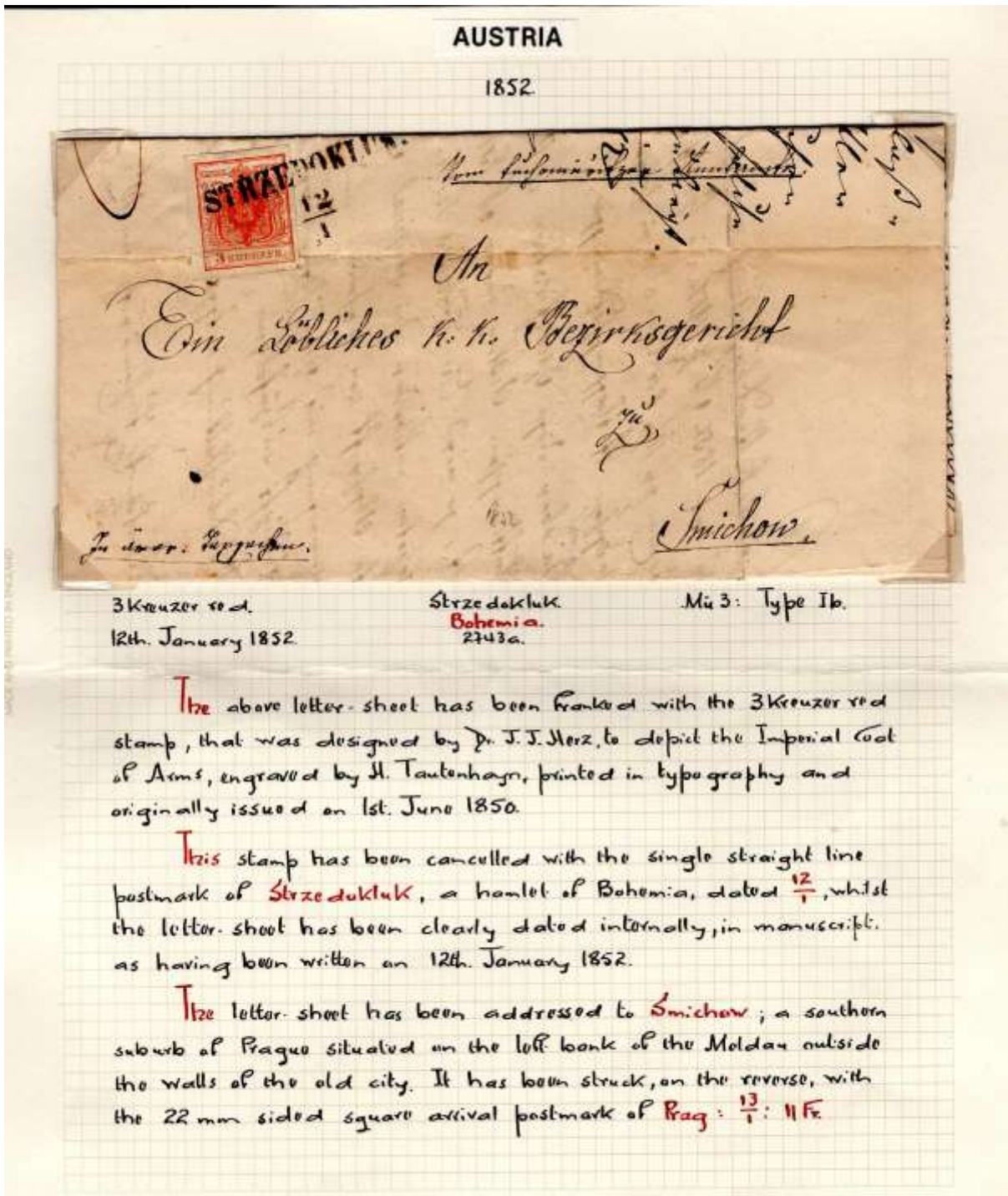


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3 Kreuzer red.
12th. January 1852.

