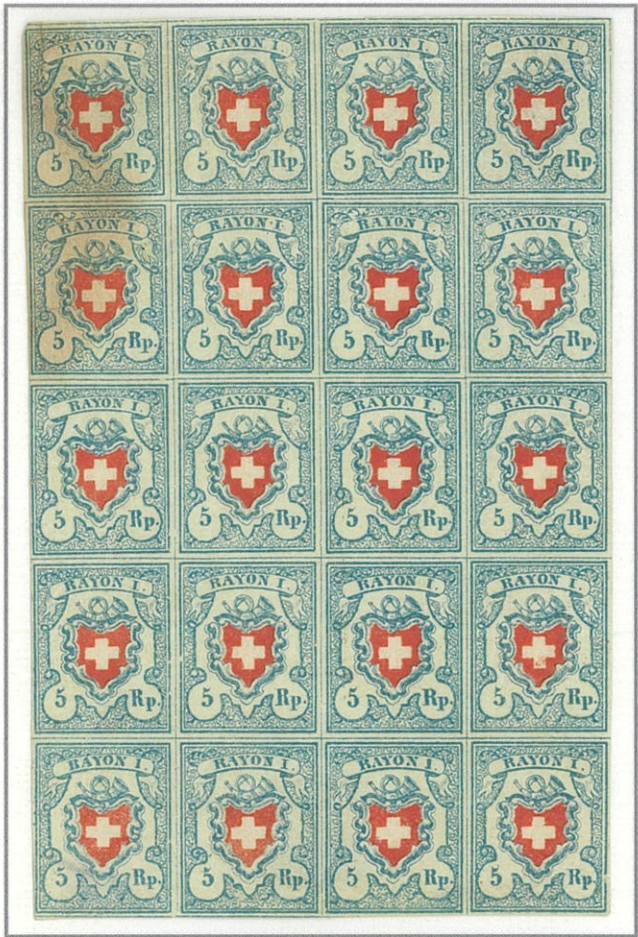


35% of the RAYON I stamps were produced by this stone. according to "Bestimmung der Drucksteine"

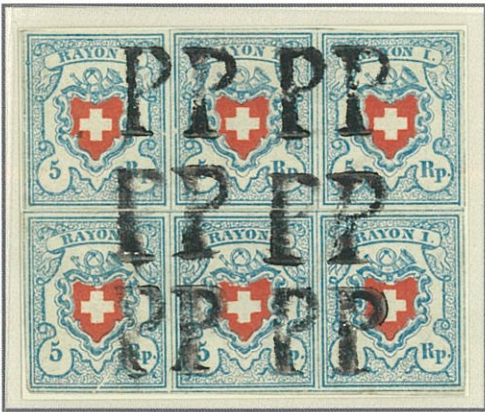
Complete Counter Sheet



CILU - 1/36

The printing plate of stone C1 was consisted of four sheets of 40 copies of 5 lines of 8. It was not only cut into 4 sheets of 40 stamp copies after the printing process is over, but each sheet was also cut into two half sheets of 20 stamps before delivery to post offices.

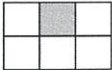
Six PP obliterations



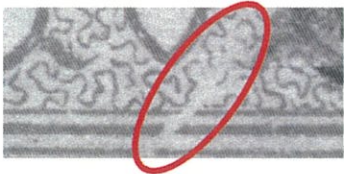
Break in the middle of the left frame



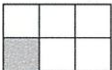
CIRO - 26 (300%)



Aslant white line at the bottom



CIRO - 33 (500%)



CIRO - 25/35, rejoined block
sextuple "PP" cancellations of the 8th post area, Luzern.

Postal tariff was changed and new RAYON postal tariff was introduced on Jan. 1st, 1852.

Large Pre-Philatelic CDS

C1RU-18 and 36

tied by cds with Asterisks

RHEINECK to Steinach via
Rorschach, 27 MARZ 54

10 Rappen correctly paid for new
RAYON II letter



25 Rp. Rate, C.O.D. Letter Collecting 65 Rp.

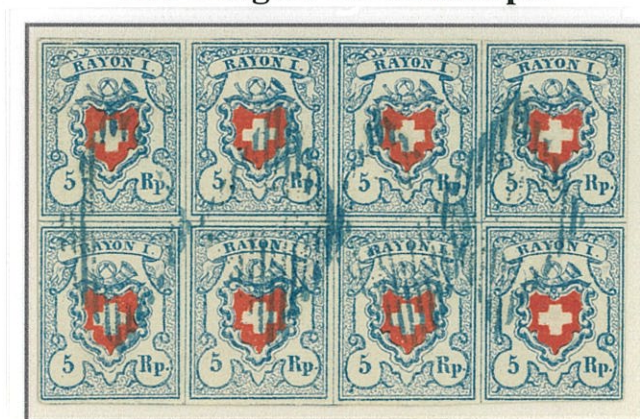


A vertical strip of five C1RU - 6/38, tied by black diamond grilled with a double ring cds in blue beside
REGENSPERG to Zug, 13 3 (1853)

