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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

Our chronicle for the first month of the new century introduces an interesting list of new emissions. The long expected French stamps have at last appeared, and are far from meeting the expectations that have been entertained. They are too artistic for postage stamps. The Swiss postal administration, undeterred by its hideous jubilee label, is again about to attempt something "artistic" and is offering prizes for new designs. Philately is probably responsible for this modern craze for pretty pictures, instead of the good old fashioned plain postage stamp, made for use and not for the purposes of ornamenting a stamp album. Pictorial stamps undoubtedly arouse an interest in stamp collecting, and therefore, are not to be entirely condemned, but more serious collectors will always prefer the stamps of the 19th century, instead of what the 20th century stamp promises to be. This year we are promised another pictorial issue for the United States; the Australian Commonwealth will probably also produce something of that nature and other countries will likely follow in the wake. Our readers will, as usual, find all novelties promptly reported and illustrated in our columns.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.



BOSNIA.—(*New high values.*) The set of the current type with figures in lower corners, has been increased by the issue of a 40 heller orange; two new values have also been issued with

figures in the four corners, they are the krone rose, and 2 kronen blue.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—(*2c Post card.*) A new 2c post card, carmine on buff, single and reply, has appeared to replace the provisional cards listed in March.

BULGARIA.—(*New color 15 s.*) The issue of a 15 stotinki brown on white, perf. 13 of the current type is reported by several European journals.

CANADA.—(*20c of 1893 type.*) The supply of the old 20c. type being at last exhausted, that value in the current design, with figures in the lower corners, was issued Dec. 20th, printed in sage green. The 50c. of the old type is still on sale, a considerable stock yet remains to be used up. The 6c. and 8c. numerals in corners have been exhausted since some months and no more of those values will be issued, but up to a recent date, 6c. and 8c. of the 1897 type, four leaves in corners, have been on sale at the Montreal Post-office. As we learn that these are now also exhausted, the long promised 4c. and 7c. may soon make their appearance.

CHILI.—(*2c card of new type.*) The 2c post card, carmine on blue of current design of adhesives has been issued.

CHINA.—(*French P. O. provisional 25*). The 1 franc olive surcharged 25 centimes in black is reported by *Le Philatelist Français*.

COREA.—(*20 cheun stamp.*) The latest addition to the current set is the 20 cheun red brown.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—(*New issue in preparation.*) Delay in the delivery of the new issue is now given as the cause of so many surcharges on the stamps of the separate States. The lower values being completely exhausted, it has been found necessary to surcharge old stock to supply the demand, but as stated before, these stamps can be used anywhere in the Federation.

(*More Perak Provisionals*). In addition to the surcharged 1c. on 4 and 5c. and 3c. on 50c. listed in our October and November numbers, there have also appeared on Perak stamps, "Three Cent" on 8c., \$1 and \$2, and "One Cent" on \$2. Our correspondent at K. Kangsa, Perak, Mr. J. C. Bath, informs us that a very small number of each of the different surcharges were issued, and that they are selling at high prices locally, about 50 cents each for the surcharged dollar values. He also states that about sixty per cent. of all the provisionals were damaged stamps, useless to a collector and as only ten stamps were sold to any one person at a time, there was a great deal of trouble in getting good specimens. Still, in spite of these precautions, the post-office could not obtain enough low value stamps for actual postal needs, and consequently, a notice was published on Oct. 22nd stating that postage on all matter less than 4c. must be paid in cash. The articles were handed in with the money, stamped PAID, the amount was written in, and a small post marked receipt, about the size of a postage stamp, given to the person posting the letter. *Le Philatliste Français* states that this receipt was stuck on the envelope by the postal officials, and obliterated with the ordinary postmark. If this was done it was contrary to the regulations of the superintendent, in whose official notice the public are especially requested to obtain the delivery to themselves of this receipt. It is important to understand this point, as later on some of these receipts may be offered at high prices as *provisional stamps*, a thing which they are not.

(*Selangor. provisional 1c and 3c*). The 50c Selangor has been surcharged "One Cent" and "Three Cents" with bar across the top cancelling the old value.

