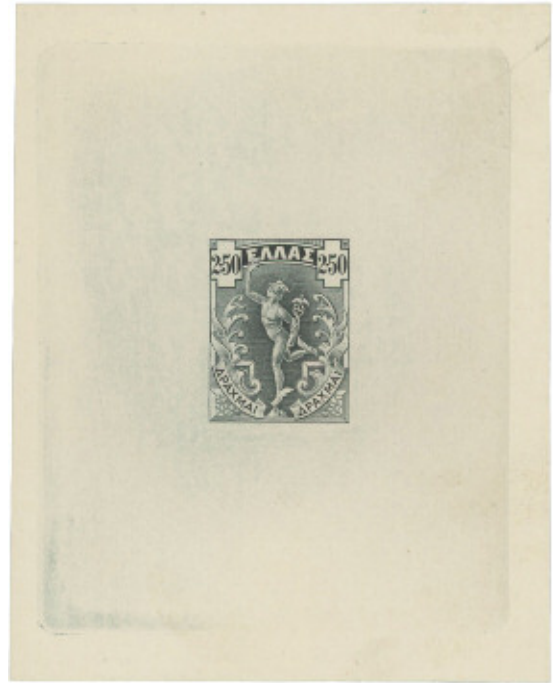
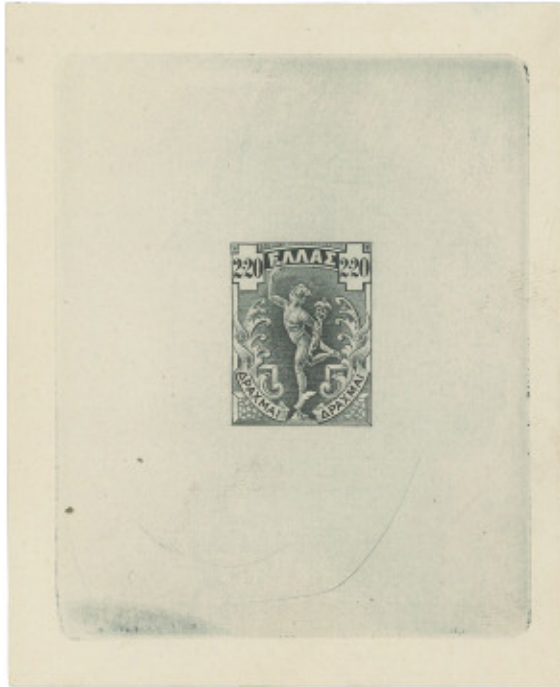
Small differences, more noticeable in the letters, especially in the "H" (narrow & wide) of the left ΔΡΑΧΜΗ



Engraved Die proofs of the values 1.60δρχ and 1.90δρχ.

Flying Hermes: Postal Money Order Forms



DOMESTIC POSTAL MONEY ORDER Forms





Engraved Die proofs of the values 2.20δρχ, 2.50δρχ, 2.80δρχ and 3.40δρχ.

Flying Hermes: Postal Money Order Forms

DOMESTIC POSTAL MONEY ORDER Forms

<p>ΑΠΟΚΟΜΜΑ (δύνатаи ν' άποκοπή ύπό του παραλήπτου).</p> <p>Ποσόν έπιταγήσ Δραχ. _____ Λ. _____</p> <p>*Όνομα, επώνυμον, επάγγελμα, διαμονή και κατοικία του άποστολέως.</p> <p>Συμπληρωτέον παρά του άποστολέως.</p> <p>Χρονολογικόν σημάδιον του γραφείου της έστιασεως.</p>	<p>ΓΕΝΙΚΗ ΔΙΕΤΘΤΗΣΙΣ ΤΩΝ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΤΗΛΕΓΡΑΦΩΝ.</p>  <p>ΤΑΧ. ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ Έν τῷ Έσωτερικῷ.</p> <p>ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΗ ΕΠΙΤΑΓΗ.</p> <p>Δραχ. _____ Δεπτ. _____ (εις αριθμούς)</p> <p>(Όλογράφως με μεγάλα γράμματα)</p> <p>Πληρωτέα τ Κ</p> <p>(Σημειωθήτω ενανανώστως ονοματεπώνυμον, επάγγελμα και διεύθυνσις παραλήπτου). Εις _____</p> <p>Διά δραχ. _____ Λ. _____ 'Υπογραφή ταχ. υπαλλήλου.</p> <p>Αριθ. εκδόσεως _____</p> <p>Χρονολογία εκδόσεως _____</p> <p>Αποστέλλον Ταχ. Γραφείον _____</p> <p>Συμπληρωτέον παρά του άποστολέως. Λογος ταχυφ. Γραφείου.</p>	 <p>Χῶρος πρὸς επικόλησιν συμπληρωτικῶν γραμματοσήμων.</p> <p>Χρονολογικόν σημάδιον του γραφείου της έστιασεως.</p>
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The used Postal Money Order forms were destroyed and have not been preserved.