25 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON III C.O.D. letter, 25 = 15 + 10

35% of the RAYON I stamps were produced by this stone, according to "Bestimmung der Drucksteine"

The Largest Used Multiple



C2RO - 9/20

quadruple griled cancellations in blue

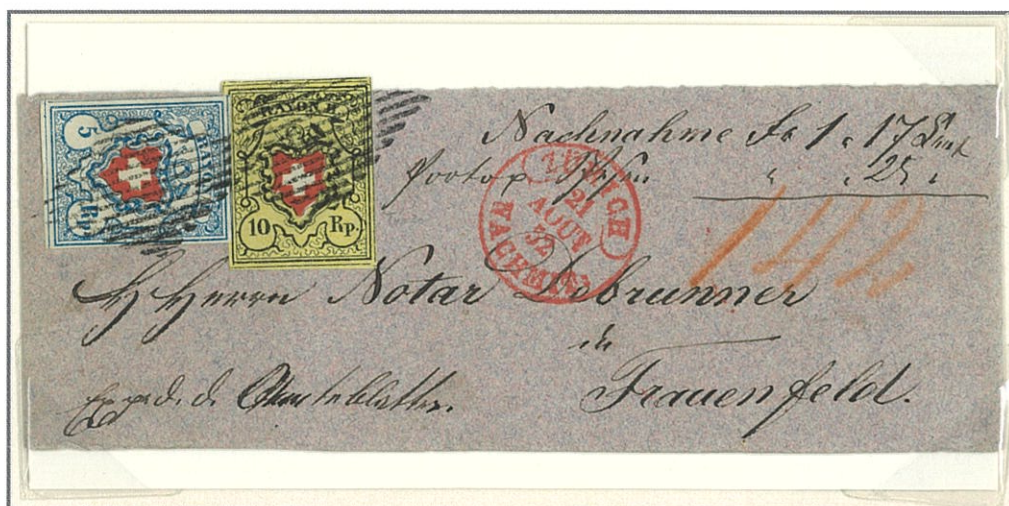
ex- Silvain Wyler

C.O.D. Printed Wrapper

C2RO - 37 franked
with a RAYON II
DRU - 30

black griled with
a red cds beside

ZÜRICH to



Frauenfeld,
21 AOUT 52

15 Rp. correctly paid,
5 for new RAYON
III printed matter,
and 10 for COD fee

Bar Cancellation on Registered Letter

C2LU - 20, and
RAYON III large
numeral, ORII-1

typed by single line
obliteration

BRODHAUSE to
Bern



20 Rp. correctly
paid for registered
RAYON II
letter, 10 for new
RAYON II letter,
and registered
letter pay the
double rate.

Quadruple franking of this stamp is equal to 20 Rappen, which is applied for several postal rates.

Red Grilled Diamond



C2RO - 15/24
tied by red diamonds
ex- Maurice Burrus

C.O.D. Letter



C2LO - 7/16, tied by black Lucerne PP (AW204) with a single line cancellation (AW1518) beside
MALTERS to Luzern, 12/31 (1852)

20 Rp. correctly paid for RYON II C.O.D. letter, 10 for new RAYON II fee and 10 for COD fee.

Registered Letter-part

Two vertical pairs of C2LO - 6/14 & 29/37, tied by black grilled

sent to Glattfelden in Bülach

20 Rp. correctly paid for registered RAYON II letter, 10 for new RAYON II letter, and registered letter pay the double rate.



Jan. 1st, 1852

A revision of the present postal rates was announced on Aug. 25th, 1851, considering the introduction of the new monetary system on Jan. 1st, 1852.

A new series of stamps were prepared in München, but as the first supply could not be printed in time, it was decided (1) to continue to sell the stamps of 5 and 10 Rp. at the new values of 5 and 10 centimes from Jan. 1st, 1852. (2) A new denomination of 15 Rp. stamp to be specially designed for RAYON III rate.

Ten types were transferred into the second die of new 15 Rp. stamp from the 2nd and 3rd vertical rows of ORTSPOST plate, with the inscriptions being replaced and e.t.c.

This second die was transferred 18 times into the lithographic printing plate and was printed only in red on white paper and cut into nine sheets of 20 stamps finally.