Strzedukluk.
Bohemia.
2743a.

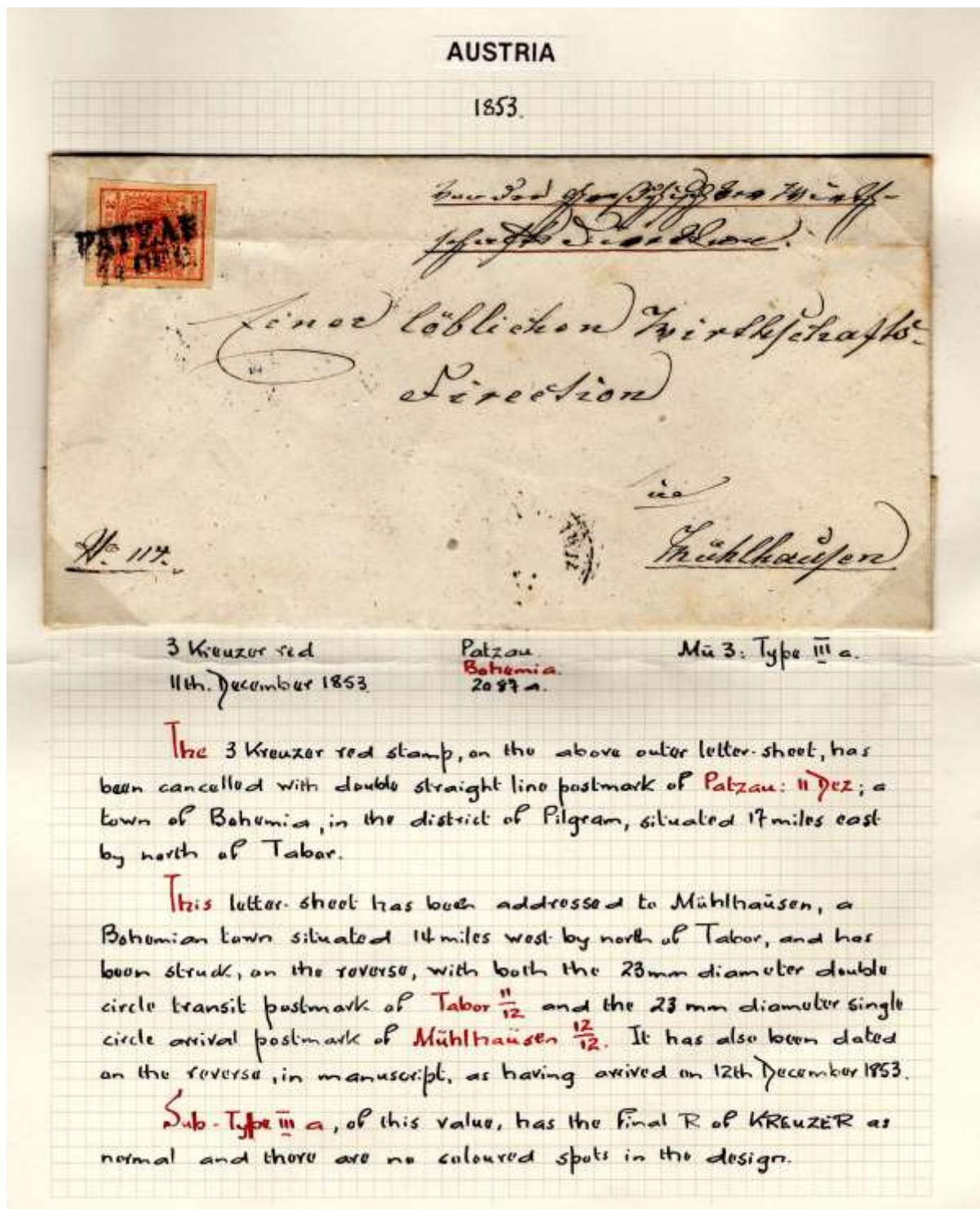
Mü 3: Type Ib.