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes

POSTAL CARDS: Gradual circulation, starting from November 1, 1910

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 331 Α', on 30.10.1910)

Two denominations were issued, 5λ and 10λ. Later, double postal cards were also issued, and many reprints followed, featuring new designs, including a new coat of arms (personal discovery, article in, *Collectio Nr 3, pp. 43-46*).

The postal cards from this period are quite common, so no special attention is dedicated to them. Only a few samples with printing errors or postal interest are presented.

1912 Printing
yellow-green on yellow-cream

Cut shifted to the right and slanted

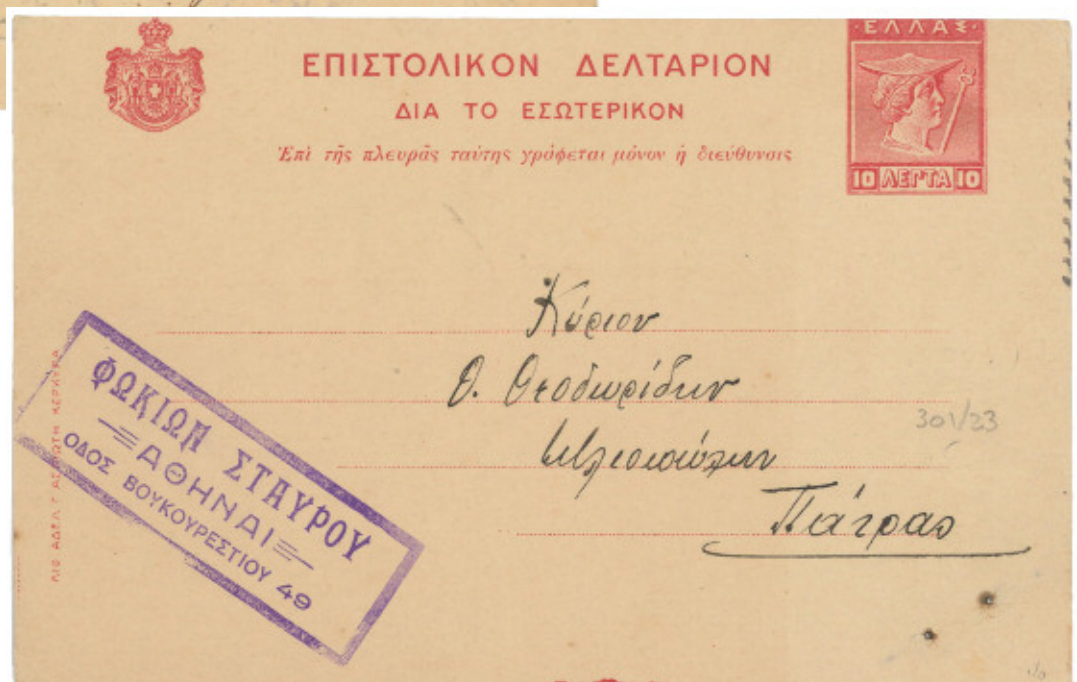


1912 Printing
green on yellow-cream

Cardboard folding

1920 Printing
Red on dark cream
(coat of arms type 2)

Cut shifted
downward, bottom
edge of the sheet

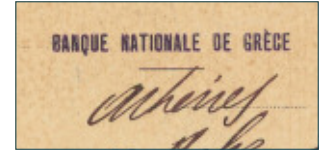


Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes



Repiquag

1912 Printing
green on yellow-cream



National Bank of Greece:
ΕΘΝΙΚΗ ΤΡΑΠΕΖΑ ΤΗΣ
ΕΛΛΑΔΟΣ with perfin ΕΘ.Τ.
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ ΚΕΝΤΡΙΚΟΝ 25.ΑΥΓ.14
(Athens)



1918 Printing
Red on ivory thick
cardboard
(coat of arms
type 1)



Insufficiently prepaid

Green on cream

ΒΟΛΟΣ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) 18.ΦΕΒ.20
(Volos) on 5λ, with circular
marking T (rate to abroad:
10λ). Postage dues 2x5c, tied
with ST. GALLEN 16.III.20.

