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o	Used	E	Essay		
❑	Block	P	Proof		

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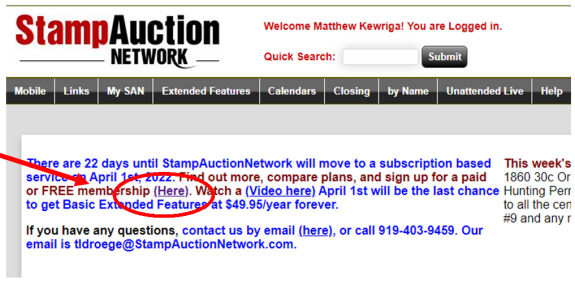
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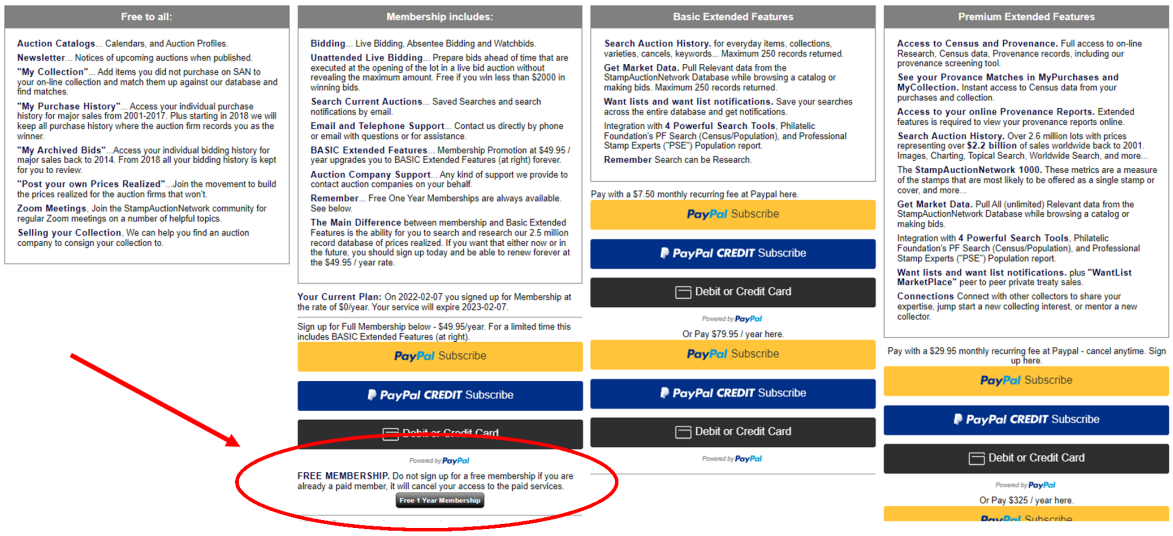
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The Dr. Armando Grassi Collection of Classic United States



I first met Dr. Armando Grassi more than 25 years ago at the Westpex exhibition. We attended many philatelic gatherings together and as our friendship developed, I quickly realized he had all the attributes of a great philatelist. First and foremost, he had an inquisitive mind and a deep love of history.

As boy growing up in Argentina, Dr Grassi became very interested in science and history. These two interests formed the foundation for his lifelong pursuits – becoming a successful Neonatologist and a dedicated Postal Historian and stamp collector.

After graduating from the Medical School of the University of Buenos Aires, he furthered his training as a Fellow in Neonatology at The New York Hospital – Cornell University Medical College in New York City when the field of Neonatology was in its infancy. Dr. Grassi was one of the early pioneers in caring for premature and high-risk newborns, contributing to the development of techniques that have allowed these babies to survive and to thrive. He has always been fascinated by the transition from fetal life to the outside world. Perhaps one of his greatest contributions was to establish a level 3 Neonatal Intensive Care Unit from scratch, training doctors and health professionals with the same tireless dedication that he applies to all his endeavors.