The above letter-sheet has been franked with the 3 Kreuzer red stamp, that was designed by Dr. J. J. Herz, to depict the Imperial Coat of Arms, engraved by H. Tautenhayn, printed in typography and originally issued on 1st. June 1850.

This stamp has been cancelled with the single straight line postmark of **Strzedukluk**, a hamlet of Bohemia, dated $\frac{12}{1}$, whilst the letter-sheet has been clearly dated internally, in manuscript, as having been written on 12th. January 1852.

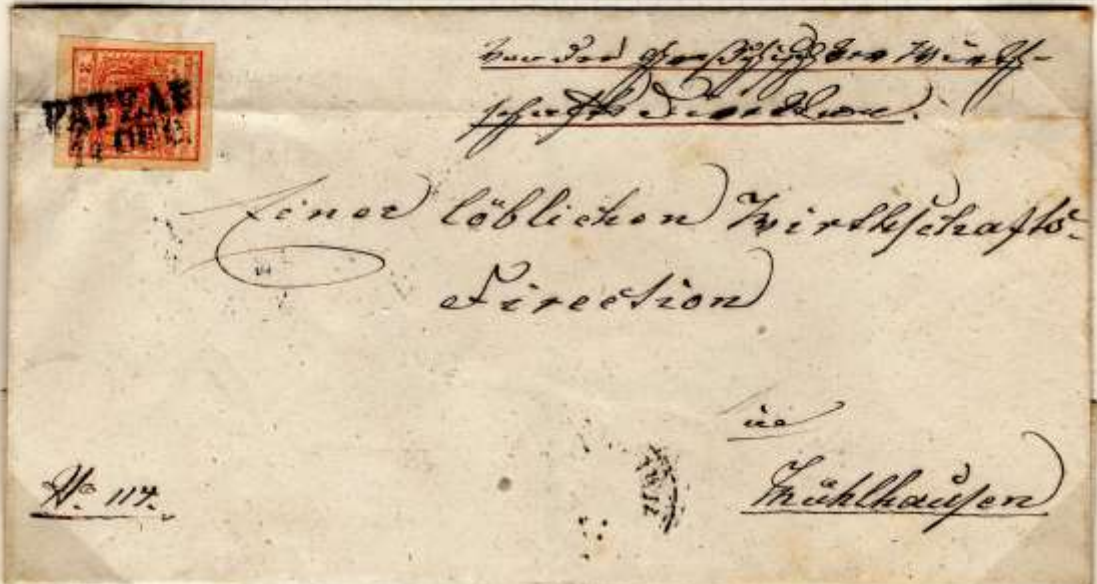
The letter-sheet has been addressed to **Smichow**; a southern suburb of Prague situated on the left bank of the Moldau outside the walls of the old city. It has been struck, on the reverse, with the 22 mm sided square arrival postmark of **Prag**: $\frac{13}{1}$: 11 Fr.

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1853.



3 Kreuzer red

11th. December 1853

Patzau
Bohemia.
20 97 a.