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes

Interesting places of origin



1910 Printing
Deep green on yellow-cream

AGENZIA DEL LLOYD AUSTRIACO SANTA MAURA,
from Lefkas 9.June.1912
UNIQUE.



ΑΓΙΟΙ ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ 28.ΔΕΚ.15
(Santi Quaranta: Sarandë, Albania). The Red Cross charity stamp missing, it was paid in double 2x[5λ] upon arrival, tied with ΣΥΡΟΣ (ΑΦΙΞΙΣ) 6.ΙΑΝ.16 (Syros)



1918[?] printing
Red on ivory thick cardboard (coat of arms type 1)

ΣΜΥΡΝΗ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ 23.ΑΥΓ.20
(Smyrna, Turkey) to Vienna

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes



1918 printing
Red on ivory thick
cardboard
(coat of arms
type 1)

ΤΑΧ. ΑΘΗΝΩΝ ΠΑΡΑΡΤ. 1
22.ΑΠΡ.19 (Athens, Branch
P.O. 1) to London

1911 Printing
Orange-red on grey
(coat of arms
type 1)



ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ)
16.ΙΟΥΝ.15 (Piraeus)
registered, uprated with
25λ, to Bohemia, Austria
[card reduced, 2-3mm]



1918 printing
Red on ivory thick
cardboard
(coat of arms
type 1)

ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΣΥΣΤΗΜΕΝΑ) 21.
ΝΟΕΜ.19 (Athens)
registered, uprated with
25λ, to GRONINGEN
16.12.19, Netherlands, via
REGISTERED LONDON 14.
DE.19

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes

LETTER CARDS: Gradual circulation, starting from December 10, 1910

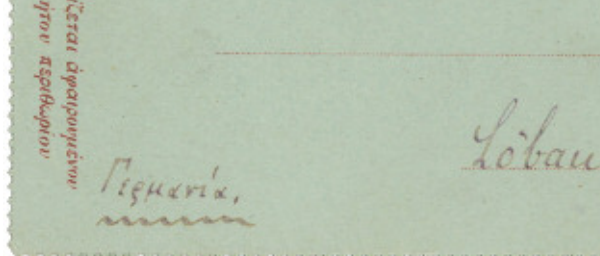
(Decree in ΦΕΚ 376 Α', on 11.12.1910)

The denomination of 10λ was issued, and several reprints followed, with the printer's name repositioned and, later, a new coat of arms (personal discovery, article in, *Collectio Nr 3, pp. 43-46*).

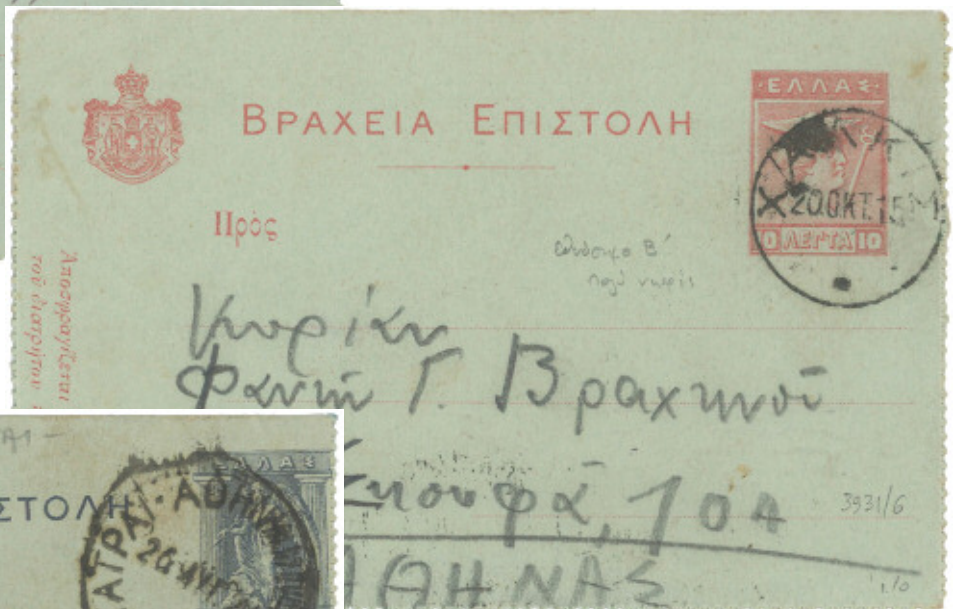
Later, in 1920, a new letter card was issued, with the denomination of 20 lepta.