FERNANDO-POO—(*Provisional stamps*) The large 10c. de peso Revenue stamp, blue, has again been made to do duty as a postal. Two different surcharges are reported: 1st, with the word CORREOS in large black letters and 5 CEN in oval; 2nd, with the word CORREOS only in large red letters printed obliquely from the lower left to upper right corner.

FRANCE.—(*Issue of the new types*). In our numbers of January and March, 1900, we described the stamps designed to commemorate the Exposition year. After much delay they were at last issued

on Dec. 7th, and, although the types chosen are certainly artistic, we think them far from suitable for postage stamps. The first type, that chosen for the lower values, has an overcrowded, confused appearance, the second type is simpler and looks fairly well, but the third type for the values of 40 centimes and over has the same fault as the first, too much matter crowded into too little space.



We illustrate the three types so a further description is not necessary. The following are the values and colors:—

1st type 1c grey	2d type 25c pale blue
2 violet brown	30 lilac
3 brick red	3d type 40 red and bluish
4 brown	50 brown
5 green	1 f carmine & gr'n'sh
2d type 10c red	2 f lilac and yellow
15 vic million	5 f blue
20 vic 1st-brown	

FRENCH LEVANT.—(*Reported issue of 5 fr. stamps*). The 5 fr. France old type is reported surcharged in black 20 PIASTRES for use in the offices in the Levant. It is to be presumed that the same value will also appear surcharged CAVALLE, DEDEAGH and VATHY.



GERMAN COLONIES.—(*New types*). As promised we illustrate the two types of the new stamps of the different German Colonies.

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that the new 1½ sen stamp announced last month has been surcharged like the rest of the current set with Japanese characters for use at the offices in China and Corea.

MACAO.—(*New 5, 10, 15 and 20 avos*). Stamps of the value of 5a brown, 10a blue, 15a green and 20a light brown on buff have been added to the current set, taking the place of the surcharged stamps of those values. A 78 avos is also said to be contemplated.



MALTA.—(*New 1 farthing stamp*). We illustrate the new ¼d stamp which was issued on Jan. 4th and for specimens of which we have to thank Dr. R. Nandi

of Valletta. This is the stamp which went the rounds of the press as being of 1s 4d in value.

MAURITIUS.—(*2c envelope*). In addition to the adhesives listed in new colors last month the 2c of the same type has been impressed in dull lilac on small un-gummed white envelopes, the visiting card size.

NEW ZEALAND.—(*1d commemorative*). Universal penny postage adopted by progressive New Zealand, to inaugurate the new century, is fittingly commemorated by a special stamp. The design is well chosen and well executed, in the foreground stands New Zealand represented by a female figure pointing across the sea upon which a steamer is seen conveying messages to all the world. Beside the figure is a globe signifying universality, while in the background there looms up one of New Zealand's famous mountain peaks. The artist is to be congratulated upon his successful work. The stamp is printed by Waterlow of London, and is in the regulation U.P.U. color carmine.

PARAGUAY.—(*Latest additions to the new set*). In addition to the values described last month the 3c brown, 8c maroon and 24c blue have appeared also a set of official stamps of the same type consisting of

1c blue	8c brown
2c red	10c rose
4c brown	24c blue
5c green	

PORTUGUESE INDIA.—(*Reported high values*). It is reported by *Mekeels W. S. News* that stamps of the value of 12 tangas, 1, 2 and 5 rupees are shortly to appear.

SERVIA.—(*Provisional 10 paras*). On account of the breaking of the 10 paras plate, the 20 paras has been printed in rose and surcharged 10 "APA in black.

SIAM.—(*New set*). A set of stamps, having a portrait of the reigning sovereign slightly turned to the left, has recently been appearing, it is presumed that these stamps are to supercede the set with profile to left reported in our numbers of Feb. and March, 1900. The following values are reported of this type:—

1 att green	10 atts bright blue
2 " " and rose	12 " claret
3 " " and blue	64 " brown
8 " " and orange	

SOUDAN.—(*New unpaid letter set*). Few stamps have enjoyed so steady a sale to collectors as the large bi-colored "camel" series of Soudan. Encouraged, no doubt, by the success of their first experiment the postal administration has prepared an unpaid letter set to take the place of that surcharged on Egyptian "unpaid" stamps. The "ship of the desert" gives place to a Nile boat as a central design, and the values and colors are:—

2 mil brown,	centre black
4 " green	" brown
10 " violet	" green
20 " carmine	" blue

SPAIN.—[*New set issued*] In our number of May last we announced the forthcoming appearance of a 15c stamp bearing a portrait of the boy king in military uniform. The stamp has not yet come to hand, but from a correspondent we learn that the design has been adopted and that the following values are now ready and were to be issued January 1st.