Throughout his medical career, he has continued to pursue his interest in Philately and Postal History. Dr. Grassi's first important collection comprises United States stamps. On the forthcoming pages, you'll encounter some of the most exquisite Classic United States stamps ever assembled. Not only was the quality important to Dr. Grassi, but so was the overall eye appeal of an item. His pursuit was tireless, seeking out gem-quality stamps embellished with captivating cancellations. Whether it be a simple postmark perfectly struck or a fancy cancellation, he always strove to find the finest possible example.

As with many serious philatelists, Dr. Grassi was drawn to the study of Postal History. He was intrigued how the mails travelled, how routes were affected by economic, social and natural events. The routes and rates have been the subject of several studies over the years; however, Dr. Grassi wanted to dig deeper. He wanted to understand not just how a route changed, but also why, which led to his in depth study of international mail routes. Whether it was an outbreak of cholera in the African continent or frozen waterways in Scandinavia, this research was his new focus. Dr. Grassi approached the development of this new collection with the same passion he had shared in his professional life.

This collection, *External Mail Routes of the United States: 1854-1875* includes some of the most interesting covers and exotic destinations found in United States Philately. He has given several lectures on the subject and has won numerous awards and medals including gold at the international level in PhilaNippon 2011, Bangkok 2013 and New York 2016.

Given his keen interest in history, Dr. Grassi embarked on his next philatelic endeavor, the Crimean War. Fascinated by the events surrounding this landmark war, he studied and read every history book on the subject. Dr. Grassi then set about forming what is perhaps the finest collection ever assembled. This collection includes virtually every rarity and historic item from this important and poorly understood conflict. This is perhaps his most beloved collection which includes letters and documents by Queen Victoria, Napoleon and Florence Nightingale.

I am honored and proud to offer the first portion of the Dr. Grassi Collection of Classic United States Stamps but more importantly, I am pleased to call Armando my friend.

Schuyler Rumsey

1847 Issue



3001 o **5¢ Red Brown,** socked-on-the-nose **blue circular grid** cancel, large well balanced margins, rich brilliant color and an early detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1988 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **1** $465



3002 ▲ **5¢ Red Brown,** tied on piece by socked-on-the-nose **red "Northfield, Vt., Dec. 26" town** cancel, clear to huge margins showing small portion of adjacent stamp at left, bright vivid color, **Very Fine** ***with a superb Vermont townmark strike***; with 2012 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **1** $575



3003 o **5¢ Brown,** left margin single, complete central strike of brilliant **red "5"** numeral cancel, ample to mostly large margins with wide sheet margin, lovely soft delicate color accentuating the cancellation, **Extremely Fine and attractive,** quite striking; with 1991 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **1** $525

Provenance: ***ex-Emerson and V. Morris***.

The Finest Mint 5¢ 1847 Single in Existence



3004 * **5¢ Dark Brown,** perfect full original gum which has been very lightly hinged once, huge margins including large portions of the stamps at the left & right, wonderful sharp early impression, Post Office fresh color on deeply blued paper, **a Superb jumbo**; with 2000 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificate, the latter **Graded (Superb 98J, SMQ $50,000)**.
Scott No. **1a** $7,000

A PERFECT GEM THAT IS UNSURPASSED IN QUALITY OR BEAUTY—WORTHY OF THE FINEST COLLECTION.

The rarity of a stamp like this cannot be overstated. The few known examples with original gum are more often than not, lacking the color, the freshness or the Post Office gum as is found on this remarkable stamp.

This is one of two known examples graded Superb 98 Jumbo by the P.S.E. with none higher. Additionally, there are no recorded examples of the 5¢ Red Brown (Scott 1) graded higher than Superb 98, of which there is a single example, which was sold in our sale of the Peter Iwate Collection (Sale 105, Lot 3012).