Double printing



ΠΑΤΡΑΙ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) 19.ΜΑΡΤ.12 (Patras), to Germany, uprated with 15λ (letter rate to abroad: 25 lepta).



Coat of Arms type 2.

Early use, ΧΑΛΚΙΣ 20.ΟΚΤ.15 (Chalkis)



ΠΑΤΡΑΙ-ΑΘΗΝΑΙ-ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 26.ΑΥΓ.21 (ambulant Patras-Athens-Piraeus), from Aeghion to ΠΑΤΡΑΙ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ 26.ΑΥΓ. (Patras, same-day)



TAX. ΑΘΗΝΩΝ ΠΑΡΑΡΤ. 1 9.ΙΟΥΛ.1920 (Athens, Branch P.O. 1). The rate for letter cards was 15 lepta until 3/7/20, then 20λ. The missing fee of 10λ, was paid with 2x5λ postage dues, tied with ΣΥΡΟΣ (ΑΦΙΕΙΣ) 11.ΙΟΥΛ.20 (Syros).

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes

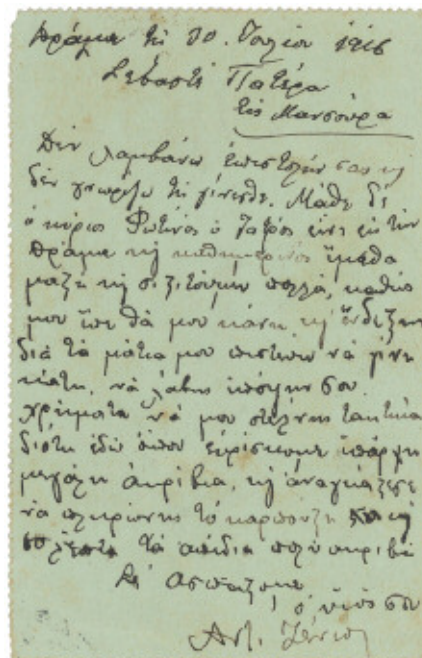
Separated LETTER CARDS instead of the missing POSTAL CARDS

In Macedonia during World War I, in a period of postal cards shortages and without any known circular, the use of the front side of separated short letter cards as postcards was silently permitted.

(Article by the exhibitor in *Philotelia* magazine)



ΔΡΑΜΑ 31.7.16 (Drama), to MANSURA 1 30.VIII.16, via ALEXANDRIA V 30.VIII.16. Censorship markings ARMÉE D'ORIENT - CENSURE MILITAIRE in Thessaloniki and in Alexandria (waves).

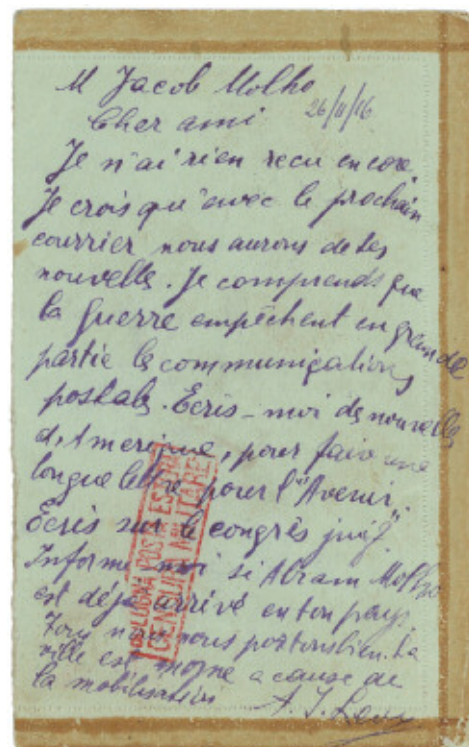


70%



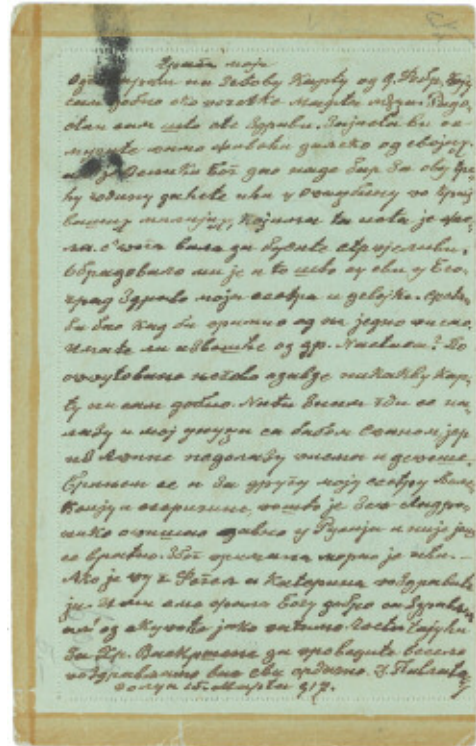
ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 17.NOE.16 (Thessaloniki), to New York, USA. Censorship markings NO and ARMÉE D'ORIENT - CENSURE MILITAIRE in Thessaloniki, and BOLOGNA POSTA ESTERA / CENSURA MILITARE.