URI-7
mint with original gum

The Earliest Usage of RAYON III Only Two Known



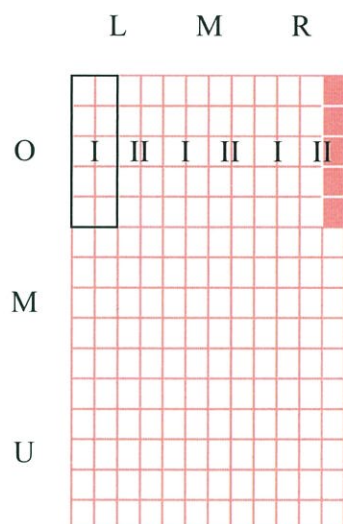
???-6 tied by black grilles with a red cds beside
ZÜRICH TO OBERUTZWYL, 2 JAN 52 NACHMIT

RAYON III rate was applied for all the letters of the distance more than 48 km, which used to be classified into RAYON II, III, & IV before.

The Largest Multiple

10 Types

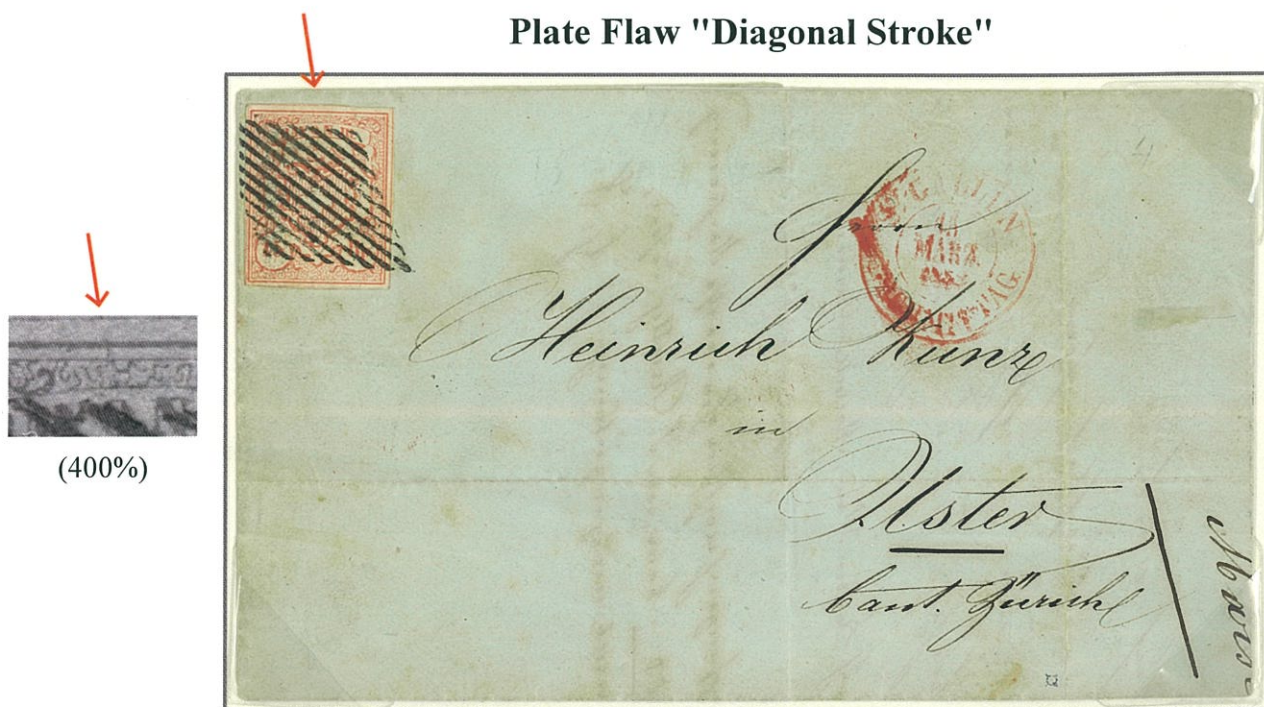
Master die consists of 10 clichés.
A printing plate contains
eighteen transferred blocks of
10 like this illustration.