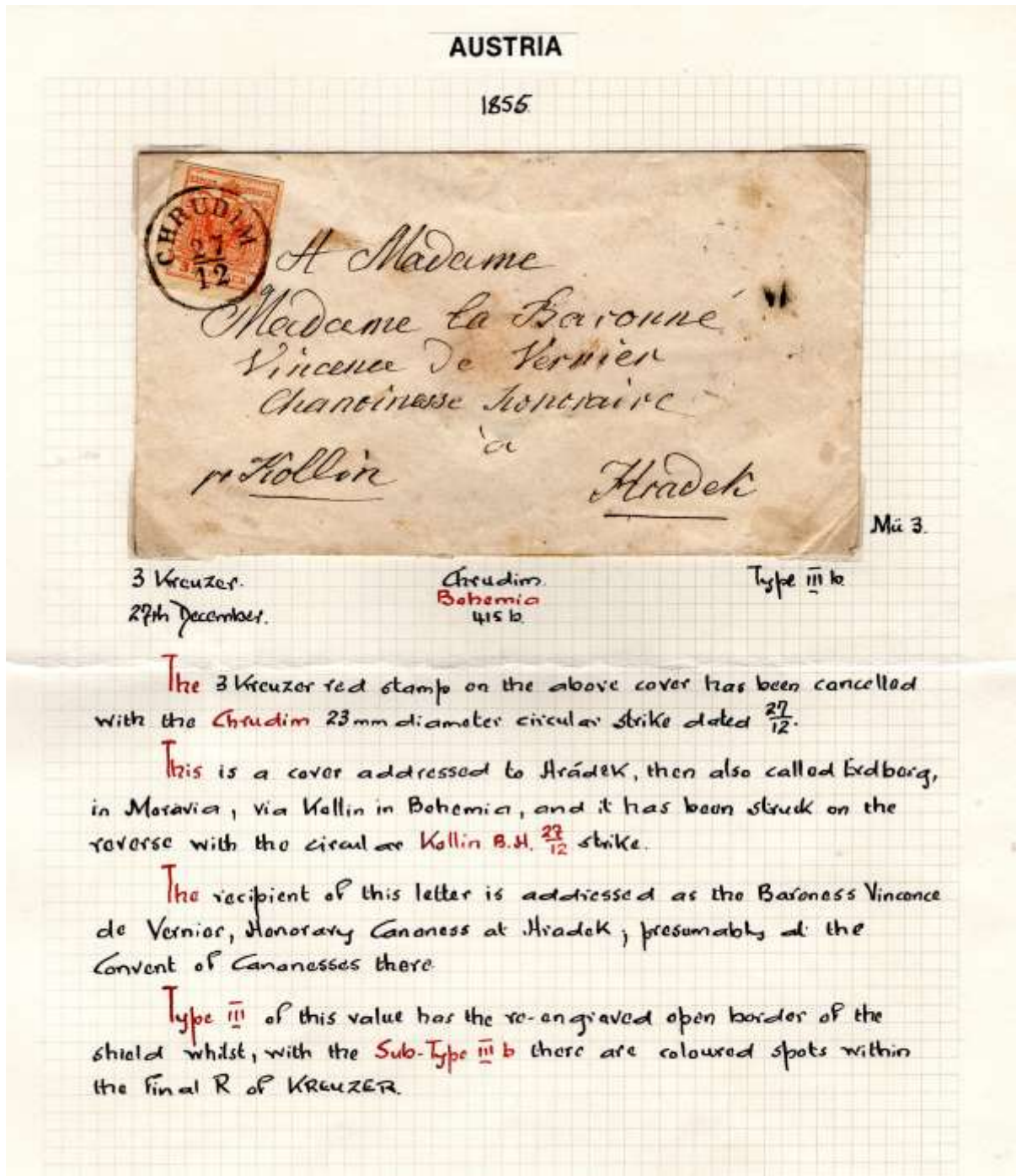
Mü 3. Type III a.

The 3 Kreuzer red stamp, on the above outer letter-sheet, has been cancelled with double straight line postmark of **Patzau: 11 Dez**; a town of Bohemia, in the district of Pilgram, situated 17 miles east by north of Tabor.

This letter-sheet has been addressed to Mühlhäuser, a Bohemian town situated 14 miles west by north of Tabor, and has been struck, on the reverse, with both the 23 mm diameter double circle transit postmark of **Tabor 11/12** and the 23 mm diameter single circle arrival postmark of **Mühlhäuser 12/12**. It has also been dated on the reverse, in manuscript, as having arrived on 12th December 1853.

Sub-Type III a, of this value, has the final R of KREUZER as normal and there are no coloured spots in the design.