3005 o **5¢ Grayish Brown,** socked-on-the-nose **blue circular grid** cancel, wide margins with sheet margin at left and small portion of adjacent stamp at right, rich true grayish brown color and a crisp impression, **Extremely Fine,** a choice example of this elusive shade; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **1a** $665

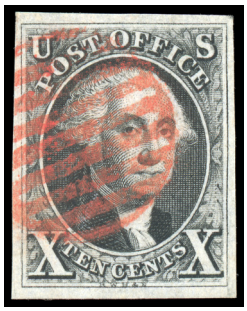


3006 o **5¢ Orange Brown,** complete central strike of vivid **red circular grid** cancel, with brilliant orange brown color and a crisp impression, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 2000 P.F. (for red brown shade) & 2008 P.S.E. certificate, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,250)**.
Scott No. **1b** $675

Provenance: ***ex-Arthur Weil and Hall***.

A SUPERB SHEET-MARGIN EXAMPLE OF 1847 5¢ ISSUE IN THE SCARCE ORANGE BROWN SHADE.

Several sheet margin singles can be found on the 1847 5¢ issue, but rarely is a used single found with a sheet margin of this size.



3007 o **10¢ Black,** bold red circular grid cancel, large even margins, sharp early impression, deep color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***a lovely example***; with 2010 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **2** $900

The Rare Stick Pin Variety



3008 o **10¢ Black, "Stick Pin" Variety,** position 52L1, neat **blue circular grid** cancel leaving plate flaw fully visible, large to huge margins showing small portion of adjacent stamp at top, strong color and a crisp detailed impression, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 2000 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95)**.
Scott No. **2 var.**. $3,000

Provenance: ***ex-Rust & Wall***.

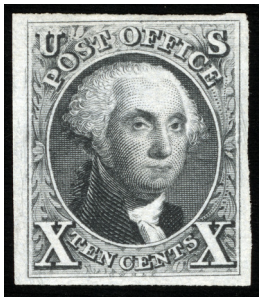
A REMARKABLE STAMP AND WHICH IS FINEST RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE 10¢ 1847 "STICK PIN" VARIETY.

A search of our records and of the Siegel's site, shows that only four examples have been offered since keeping computerized records.

1875 Reproductions of the 1847 Issue



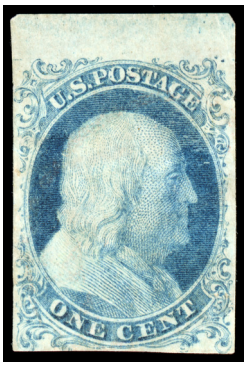
3009 (*) **5¢ Red Brown, Reproduction,** without gum as issued, large to huge margins and most likely a top right corner margin single, **an Extremely Fine gem,** rarely encountered so large.
Scott No. **3** $900



3010 (*) **10¢ Black, Reproduction,** without gum as issued, four large even margins, bright color and detailed impression, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **4** $1,150

1851 Issue

The Rare 1851 1¢ Blue, Type I, Position 7R1E



3011 o **1¢ Blue, Type I, Position 7R1E,** very faint manuscript and small portion of red town cancel leaving the design almost completely unobscured, with full top sheet margin and ample to just shaving bottom left plume and touching ball leaving design virtually complete, strong and distinctively bright plate one early color, small corner crease at top right away from printed design & tiny surface scrapes at bottom right (both of which are truly insignificant), **Extremely Fine,** this stamp was acquired in 1941 by Stanley Gibbons owner Gordon N. Usticke; with 1974 & 2001 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **5** $55,000

Provenance: ***ex-Matthies, N. Hubbard & "Lake Shore"***.

A WONDERFULLY LIGHTLY CANCELED USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1851 1¢ TYPE I ISSUE FROM POSITION 7 ON THE RIGHT PANE OF PLATE ONE EARLY - ONE OF THE FEW MARGINAL EXAMPLES SHOWING VIRTUALLY THE COMPLETE DESIGN.