ORII-2/10



Plate Flaw "Diagonal Stroke"



MLI-9 with a PF "diagonal stroke" tied by a black grilled with a double ring cds in red beside
St. GALLEN to Uster, 16 MARS 1852 NACHMITTAG (AW129)

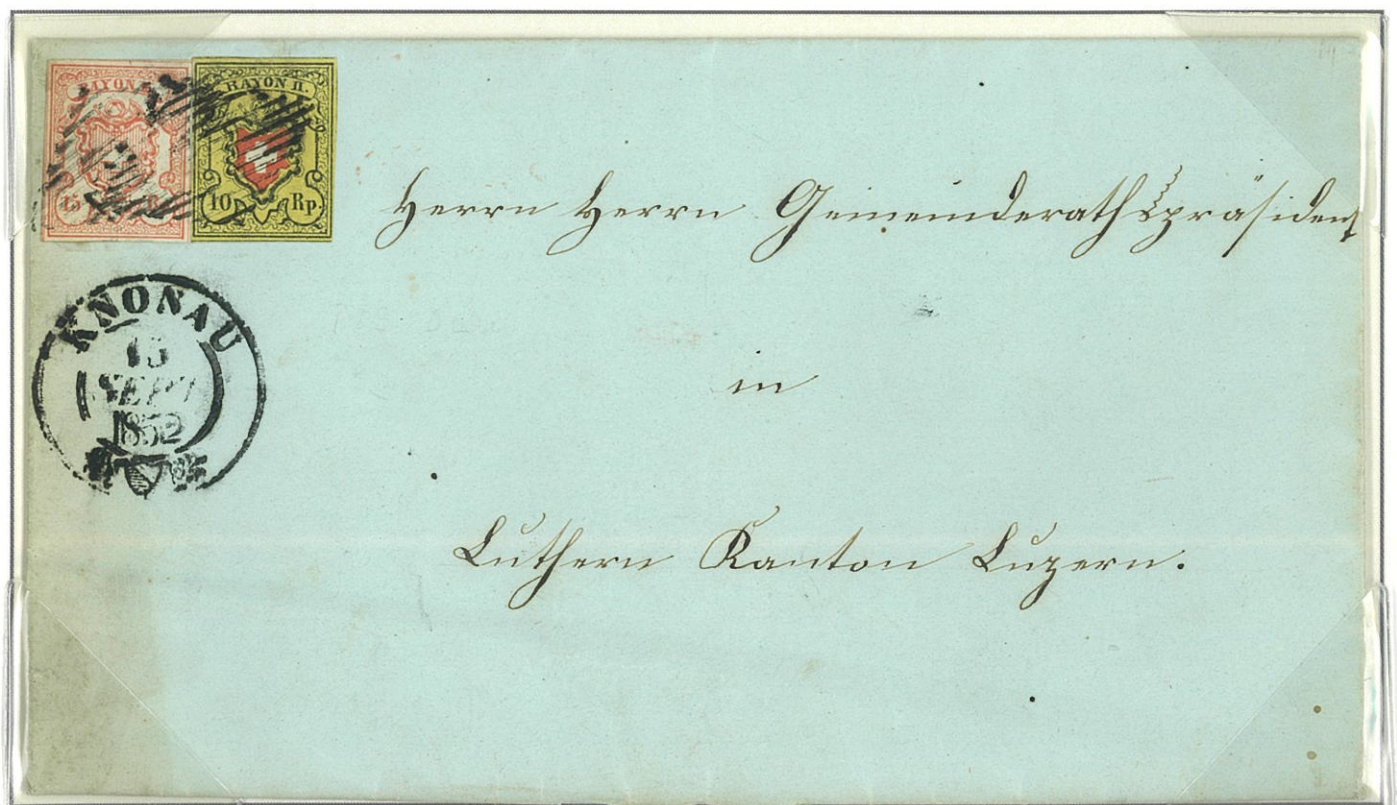
Printed matter rate after Jan. 1st, 1852 became 5 Rp. for RAYON I&II and 10 Rp. for RAYON III.

40 Rp. Rate, Double Weight C.O.D. Letter Collecting 10.55 Fr.



A horizontal pair type 5/6 franked with URO-1 & 11 of RAYON I, with grilled cancellation
 OBERTOGENBURG to Wildhaus via CAPPEL and WATTWYL, 16 MARS 1852
 40 Rp. correctly paid for double weight COD RAYON II letter to collect 10.55 Fr., $40 = 10 * 2 + 20$

25 Rp. Rate, Quadruple Weight Letter



MLI-3 franked with a DLU-29 of RAYON II, black grilled with a pre-philatelic double ring cds beside
 KNONA to Luzern, 15 SEPT 1852

25 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON II letter of the weight between 1.5 and 2 Loth.