The perforated margin was not cut off and still has its gum.



70%

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes

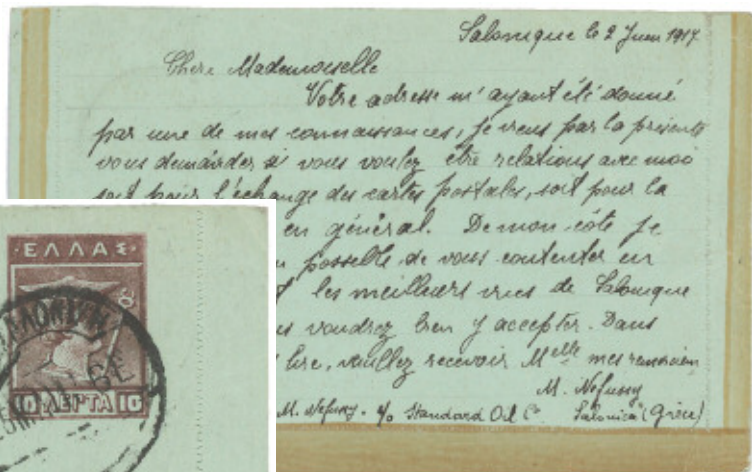


ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 18.MAP.17 (Thessaloniki) to Weesen, Switzerland. Censorship markings NO and ARMÉE D'ORIENT - CENSURE MILITAIRE in Thessaloniki.

The perforated margin was not cut off and still has its gum.

Written in Serbian.

ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 25.MAI.17 (Thessaloniki), to Mende, France. Censorship markings NO and the unusual linear OUVERT PAR L'AUTORITÉ MILITAIRE in Thessaloniki.

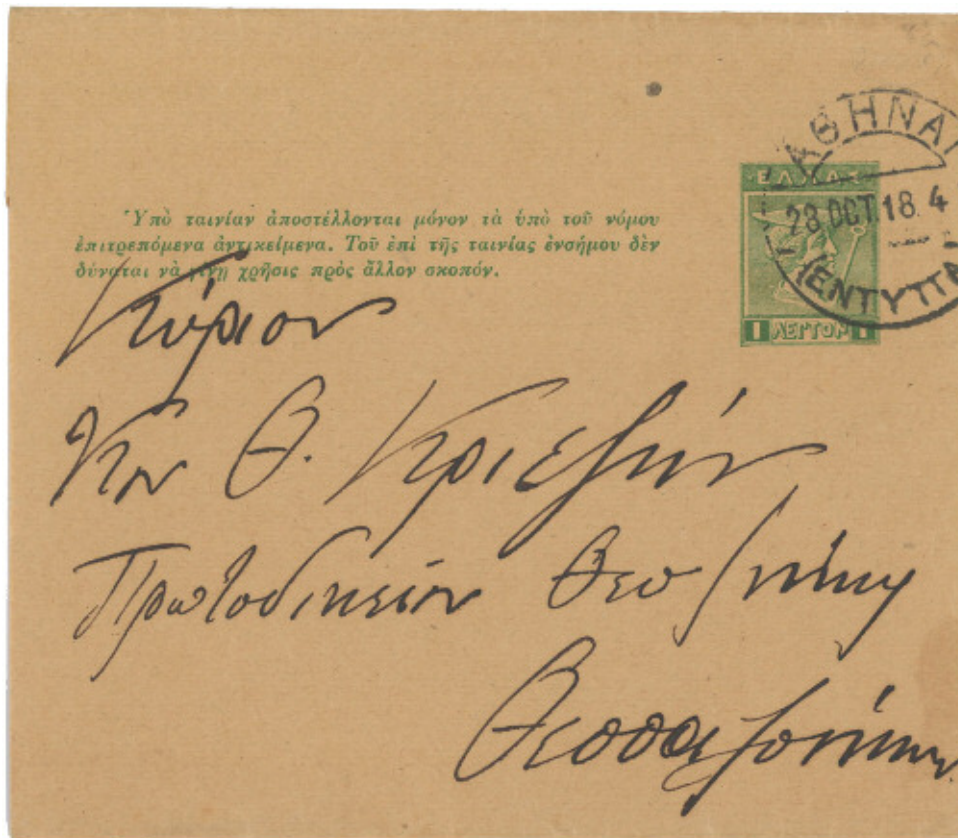


The perforated margin was not cut off and still has its gum. Written in French.