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AUSTRIA

1857



4 Kreuzer blue.
27th December 1857

Prag,
Cap. Bohemia
22286

Type III a

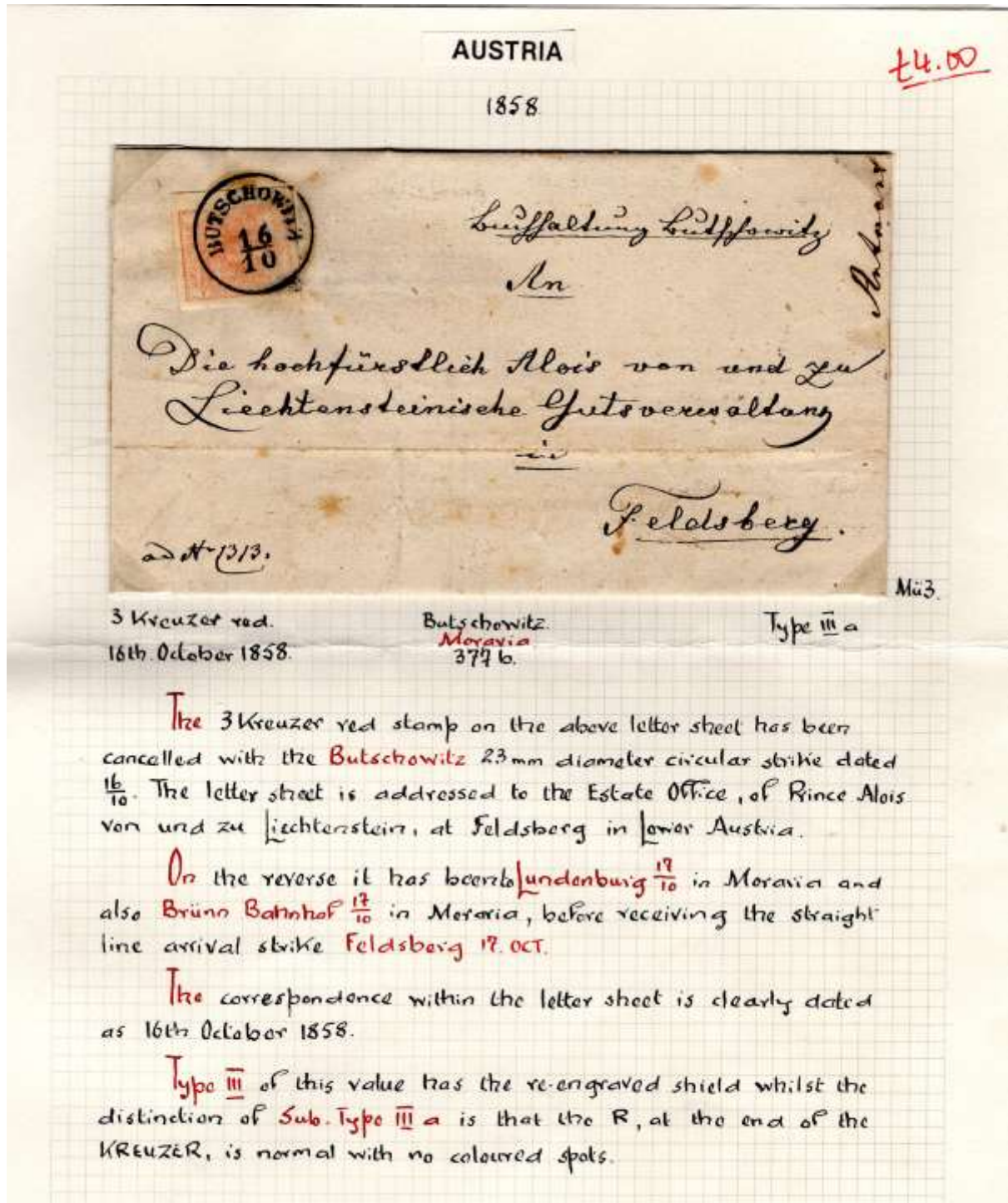
The 4 Kreuzer blue stamp on the above letter-sheet has been cancelled with the 22x24mm rectangular strike of Prag, dated $\frac{27}{12}$ 5A., the capital of the Kingdom of Bohemia situated on the river Moldau at a distance of 155 miles to the north-west of Vienna.