Blue Single Line Obliteration

OLI-2, tied by blue grilled with a blue single line obliteration beside

DIEBACH C.G. to Zürich via Glarus,
14 JULI 52

15 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON III

Black Single Line Obliteration

MLII-3 franked with a RAYON I
light blue B3RU - 38, tied by blue
grilled with a black line obliteration
and a framed datestamp in blue
beside

HERZNACH to Aarau, 3 3 52

20 Rp. correctly paid for COD
RAYON II letter, 10 for RAYON
II, and 10 for COD fee.

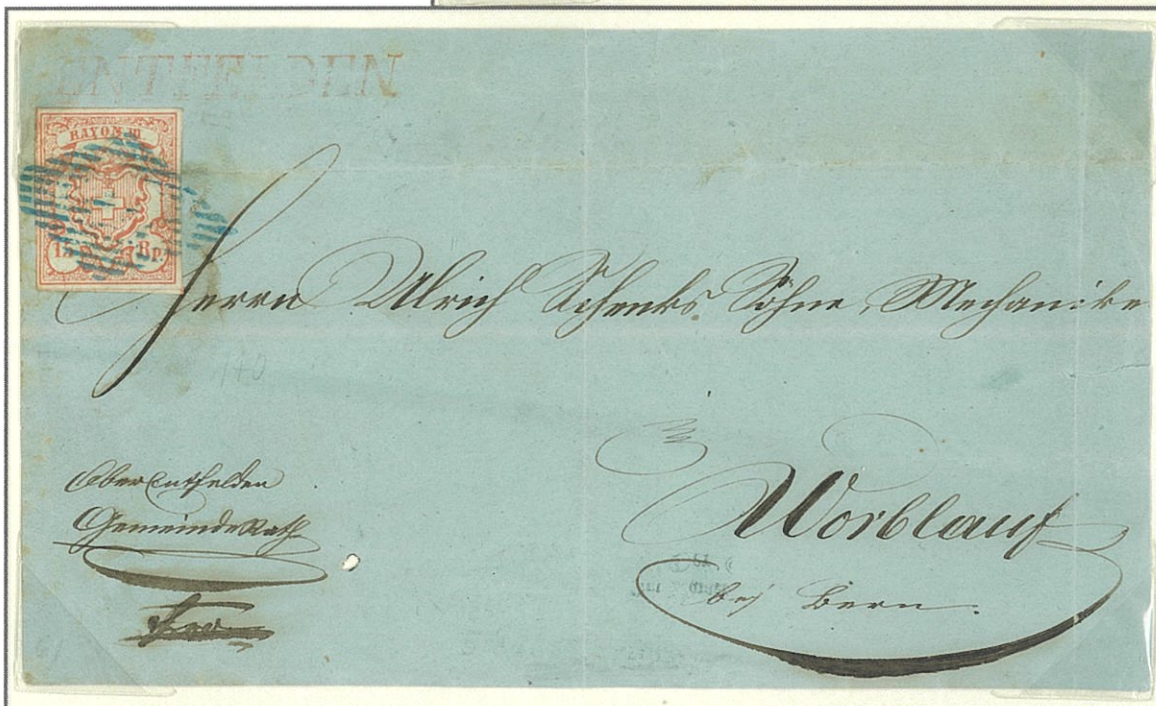


Red Single Line Obliteration

OLI-5, tied by blue
grilled with a red single
line obliteration (
AW2363) beside

ENDINGEN to Worblaufen

15 Rp. RAYON III letter



Jan. 1st, 1852

When the second die of the first stamp for RAYON III rate was transferred, two varieties of denomination : 15 Rp. or 15 Cts. were produced

10 Types

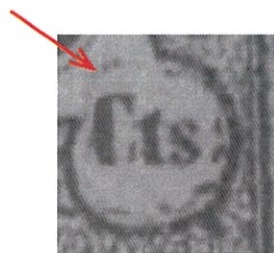
Distinctive Plate Flaw of the Type 8



Type-8



MLII-6



Circle line around Cts



No Circle line



OMII-9, tied by black grill
 BADEN II to Solothurn, 5 AOUT 1852
 15 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON III letter

This denomination stamp was sold and used during the first half of 1852, and was took over by Large 15 Rappen.

A Horizontal Strip of Three on Cover

50 Rp. Rate, Sextuple Weight C.O.D. Letter



A horizontal strip of three ; types 2 + 3 + 2 franked with a RAYON I light blue B3LO - 16
cancelled by triple single line obliterations

RUSSWYL to Eschenbach

50 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON III COD letter of the sixth weight step,
40=15+5*5 for new RAYON III letter of the sixth weight step, and 10 for C.O.D. fee to charge 80 Kr.