Sandal or Petasos-wearing Hermes

WRAPPERS for wrappers and periodicals: 1911

Only the 1 lepton denomination was issued, marking the fourth and final wrapper issued by the Hellenic Posts. However, the 1 lepton rate for domestic newspapers remained unchanged for many years (1882-1926), as if publishers had some influence over postal rates...!



ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΕΝΤΥΠΑ) 28.OCT.18 (Athens), to Thessaloniki



TAX. ΑΘΗΝΩΝ ΠΑΡΑΡΤ. 1 17.ΦΕΒ.1919 (Athens Branch P.O. 1), to Paris, postal rate for printed matter <50gr.

King George II: Printed envelopes

Issue 1 September 1939

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 332 Α', on 19.08.1939)

Two denominations were issued, 3δρχ (domestic) and 8δρχ (international), with the additional charity stamp, 50λ and 1δρχ respectively

Overprint **AKYRON** (not valid)



Handwritten:
Δείγματα 10
Παρ[αγγελία]
1829/39
(Samples 10
Order 1829/39)

Envelope sample
for the approval
process



BYΛΙΑ 8.ΜΑΙ.1940 (Villia) on envelope uprated with 2x2δρχ Historical (4δρχ registration fee) to ΑΘΗΝΑΙ ΣΥΣΤΗΜΕΝΑ ΑΦΙΞΙΣ 8.V.40 (Athens).

King George II: Printed envelopes



Overprint **AKYRON** (not valid)



300%



Envelope sample with stamp **3δρχ** (instead of 8δρχ) and selling price **4δρχ** instead of 9δρχ



ΧΑΛΑΝΔΡΙΟΝ 13.IV.41 (Chalandrion) on envelope uprated with 8δρχ Balkan Entente (8δρχ registration fee) to ISMAILIA 15.MA.41. Censorship markings of Athens and Egypt.

King George II: Royalty postal cards

Issued on 20 July & 1 December 1940

(Decreets in ΦΕΚ 200 Α', on 29.06.1940 and 356 Α', on 02.11.1940)

They bore a printed 2δρχ stamp and featured 8 subjects in black and 2 in sepia. Selling price: 3 drachmas. They were withdrawn on 05.06.1941 (Decree in ΦΕΚ 186 Α', on 05.06.1941).

unadopted image



One of the eight subjects was not printed; it was rejected and withdrawn before the stamp was printed. Very few have been preserved.



King George II: Youth Organization p.c.

Issued on 4 August 1940

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 220 Α', on 13.07.1940)

They bore a printed 2δρχ stamp and featured 15 subjects. Selling price: 3 drachmas. They were withdrawn on 10.06.1941 (Decree in ΦΕΚ 189 Α', on 10.06.1941)



Related shot, a rejected snapshot (July 1938)



70%

ΤΡΙΠΟΛΙΣ-ΚΑΛΑΜΑΙ ΚΙΝΗΤΟΝ 8.ΑΥΓ.40 (ambulant Tripolis to Kalamata) sent to Patras via Corinth (5th day of issue).

King George II: War series postal cards

Planned issue on April 1, 1941, distribution on October 28, 1946

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 58 Α', on 27.02.1941)

They bore a printed 2δρχ stamp and featured 12 subjects. Selling price: 4δρχ.
Suspension of circulation (ΦΕΚ 193 Α' on 12.06.1941), distribution (ΦΕΚ 320 Α' on 27.10.1946)

never issued



The stock of card numbered Γ2, depicting Metaxas, was destroyed before the series was reissued. Very few known samples exist.



60%

King George II: Ancient Art postal cards

Planned issue on April 1, 1941, distribution on 15 November 1941

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 58 Α', on 27.02.1941)

They bore a printed 2δρχ stamp and featured 6 subjects (issued in two languages). Selling price: 5δρχ.
Change of stamp depiction (ΦΕΚ 203 Α' / 19.06.41) distribution (ΦΕΚ 380 Α' / 07.11.1946)

Essay of picture



60%



Card number Δ4, depicting Apollo, in a **essay without printed obverse** and **featuring a different design** in the final form of the image, overprinted **AKYPON** (not valid).