This letter-sheet is clearly dated internally, in manuscript, as having been written on 27th December 1857.

It is addressed to Temesvár, a fortified town in Hungary and the capital of the county of Temes. On the reverse it has been struck with the 23mm diameter single circle postmark of Temesvár $\frac{29}{12}$.

Type III of this value has the re-engraved shield whilst the distinction of Sub-Type III a from III b is that the bottom stroke of the final R of Kreuzer is normal.

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LAKE GARDA MAIL

MAIL CARRIED BY AUSTRIAN GUNBOAT

Most mail was put on board the boat already franked and postmarked and no further on-board markings were required. We can assume that mail between lakeside communities were carried by boat, but cannot always be 100% certain. However, in a few cases, as in the example below, instructional markings are conclusive.



Printed list of exchange-rates of various currencies against the Vienna kreuzers, dated 28 March 1854 (see copy overleaf). The prices were telegraphed from Vienna to Rovereto (21km east of Riva) and mailed from there to Toscelano (on the west bank of Lake Garda).

*The letter was franked first-issue 3kr, and cancelled **ROVERETO / 28. MAR.** The sender has marked the letter *per Riva col vapore* in manuscript. It travelled overland from Rovereto to Riva, and then on the Austrian gunboat to Toscelano, collecting **RIVA** transit and **TOSCELANO** arrival postmarks en route.*

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141c

Al Sig. *Maffizoli Tesolano*

CORSI DELLA BORSA

IN VIA TELEGRAFICA

Vienna li 28 Marzo 1854

V.V.M.C.

1	Obbligazioni metalliche a 5 o/°	79 ¹⁵ / ₁₆
2	Imprestito del 1851 lett. A.	
3	" " " B.	
17	Imprestito del 1834	200
18	detto del 1839	111 ¹ / ₂
39	Azioni della Banca.	1095
53	Augusta	142
54	Francoforte	141 ¹ / ₂
59	Genova	
65	Livorno	106 ¹ / ₂
67	Londra	15.57
70	Milano.	139 ³ / ₄
73	Parigi.	169 ¹ / ₂
76	Trieste	
78	Venezia	
83	Aggio degli zecchini imp.	
	Aggio dei da car. 20.	

Druckort Nr. 421.

Nro.

Aufgabs-Recepisse.

Ueber einen Brief mit *Vier Gulden 17*
welcher zur Beförderung unter der Adresse:

R. R. Herrmann Joseph
am heutigen Tage hierorts richtig aufgegeben worden ist. *Herrmann*

K. K. Postamt

am ten

1856

An Franco fl. fr.

Für ein Retour-Recepisse
Zusammen fl. fr.



[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten signature]

Der Empfänger hat an Porto zu entrichten fl. fr.



**RETURN RECEIPTS
 - 1850 TO 1885**

Receipt privately-printed for
 a law-court.

1862 return-receipt issued by
 the K.K. HANDELSGERICHT
 (commercial court) in Vienna.
 Accompanying a registered
 letter to Baden bei Wien.

The 10kr return-receipt fee was
 paid by a third-issue adhesive
 cancelled WIEN FILIALE
 registered postmark. Correctly
 cancelled again in Baden for
 the return journey.

Produced in court and bearing
 a 15kr fiscal stamp for the
 evidence-tax.



RETURN RECEIPTS - 1850 TO 1885

Receipt privately-printed for a law-court.

Scarce use of a non-standard postmark

1862 return-receipt issued by a district-court in Vienna, accompanying a registered letter to Prossnitz (Moravia).

The 10kr adhesive paying for the return-receipt postage is correctly cancelled by the sending and returning post-offices.

However, Prossnitz did not use a regular postmark but a handstamp usually only used on forms, and very rare cancelling stamps.

15kr fiscal stamp to pay the tax for the production of the document in court.

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Hochwohlgeboren
Herrn
Carl Friedr. Lutter v. Lötzen
K. Rath
Pa. Lutter & Co.
Hier
L. Dombg. 4



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