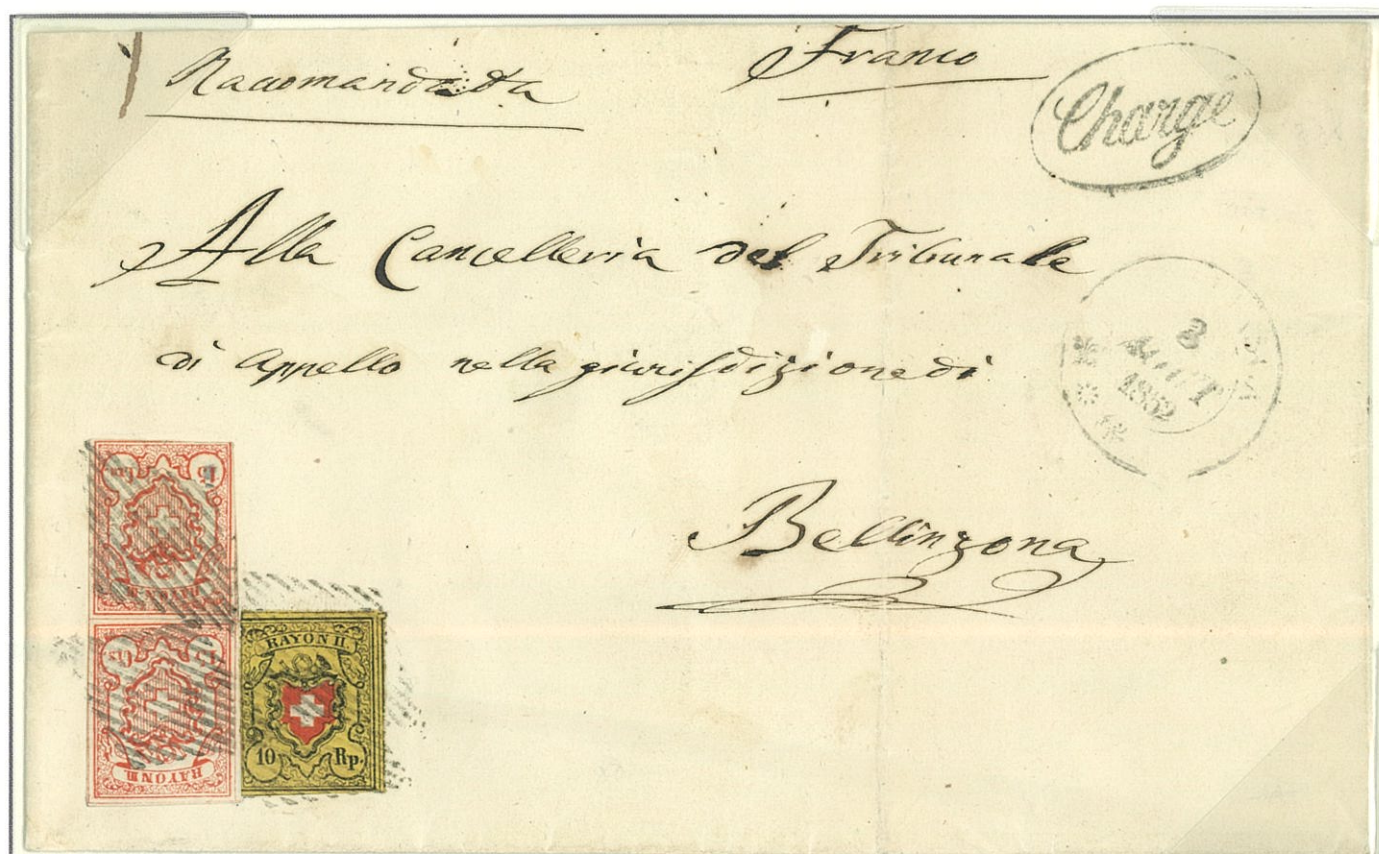
30 Rp. Rate, Registered Letter



OMI-4 & Type-1 on the cover front, tied by black grilled with a red framed RECOMMANDIRT and a red cds
ZÜRICH, Apr. 1852

30 Rp. = 15+15, 15 for new RAYON III letter, and registered letter pay the double rate.

40 Rp Rate, Triple Weight Registered Letter



A vertical pair of 2/4 franked with a RAYON II BILU-14
tied by black grilled with a Charge in oval and double ring cds beside

BIASCA to Bellinzona, 3 AOUT 1852

40 Rp. = 20+20, 20 for new RAYON II letter of the third weight step, and registered letter pay the double rate.

This denomination stamp was used during the first half of 1852, and was took over by Large 15 Rappen later in the same year.