2 centimos, brown	30 ctos. lt green
3 " dk. green	40 " olive brown
10 " salmon	50 " blue green
15 " blue	1 peseta, magenta
20 " olive grey	4 " violet
25 " lt. blue	10 " orange

SWITZERLAND.—(*Prospective new issue*). It is officially announced in the *Swiss Journal Officiel* that the Federal Post-office Department has opened a competition to Swiss artists for a new design for postage stamps of the value of 2, 3, 5, 10, 12 and 15 centimes. The principal design may consist of scenery or allegorical figures at the choice of the artist, but the word HELVETIA must appear, and the figures of value must be distinct at a glance. The new stamps are to be of the same size as those current

Prizes amounting to 3,000 fr. are to be divided between the three or four best sketches submitted.

TIMOR.—(*New 10, 20 and 78 avos*). New stamps for this Portuguese colony have been received for the U.P.U. official collections as follows:—

- 10 avos dark blue on blue
- 20 " brown on buff
- 78 " black and red on blue.

The new 10 and 20 avos replace the provisionals issued about a year ago.

VAAL RIVER COLONY.—(*£5 stamp surcharge*). The old So. African Republic £5 green has been surcharged. "V. R. 1." A number of unofficial surcharges by local authorities have appeared from time to time, but as they are not recognized by the military Government and an order issued forbidding them in future, they may be regarded as more or less speculative.

VENEZUELA. — (*Provisional official stamps*). The 1898 set of official stamps are reported surcharged with the date 1900. This surcharge is found printed in black on the background of net work in each of the upper corners of the stamps of all values;—5, 10, 25, 50 c. and 1 bol.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of Philatelists.

TURKEY. — (*Forged 25 piastres*). A difficult forgery to detect is that of the 25 p. of 1876. claret and rose, 1886, black and grey, 1888, red and yellow. The *Bulletin Mensuel* reports them as in circulation and reproduces enlarged copies of the genuine and the imitation side by side. The differences are difficult to describe consisting of misplaced dots and dashes in the Turkish characters. Should any 25 piastres be offered we would advise our readers to submit them to an expert before purchasing.

NOTES FROM NEW ZEALAND

BY H. BOLITHO, AUCKLAND, N. Z.

The following clippings from the daily papers here will no doubt prove of interest: The Post and Telegraph Department have received from America plates for the new 1½d stamp, to be issued next month. The stamp which was designed by J. M. Nairn, of this city, is emblematic of the part taken by New Zealand in the war. The design is 1½in long and seven-eighths of an inch deep. At the top are the words, "New Zealand," and below "postage and revenue," the denomination being in the left-hand upper corner. In the fore ground, on either side is a trooper and horse. In the middle distance a company of mounted infantry is advancing from their camp, the background being ranges of snowclad mountains. The New Zealand flag is draped over the scene in the setting of which a tree-fern and other foliage is prominent. In the left hand lower corner a scroll bears the words "The Empire's call." The colour is not yet decided on.

Forty thousand new penny postage stamps, sent from London by the San Francisco mail, are due here on December 10; 60,000 by the Waiwera, between 15th and 20th; and 900,000 by the Papanui, due on December 31. The other million and the plates have been forwarded by the Gothic.

FROM A SPEECH BY THE HON. J. G. WARD.

Penny postage was not the only reform to be brought into operation. It was proposed to establish from January 1 "an express" delivery by telegraph messenger for letters and parcels (up to 3lb). The delivery at first would be restricted to the principal centres, but gradually it would be extended to other portions of the colony.

