

Commandant, A.Y.C.

Shanghai Municipal Council,

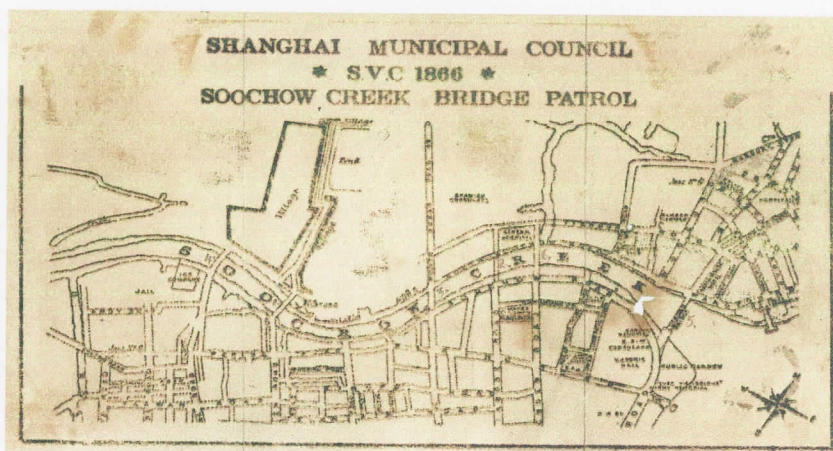
Shanghai.



25 May 1866 cover from a non-subscriber to Shanghai, prepaid 2 candareens (print #41) blue-green Shanghai Local Post postmark and cancel addressed to the Commandant of the SVC, Shanghai Municipal Council, Shanghai

probably deposited at the "Paou Shun" branch post office and subject to the 2 candareens rate **one of three known uses of the Shanghai Local Post large dragon stamps on cover**

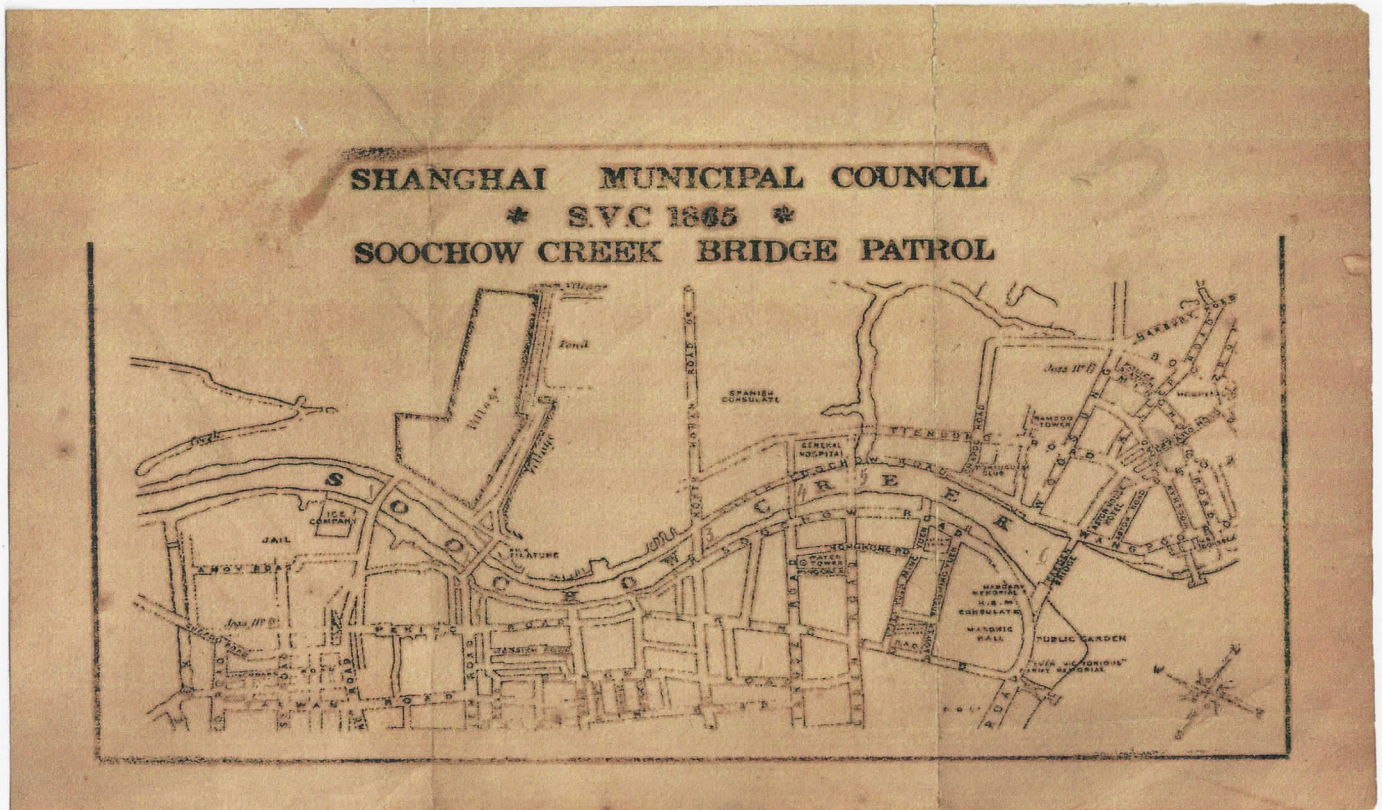
Reduced and cropped image of the original enclosure, dated on reverse, May 1866. The map is imprinted "Shanghai Municipal Council \*SVC 1866 \* Soochow Creek Bridge Patrol" and includes manuscript numbers on the bridges. Three covers from the original find accompanied five dated maps. One cover had a the stamp removed, two are shown.