**15 Rp. Rate,
RAYON II
Recorded Letter**

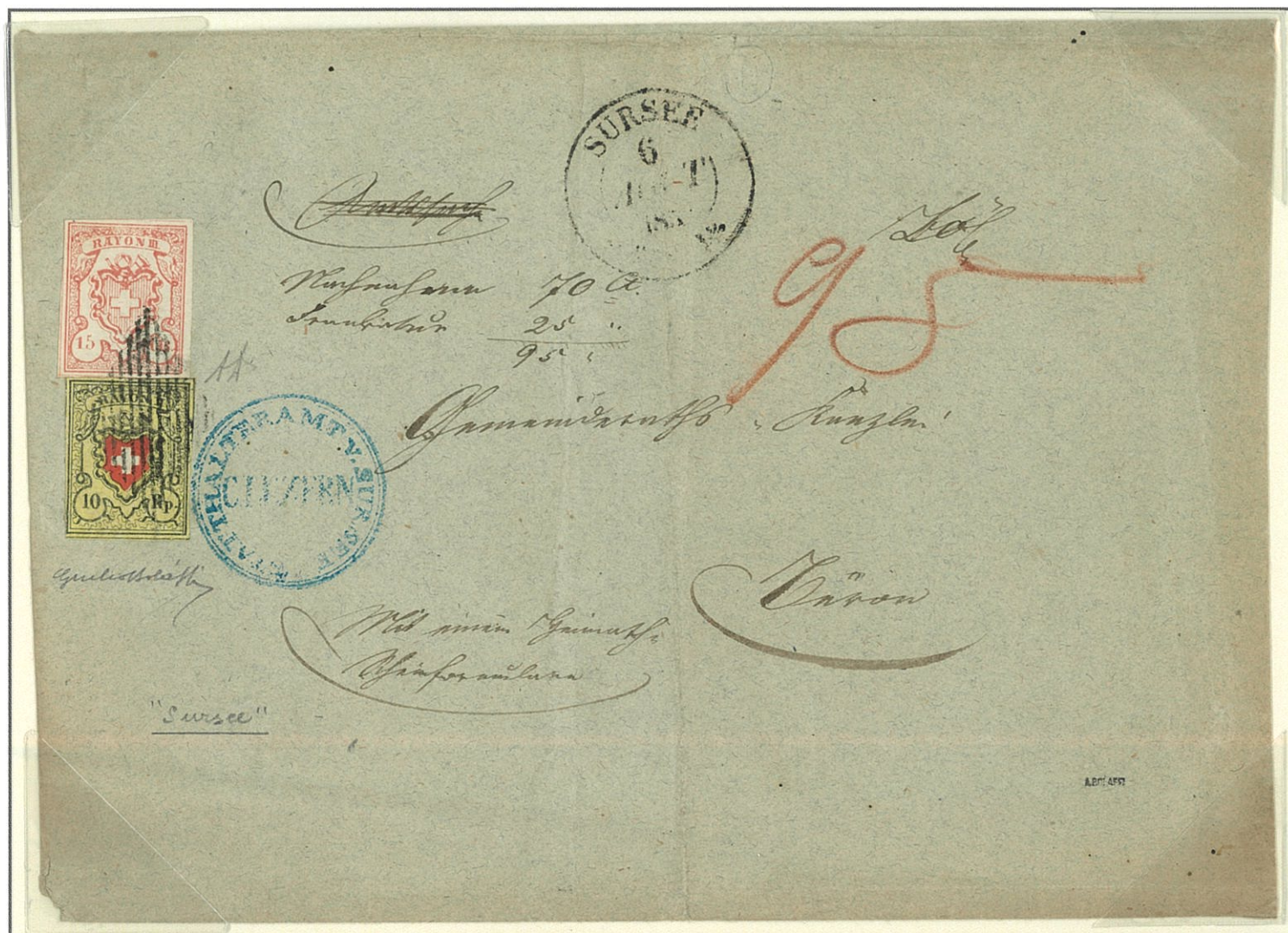


OMI-4 franked with a
RAYON I URU-23 tied
by black grill with a line
cancellation in blue beside

GROSSWANGEN to
Entlebuch, 20 Apr. 1852

15 Rp. correctly paid for
RAYON II recorded letter

25 Rp. Rate, Triple Weight C.O.D. Letter



ORII-2 franked with a RAYON II ERO-34 tied by black grill with a double ring cds in black beside
SURSEE to Büron, 6 AOUT 52

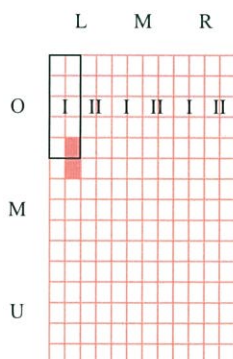
25 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON I COD letter of the third weight step,
5 for new RAYON I letter, 5*2 for additional fee per each 1/2 Loth, and 10 for COD fee for collecting 95 Rp,

As demand on the RAYON III stamps was much bigger than expected, it was necessary to make a further printing plate of RAYON III stamp in the middle of 1852, thus ten types were transferred from the 4th and 5th vertical rows of ORTSPOST plate into the new second die, with the 15 inscribed in much larger figures than hitherto.