King George II: Printed envelopes

issued on 1st February 1941, withdrawn on 15 October 1941

(Decree in ΦΕΚ 19 Α', on 22.01.1941)

issue with postal rate for the counties of the Balkan Postal Union.

Withdrawal by Decree published in ΦΕΚ 349 Α', on 29.10.1941.



ΚΑΛΙΘΕΑ ΑΘΗΝΩΝ 1.VII.41 (Kallithea), uprated with 2δρχ, sent to Vienna, via ATHINAI 2.VII.41. German censorship in Vienna.



ΠΛΑΤΕΙΑ ΣΥΝΤΑΓΜΑΤΟΣ ΑΕΡΟΠΟΡΙΚΩΣ 30.VII.41 (Athens, Syntagma, airmail), uprated with 2δρχ and airmail fee 8δρχ, sent to Berlin. German censorship in Vienna.

Ιπτάμενος Ερμής: Δελτάρια (1η έκδοση)

χρώμα καφέ-γκρι



ΚΙΝΗΤΟΝ ΤΑΧΥΔΡ. ΠΕΙΡΑΙΩΣ-ΠΑΤΡΩΝ 17.ΜΑΡ.01, από Λυκοποριά (Κορινθίας), προς ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ 17.ΜΑΡΤ.901



Δελτάριο με ιδιωτική εικονογράφηση και πρόσθετο 5λ μικρής κεφαλής Ερμή, από ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 5 29.ΑΠΡ.1901, προς ARCO 19.5.01, προωθηθέν στη WIEN 21.05.01 μέσω INSBROCK 19.5.01 και τελικά στο SALZBURG-STADT 22.5.01

Ιπτάμενος Ερμής: Δελτάρια (3η έκδοση)

Δελτάρια με απεικόνιση τον Ιπτάμενο Ερμή του Giovanni Bologna

(το Διάταγμα δημοσιεύθηκε στο ΦΕΚ 182 Α', στις 09.09.1905)

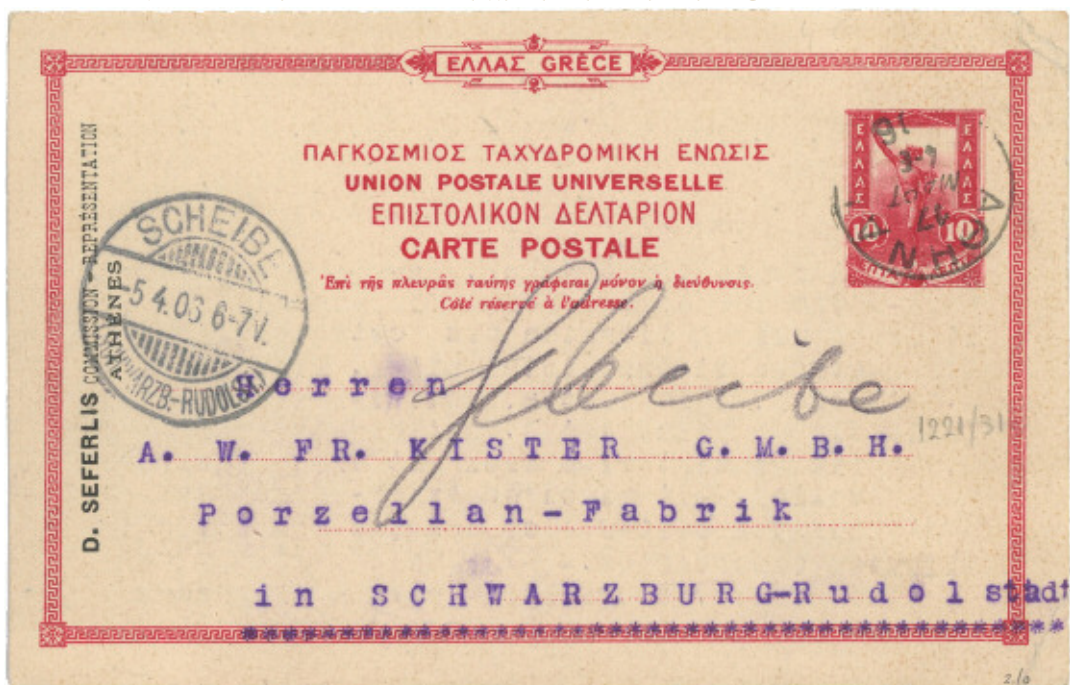
Εκδόθηκαν 2 αξίες, 5λ για το εσωτερικό και 10λ για το εξωτερικό, όχι όμως διπλά με πληρωμένη απάντηση. Είναι ίδια με τα εικονογραφημένα, αλλά δεν έχουν σημανθεί με το έκτυπο.