According to the Jerome S. Wagshal census of the Scott #5 (this example being 5-CAN-005) there are only 98 examples in all recorded. This example is one of a small handful of examples showing the complete design. Position 7R1E is the only position on any of the 1¢ Imperforate plates to show the true Type I with the complete design as it existed on the original die. This example, with wide sheet margin at top, very light cancellations leaving design almost completely unobscured and a virtually complete design makes this example one of the finest extant.



3012 * **1¢ Blue, Type II,** o.g., very lightly hinged, large nicely balanced margins, deep bold color and crisp impression, very fresh, **Extremely Fine,** a lovely mint 1851 1¢ issue; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **7** $1,000

A WONDERFUL GEM, WHICH IS NOT PARTICULARLY RARE, BUT TO FIND IN THIS CONDITION WITH ORIGINAL GUM IS TRULY REMARKABLE.



3013 o **1¢ Blue, Type II,** position 100R2, bold central New York town cancel, huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps at left and top with full sheet margins and right and bottom, deep rich color on fresh, **a Superb gem**; with 2021 P.F. certificate **Graded (Superb Gem 100, SSV $3,500)**.
Scott No. **7** $150

AN OUTSTANDING USED GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1851 1¢ TYPE II ISSUE.



3014 o **1¢ Blue, Type II,** horizontal pair (Positions 2-3L4), neat town cancels, large to huge margins showing portion of adjacent stamp at left, intensely deep plate four color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** an exceptional and very scarce 1851 1¢ multiple from the short-lived plate four; with 2011 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **7** $2,100

This pair owes its rarity to the short three month period that the Plate 4 imperforates where produced.



3015 o **1¢ Blue, Type II,** corner margin vertical pair (Positions 1/11RIE), light **Mobile, Ala.** town cancels, large to huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps at right and bottom, with full sheet margins and left and top, bright vibrant color, **an Extremely Fine gem,** with top stamp being a superb jumbo; with 2011 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **7** $325

Provenance: ***ex-Newbury***.



3016 o **1¢ Blue, Types III & II,** right margin horizontal pair (Positions 19-20R1E, types III, II), full to large margins with wide sheet margin, bright vibrant plate one early color, light unobtrusive town cancels, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **8, 7** . . . . . $1,650 for singles

A CHOICE MARGINAL PAIR OF THE 1851 1¢ IMPERFORATE ISSUE WITH TYPE III & II COMBINATION.



3017 o **1¢ Blue, Type IIIa,** plate 4, showing wide break in top outer curved line, large to huge margins, deep rich color, light town cancel, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 2000 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $4,500)**.
Scott No. **8A** $1,250

AN OUTSTANDING USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1851 1¢ TYPE IIIA IMPERFORATE ISSUE FROM PLATE FOUR.



3018 o **1¢ Blue, Type IIIa,** Position 18R4, showing wide break at top, neat manuscript cancel, huge margins with portions of adjacent stamps at sides, beautiful deep rich color on bright paper, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1981, 2002 P.F. (for strip of 3) & 2008 P.F. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95)**.
Scott No. **8A** . . . . . $400 for pen cancel

Provenance: ***ex-"Tahoe" and Eubanks***.

AN EXCEPTIONAL USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1851 1¢ IMPERFORATE TYPE IIIA FROM PLATE 4, BOASTING REMARKABLY GENEROUS MARGINS - A STAMP OF CONSIDERABLE RARITY AND DIFFICULTY TO ACQUIRE.



3019 * **1¢ Blue, Type IV, Recut Once at Top and Twice at Bottom,** Position 46R1L, o.g. (small bit of gum loss, not mentioned on clear certs), margins full to large, bright and fresh with deep bold color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1997 & 2002 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **9** $800

A CHOICE ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1852 1¢ TYPE IV IMPERFORATE ISSUE.



3020 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Pos. 40L1L, enormous margins all around including right straddle pane margin and part of adjoining stamps at top and bottom, rich color, attractive blue town cancel, **Superb**; with 2011 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (Superb 98 Jumbo, SMQ $1,900)**.
Scott No. **9** $100

Provenance: ***ex-Vogel***.