10 Types



OLI-10 with
an upper part
of OMI-2



Type 1-2-1-2

Type 3-4-3-4
MMI+MMII

Type 5-6-5-6
UMI+UMII

Type 7-8-7-8

Type 9-10-9-10
OMI+OMII

PF Double Dot



OLII-5

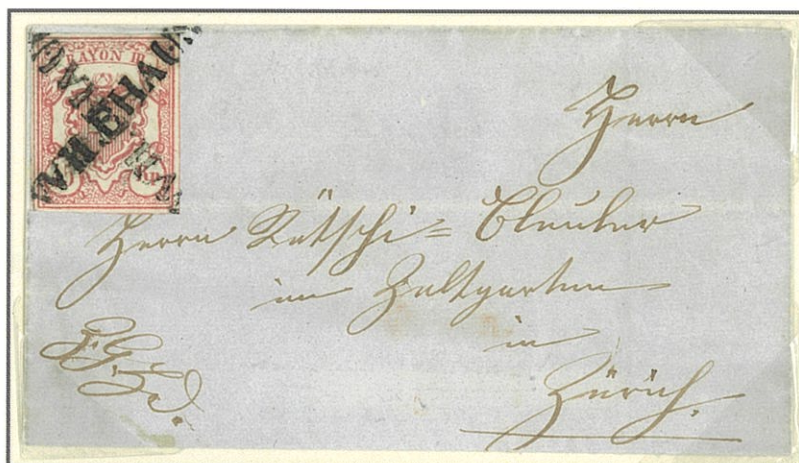


Two dots at the
left of "15"

- Cancellation Varieties -



Type 2
CDS
15 JUL 54
SION



MLII-9 tied by crossed bar cancellations (AW2135)
WILDHAUS to Zürich, 15 AOUT 53
15 Rp. for RAYON III letter



Type 4
Blue grill
LUZERN

60 Rp. Rate, Double Weight Letter to Württemberg



ULI-1, 3 & 5 franked with OMII-10, tied by black grilled with a large double ring cds beside
WEINFELDEN to Stuttgart, Württemberg, 8 MAI 1853

60 Rp. = (10+20) * 2, 10 for RAYON I letter and 20 for DOPV second zone letter

45 Rp. Rate, Septuple Weight C.O.D. Letter Collecting 81 Kr.



ULI-1, MMII-3 and UMI-6 franked, black grilled with a double ring cds beside
THURN to Bern, 17 JUN 53

45 Rp. = $5+5*6+10,35$ for RAYON 1 letter of the weight between 3 and 3.5 Loth, 10 for C.O.D. fee. to charge 27 Fr.=81 Kr.

C.O.D. Only Collect 10 Rp.

CIRO - 9 & 18, and RAYON III ?-4
THUN to Sigriswill, 7 DEC 52

25 Rp. = 15 + 10,
15 for new RAYON III letter
10 for C.O.D. fee

It was sent only to collect 10 Rp.
though it cost 25 Rp.

**25 Rp. Rate, C.O.D. Letter**

OLI-1 with a pair of 1851 RAYON 1, C2RO-17/18 cancelled by blue gridded with a single ring cds beside
ZÜRICH to Rheinfelden, 14 DEC 53

25 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON II COD letter of the second weight step to charge 5.70 Fr.,
10 for RAYON II, 5 for additional fee per 1/2 Loth, and 10 for C.O.D. fee up to 10 Fr.

Being the highest value, it was often used to prepay high value rates such as weight letters or special handlings.

35 Rp. Rate, Quintuple Weight Letter



A horizontal pair MLII-7/8 franked with C2LU-7 tied by blue grill with a blue framed datestamp beside CHUR to Basel, 26 JUL 54

35 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON III letter of the fifth weight step, $35 = 15 + 5 \times 4$

50 Rp. Rate, Septuple Weight C.O.D. Letter



A horizontal pair OLII-7/8 franked with a pair of RAYON II ELU-19/20, tied by grilled obliteration in blue with a blue line cancellation and a double ring cds PLATA to Chur via Dissentis, 9 DEC. 1852.

50 Rp. correctly paid for RAYON II COD letter of the seventh weight step, 10 for RAYON II, 5×6 for additional each 1/2 Loth and 10 for C.O.D.