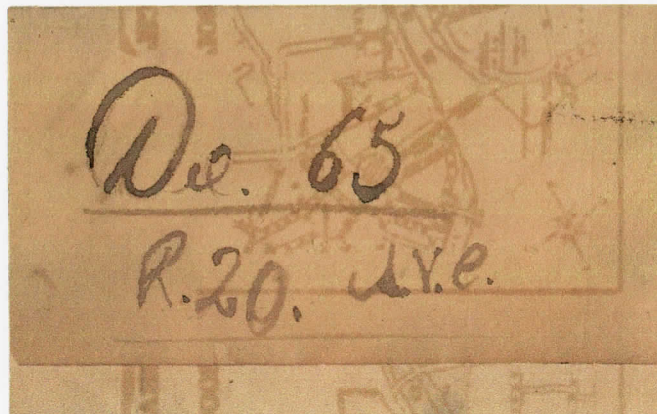
# Shanghai Local Post



The earliest dated enclosed map from the find is shown below. It originated in the December 1865 cover that has stamp torn away. The endorsement on reverse is in the same Chinese brush hand as the covers. The find includes 5 maps and 3 covers. These apparently accompanied reports of the Volunteer Corps reports to Commandant Hornby. The 5 maps are dated November and December 1865, as well as February, March and May 1866. The maps differ in the numbering of the bridges in pen, two include "Senior Patrol") The three covers include the cover below (December 1865 with stamp torn away) and uses with two candareens stamps dated February and May 1866.



"Shanghai Municipal Council / \* SVC 1865 \*/ Sookhow Creek Bridge Patrol" map bridges numbered "1" to "6" by hand from left to right, (reduced image) endorsed on reverse "Dec 5 / R.20. S.V.C. in a "brush" hand



Amos 1880

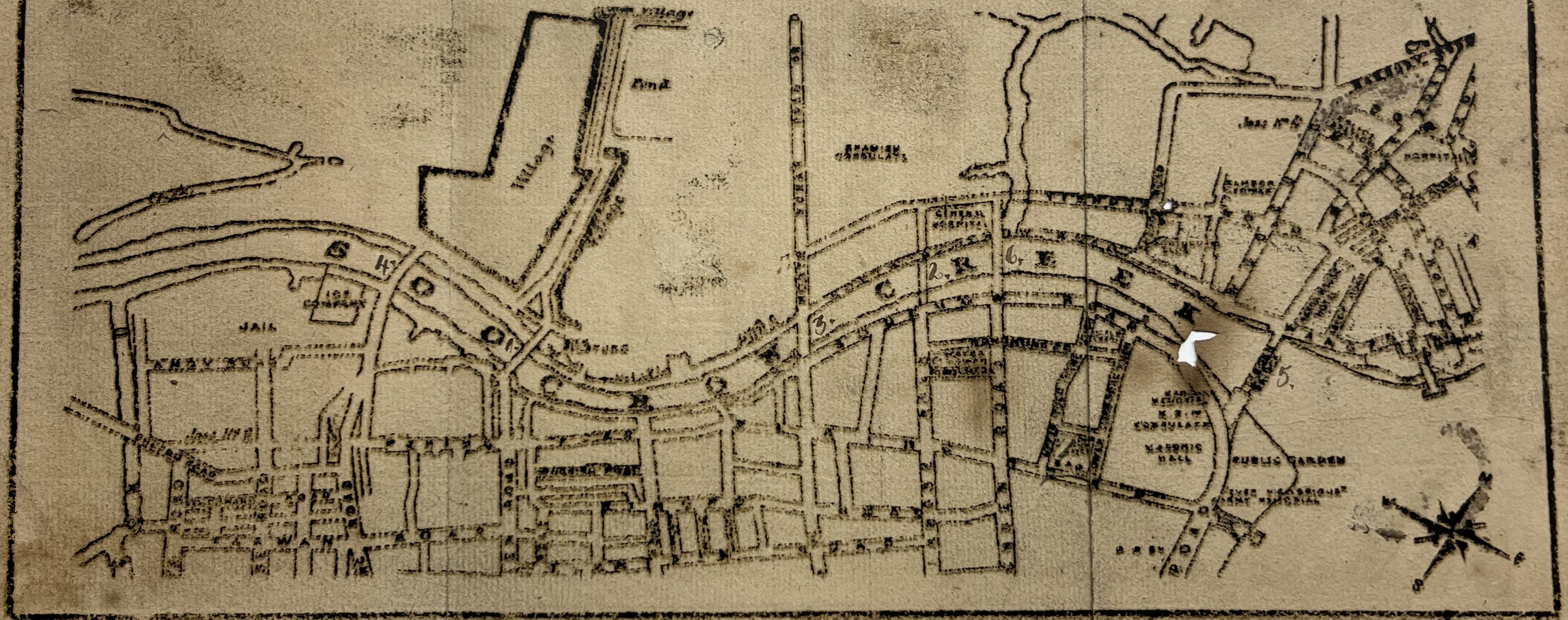
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
\* S.V.C 1866 \*  
SOOCHOW CREEK BRIDGE PATROL



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