Under this system "expressed" articles would be sent from any post office within the colony, and such offices outside the colony as cared to reciprocate with us. The delivery would be up to three miles. For the first mile sixpence would be charged, and for each additional mile three-pence. Provision would also be made for expressed articles and stamped telegrams being collected by letter carriers and telegraph messengers. In the case of

telegrams this should be a decided convenience to people, living some distance from the telegraph office. Another proposal was to have uniform parcel rates for all parts of the Empire. The present rate to London was one shilling for the first lb, and sixpence for each additional lb. The rate now proposed was one shilling for 3 lb, two shilling for 7 lb, and three shillings for 11 lb. In addition he also proposed to establish a telegraph messenger service in connection with the telephone exchanges, to enable subscribers to ring for a messenger to run an errand, order a cab, etc., and the charge would be same as for "express" letter delivery up to three miles, and messages would be delivered up to five miles on payment of the ordinary cab or train fare. He had every confidence that a success would be made of such a system. It would be self-supporting, and was worth a trial.

Mr. J. Davis, late postmaster of Samoa, is in Auckland. Mr. Davis long enjoyed the distinction of being postmaster, both under the King and the Treaty Powers. He was first appointed to the position in 1885, by the three Consuls, British, American, and German, who were then governing the municipality of Apia. In 1886 he was appointed by Malietoa, the king, as postmaster of the Kingdom of Samoa, and continued in the office up to February 28, 1900. Mr. Davis has experienced several revolutions and civil wars, but his position was always maintained by the party in power, his latest appointment being from the young King Malietoa, who was put into the kingship by the Powers in 1898. Mr. Davis had the designing of his own stamps, and the dies have always been in the hands of the New Zealand Government, by whom they have always been printed. Among the most interesting of the stamp issues is that known as the "Black Error," when the head of Malietoa was printed in the New Zealand office black, which was considered a reflection on his majesty's complexion. Another most interesting issue is the Samoan stamp with the word "provisional" printed across it diagonally. This issue is historical, as it was printed by the authority of the Chief Justice during the late Samoan war, and was the last to appear prior to Germany taking over the island. Mr. Davis is going down to Wellington to break the ties of his stamps, and so conclude not only his own con-

nection with the postal business, but the final scene in a most interesting and unique official career. Mr. Davis, who has known Samoa for 27 years, and who has vested interests there, says that the British residents seem to be getting on very well under German rule. He speaks in the highest terms of the Governor, Dr. Solf, whom he declares to be one of the finest officials who has ever held power in the islands. He says however that a good number of Britishers are moving over to Pago Pago, which place, since it has been made the port of call for the San Francisco mail steamers and the naval depot for the United States Government, promises to grow into an important centre.

A Conference of the heads of departments in the six Australian colonies was opened at the General Post Office, Sydney, on November 15th, Mr. Crick, Postmaster-General of New South Wales, presiding. The Chairman said the conference had been called with a view to paving the way for handing over the various post offices, of the six colonies to the Federal Government in a manner that would reflect credit upon all the permanent heads of the various post office departments. Regarding the matters to be considered, one of the most important was the Post Office Savings Banks. It was not intended that the Government Savings Bank should be handed over to the Federal Government, but it would be carried on by the post office as usual, and arrangements made for the post office staff to work it. The conference would have to consider the provision of a special mail train to meet the English boats at the various important ports. His idea was that they might have a sort of traveling post office. Another point to be dealt with by the Postmaster General was a system of penny postage throughout the Federation. If that were decided upon, then why not have it to England also? It seemed an anomaly that a letter could even now be sent from England to any of the Australian colonies for 1d if the respective Governments would only let it in. They should have penny postage right through the British dominions. There might be an immediate loss, but that would soon disappear. The delegates should consider a reduction in the price of telegrams.

The sittings of the conference are being conducted with closed doors.

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SHOULD A PHILATELIST COLLECT FISCALS.

In the December number of the *Canadian Philatelic Magazine* there appears an article apparently reproduced from some

English journal, headed "Fiscals or Postage Stamps" in which the author asks the question "why do many philatelists draw the line at Postage Stamps?" and endeavors to prove that Fiscals are equally deserving of attention, by the consistent collector, as postals. The article is an interesting one, but utterly fails to touch the real reason why a "Philatelist" to be consistent *cannot* collect Fiscals.

