1890 KING ALFONSO XIII (BABY) ISSUE



1891, May 23 - Manila-Benasque, registered cover franked with five 12 4/8c de Peso (=61.25 c. de Peso) Baby Head stamps, for quadruple letter rate of 40c plus 20c for registration fee to Spain (there was an excess of 1.25c. de peso).

Aside from the rubber handstamp "CERTIFICADO" (Spanish for "registered") and the regular Manila circular date stamp, the stamps were also tied with an oval "telegraphic" cancellation. Telegraphic offices were normally found in the post offices, and, therefore, it was possible that through carelessness, the telegraph cancel was also applied on postage stamps. Such cancellation is seldom seen used on postal covers.