Δελτάριο 5λ, από ΝΑΥΠΛΙΟΝ
29.ΟΚΤ.1905, προς το
Αργοστόλι



Δελτάριο 10λ, από
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 10.ΟΚΤ.1905,
προς WIEN 7/2 62
28.10.05

Εκτυπώσεις οίκων για ιδιωτική χρήση (reperiquage)



Δελτάριο 10λ, από
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 17.ΜΑΡΤ.1906,
προς SCHEIBE 5.4.06

Σανδαλοφόρος & Πετασοφόρος Ερμής



Έκδοση 1918
κόκκινο σε
χοντρό ιβουάρ
(εθνόσημο 1)

Αναδίπλωση χαρτονιού και μερική εκτύπωση

Σανδαλοφόρος & Πετασοφόρος Ερμής



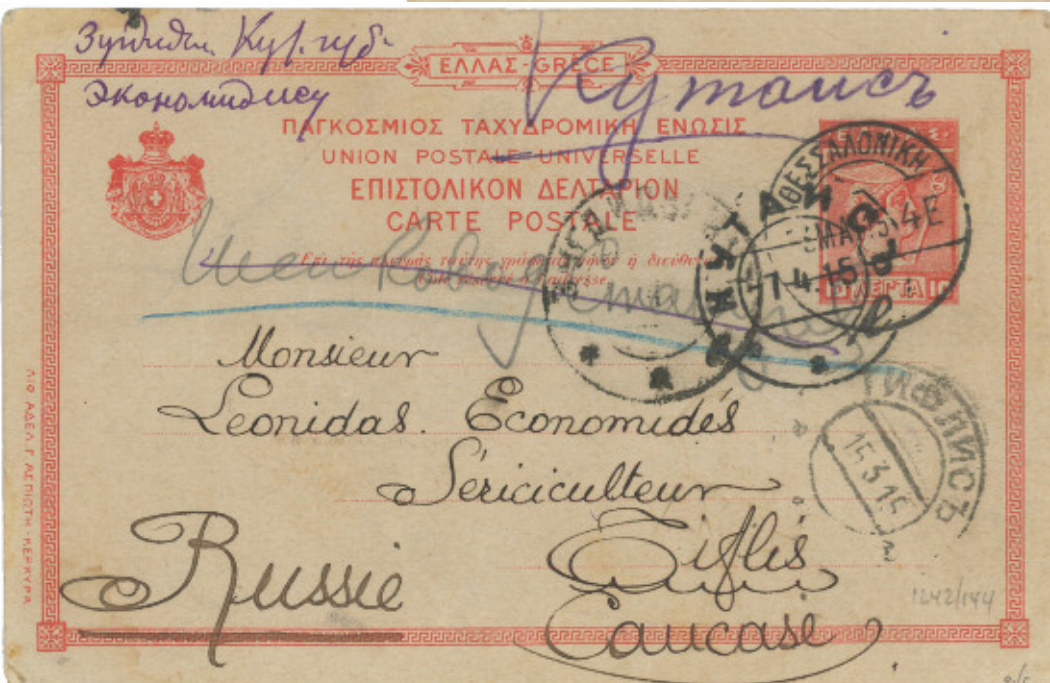
Έκδοση 1911
Κόκκινο σε ανοικτό
γκρι χαρτί
(εθνόσημο 1)

Αθήνα προς SMYRNE 2
21.3.16 (Poste Restante),
μέσω GALATA ARRIVEE
16.III.16. Πρώιμη
Οθωμανική λογοκρισία

Έκδοση 1911
Κόκκινο-πορτοκαλί
σε κρεμ χαρτί
(εθνόσημο 1)



ΠΕΙΡΑΙΕΥΣ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) 19.
ΜΑΙ.14 προς Στέκμπορν
Ελβετίας, λανθασμένη
διαβίβαση στη
ΣΤΟΧΗΟΛΜ 8.6.14,
Σουηδία



Έκδοση 1911
Κόκκινο-πορτοκαλί
σε κρεμ χαρτί
(εθνόσημο 1)

ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 3.ΜΑΡ.15
προς ΤΙΦΛΙΣ 15.3.15,
που τελικά προωθήθηκε
στο ΚΥΤΑΝΣ 7.4.15