The name of our science "Philately" was expressly chosen to exclude the collection of stamps, labels or entires which represented a "tax"; postage stamps proper, when unused represent a service to be rendered by the State, and when used are evidence of that service performed; their appearance upon a letter or other mail matter, if of the requisite denomination, frees such matter from any "tax" for carriage or delivery. The choice of a name to be drawn from classical antiquity, for so modern a science as postage stamp collecting, was a difficult one; one of those first suggested "Philately" (and at the time partially adopted) literally translated can mean a lover of taxation, though really intended for a "lover of things from afar." This exposed the suggested name to a good deal of ridicule, and the universal adoption of the present title was the result. It may be said that a fiscal stamp, being evidence on a document that the "tax" has been paid, can also mean exemption from *further* taxation, and only by this far fetched reasoning can a revenue stamp collector approach the title of Philatelist.

Collectors of postage stamps are jealous of the application of a title all their own to a pursuit which has little in common with the scientific collection and study of postage stamps. It is unnecessary to relate the oft told tale of the benefits of true philately, but it may be useful to point out some of the reasons why fiscals can never attain the same popularity as postals, and why recent attempts to give

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them an undue prominence can but injure our science and for that reason does not deserve the encouragement from philatelists some writers wish to give it. This subject is by no means a new one, it was well fought out in the philatelic press of 1873 and 1874, by the men who laid the foundation of modern philately; then as now we premise our objections by stating that we have no fault to find with collectors of fiscals if their tastes incline them to such a pastime—a collection of anything, no matter what, is interesting—but such collections from their very nature lack that cohesion and completeness, which form the basis of a systematic study of postage stamps, and while introducing loose unscientific methods, by so much, they must injure philately by foisting upon it these defects.

We have briefly outlined above, what a postage stamp is, we can only define a fiscal as a receipt for the payment of a tax; many kinds are not even sold to the public, but like the Canadian Weights and Measures, Gas Inspection, etc., are affixed to documents on payment of fees, by the officials who receive payment, and are intended only to serve as a check on the remittances made to the Government by those officials; they might be termed part of a system of Government book-keeping made easy. Who first invented this system, or how long it has been in use, are questions lost in the early history of civilized Government. Therefore a fiscal collection can have no starting point. A very large number of fiscal stamps are impressed on documents, which remain in public records or archives, and are unattainable by a private collector hence there can be no attempt at completeness even of known specimens. Many others cannot legally be removed without destruction, such as beer and tobacco labels, and the English medicine stamps, thus forming another large class of unattainables. The writer in the article above

referred to attempts to surmount this difficulty by the advice to "collect only adhesive fiscals." Well beer and tobacco labels are so adhesive that they can only be removed when torn. Besides if philately be a science it must be consistent with common sense, and if impressed fiscals are to be rejected, and adhesives only collected, the whole matter becomes ridiculous being reduced to the childish distinction of gummed and un-gummed specimens as the standard of what is collectible and what is not. Some of the follies of private proprietories will be discussed in a future article.

AMENDE HONORABLE

We have received from the editor of the *Bay State Philatelist*, the following letter of apology for the reflections cast upon the officers and members of the League of C. Ph., by its Canadian correspondent.

Melrose H'ds, Mass, Dec. 26, 1900.

Dear Mr. Wurtele:—

I beg to apologize for the remarks concerning the League written by our correspondent Mr. Muirhead.

Very truly, Herbert Gile, jr.

We are sure the members of the league, will gladly accept Mr. Gile's apology and allow the incident to drop as far as he or his paper is concerned.

CREAM OF THE MAGAZINES.

What becomes of the annual stamps of the South American Republics and others of the same sort? That is a question which has been often asked and to which no one can give a better answer than the Brothers of St. Jean de Dieu of Gand. They have employed their spare time in decorating the walls of their hospital with wonderful landscapes, glittering with color and full of life, composed entirely of postage stamps. Palaces, forests, rivers and mountains are depicted, butterflies of brilliant colors flutter in the breeze, birds of multi-colored plumage are perched on the trees, with snakes and crocodiles, animals and men enlivening the foregrounds. Already ten millions of postage stamps have been thus used—*Le Philatéliste Français*.

"I received last week from Shanghai a letter stamped with ordinary Chinese stamps but over these is placed a French 25c. stamp surcharged "Chine", this being postmarked with the French obliteration "Shanghai—Chine." Can any of your friends explain this business?"

We can state on the authority of a missionary just returned from China that the French stamps are placed on the letters by the Chinese postal officials, and that they are almost invariably used because they are fractionally cheaper than those of other nations. It is for the same reason that the various post offices in the Levant surcharge their stamps with values in piastres. £1 sterling is roughly equal to 25 francs, but £1 will only buy 96 2 1-2d. stamps, whereas for 25 francs one can get 100 stamps of 25 centimes. Consequently for a Chinese tael (value about 4 6), the Chinese post office can get one more French stamp than it can of English or German, and as the three stamps of 2 1-2d., 25 centimes and 20 pfennig, have exactly the same franking power, this is an advantage not to be lost sight of.—*Even's W. Stamp News*

India is divided into British India (subject to the direct rule of authorities appointed by the British Crown), and various Native States of which there are a vast number (many hundreds in all) attached to Britain by various ties, but all more or less dependent upon British power. A common characteristic of all Native States is that in their territory British Indian law does not run. The Native States are divided into Dependent Native States (Cashmere, Travancore, &c.), Tributary Native States (Deccan, Holkar, &c.), and Independent States (Nepaul, &c.). Most of these states are governed by Native Princes who levy their own taxes and have various other rights and means of raising their incomes, one being the right to issue their own stamps. These stamps, as a rule, are only able to frank letters, &c., in the particular state to which they belong, and do not generally go beyond the boundaries of the said state. Thus the stamps become practically a local issue, only on a much larger scale than the Russian or Denmark Locals. Imperial Indian Stamps for the most part used for franking letters abroad. Imperial Indian Stamps surcharged for use in Native States have franking power to any part of British

India. The Native Princes finding that it pays them to issue stamps, naturally issue an ever increasing number, for no other purpose than to draw money from the pockets of stamp collectors, and most of us will look forward to the time when one set of stamps will be sufficient for the whole of India.—*The Stamp Collector.*

NEW PUBLICATIONS

STANDARD POSTAGE STAMP CATALOGUE, 1901.

The 60th edition of *Scott Stamp and Coin Co., New York*, this standard work made its appearance on or about Christmas day. All the copies we have seen bear evidence of haste in the bindery, the edition seems to have been rushed through to make up for lost time. With the exception of new issues, there is practically no change in the catalogue proper from that of last year, and as regards the pricing it is simply a conversion into American currency of Stanley Gibbons catalogue prices, with a few exceptions. We doubt the advantage of the publication of annual editions of the Standard catalogues, especially as they do not appear at any fixed date; the Scott catalogue coming as it does this year in the middle of the dealer's busy season, is more of a hindrance than a help to his trade. The delay was caused by the late appearance of Gibbons part 11, which did not arrive till August, and in consequence the work of copying the prices could not be begun till then. If we are to have an annual catalogue in future, we trust the Scott Co. will take an independent stand as regards prices, and bring out their work early in September, to the great advantage of commercial philately in America.

PHILATELIC RECORD. Vol. 1. No. 1. *Arthur R. Magill, Montreal.*—This latest addition to philatelic journalism is a modest venture of eight small pages and cover; the usual typographical errors inseparable from a first attempt at journalistic proof reading are much in evidence, but this defect will disappear as the editor becomes habituated to his work. The contents of the number before us are interesting, the best item being an article on the Nova Scotia cent series, by Edgar Nelson reprinted from the *Era* of 1897. Publisher's notices, a few editorial comments, an article on Denmark by Mr. Chapman, and advertisements complete the number. We wish the paper a full measure of success.

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	10c do	20 00	9 00		24c do used	3 00 1 25
1851	1c Type 1, fine copy used showing lower part of stamp above. 2 sets of curls visible	25	12 00		30c do do gray black	50 20
	1c Type 2, used	25	10		90c do unused	6 00 3 00
	1c do 2, unused	2 50	1 00	1875	2c verm. do do	1 00 60
	1c do 3, used pair unsevered	2 00	8 00		5c blue do do	2 00 1 00
	1c do 3, copy on original Cover	10 00	5 00	1879	1c American do do	1 00 50
	10c unused, no gum	15 00	6 00		3c do do	40 20
	12c do do	20 00	8 00		15c do red orange unused	40 25
	12c used, 2 unsevered pairs, fine, 2 shades	7 00	4 00		15c do do do	21 00 12 50
1856	1c Type 2, unused	10 00	5 00		90c American unused	7 50 3 50
	1c do 2, used	1 00	40		90c do used, strip of 3	3 00 1 25
	1c do 2, strip of 3 used	3 00	1 50	1882	5c Garfield unused	50 20
	1c do 3, used	12	05		10c do do	30 20
	3c outer line	25	10	1883-7	1c 2c 3c 4c all unused	44 20
	10c used	30	15	1888	4c 5c 70c do	1 27 60
	12c do	75	35		30c used	35 15
1861	1c unused	30	15		30c do pairs	70 35
1861-2	1c 3c 5c 10c used	46	25	1890	1, 2, 3, 4, 5c 6c 8c all	71 40
1862	2c unused	15	7 50		2c lake un-used	50 20
1865	2c do grille 11 x 13	3 50	1 50		1c to 30c used	27 10
	3c do do 11 x 13	5 00	2 50	1893	1c to 30c used	1 30 70
	10c do do 11 x 13	7 50	3 50		50c very fine vertical pair used	1 00 60
	12c used do 11 x 13	49	20	1894	No wmk, 1c to 5c used	54 25
	2c do do 9 x 13	10	04		do 10c 15c 30c unused	1 25 90
	10c do do 9 x 13	60	25	1895	Wmk, 1c to 10c unused	75 40
	15c do do 9 x 13	1 50	50		do 5c do	2 50 2 25
	15c unused do 9 x 13	10 00	4 50		do 2c, 10c not centred	1 50 1 00
	15c do do 9 x 13 fine black	8 00	45 00	1898	Omaha, 1c to 30c unused	1 38 90
	of 8	5 00	2 50		Unpaid (brown) 1, 2, 3, 10c used	37 15
1869	1c 2c 3c 6c all unused	7 00	3 50		do 3c used	40 20
	12c us-d	50	20		Red brown 30c 50c used	1 95 95
	90c perf, proof unused fine		5 00		Bright claret 1c to 30c used	66 30
	90c original, full gum, not evenly centred	35 00	25 00		do 30c 50c unused	2 00 1 00
	1870 6c gille used	3 00	1 50		Newspaper Continental 2c 3c un-used	1 25 60
1870-1	2c National unused, no grille	1 50	70		do do 4c unused trim-	
	3c do do	2 00	90		med at bottom	75 30
	7c do do	10	04	do	Continental 6c unused	2 50 1 25
	12c do do	40	15	do	do 60c do	7 50 3 50
	24c do do	1 50	80	do	do 90c do	10 00 6 00
	7c do do	50	20	do	American 1c 2c 3c do	1 10 40
	12c do do	1 00	49	do	do 72c do	10 00 6 00
1873	1c Continental unused	1 00	49	do	1895 U.S. P.S. 1c 2c 10c unused	45 20
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENTS.

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Interior Continental 1 2 12 24c unused	1 83	90	do 3c 6c do	00	40	
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do American 3 6 and 10c unused	1 13	50	do 7c not p-rect used	3 00	1 10	
do do 15c do	3 50	1 75	do 1c 2c "Sp. prima" unused		50	
Justice Continental 6c do	2 50	1 20	do 1c Error "Specimen" do rare		1 50	
do do 10c used	3 00	1 20	Treasury Continental 1 3 6 12c unused	2 05	1 00	
do 1c Specimen unused		1 50	do do 2 10 90c used	97	40	
Executive 1c Specimen do		50	do do 30 unused	50	20	
Post office Continental 2c 12c unused	1 25	60	do do 7c pen can used	1 50	75	
do do 15c 24c do	2 00	90	War do 6 12c unused	2 50	1 00	
do do gray surface 3c 6c unused	1 45	65	do do 15 24 90c do	1 45	70	
			do Continental 7 10 30c used not choice	3 30	1 20	

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