AN OUTSTANDING GEM EXAMPLE WITH BRIGHT COLOR COMPLIMENTED BY BLUE TOWN POSTMARK AND ENORMOUS MARGINS.



3021 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Pos. 86R1L, large to huge margins including portions of additional stamps on three sides, wonderful deep color, crisp **Mobile, Ala.** town postmark, **Superb**; with 1985 P.F. & 2022 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (Superb 98 Jumbo, SMQ $1,900)**.
Scott No. **9** $100

Provenance: *ex-Vogel*.

AN STUNNING GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1851 1¢ TYPE IV IN PERFECT CONDITION.



3022 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV, Horizontal Pair,** Pos. 86-87R1L, left stamp recut once at top & bottom, right stamp recut once at top & twice at bottom, Pos. 86R1L with double transfer, four large to huge margins including parts of adjoining stamps at top, bright shade, light town cancel, **Extremely Fine, an attractive pair showing two different recut types**; with 2011 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **9** $210

Provenance: *ex-Vogel*.



3023 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Pos. 80L1L, recut once at top and bottom and with a double transfer, four huge margins showing parts of other stamps at top and left with sheet margin at right, deep rich color on bright paper, pretty **red New Orleans** cds surrounding Franklin's portrait, **Extremely Fine, a gorgeous stamp**; with 2011 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **9** $100

Provenance: *ex-Vogel*.



3024 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Pos. 14R1L, recut once at top & bottom and with double transfer, huge margins showing portions of other stamps on all four sides, rich color and sharp impression, lovely strike of **New-York** town postmark, **Extremely Fine and choice, an outstanding gem example**; with 2011 P.F. & 2022 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95 Jumbo, SMQ $800)**.
Scott No. **9** $100



3025 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Position 25L1L, recut once at top and once at bottom, neat face free town cancel, large beautifully balanced all around, rich bold color and a crisp detail impression on fresh paper, **Extremely Fine to Superb,** a lovely large margin gem; with 1984 P.F. & 2014 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $525)**.
Scott No. **9** $95



3026 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV, Horiz. Pair,** Pos. 65-66R1L, left stamp recut once at top and bottom, right stamp recut once at top, large margins showing parts of other stamps at left & bottom, deep color, blue town postmark which appears to be Weedsport, N.Y., **Very Fine and choice, the left stamp is an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1987 P.F. certificate for strip.
Scott No. **9** $210

Provenance: ***ex-Vogel***.



3027 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV, Top Sheet Margin Pair,** Pos. 2-3L1L, large to huge margins including large sheet margin at top and parts of stamps at left & right, bright fresh pastel shade, cancelled by two strikes of blue Cincinnati, O. cds's, tiny creases in top margin (well away from design), one ending in tiny tear, **Extremely Fine, a very pretty pair**; with 1986 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **9** $210

Provenance: ***ex-Koppersmith***.



3028 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV, Triple Transfer, One Inverted,** Pos. 91L1L, huge margins from this corner margin position showing part of other stamps at top and right, plus sheet margin at bottom and left, deep color, cancelled by black grid cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1995 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **9 var.**. $160

Provenance: ***ex-Amonette***.

AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THIS RARE 1851 1¢ TYPE IV POSITIONAL PIECE.



3029 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Pos. 96R1L, recut once at top, four huge margins including sheet margin at bottom, neat town cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2009 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **9** $100



3030 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** vertical pair (Positions 79/89L1L, **top stamp recut twice at top and bottom** & bottom stamp recut one at top & bottom), neat circular grid cancels, full to large margins, bright and fresh with rich deep color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** top stamp with rare quadruple recut, only two examples recut as such on the plate of 200; with 2011 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **9** $335



3031 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** horizontal strip of 3 (Positions 32-34L1L), recut once at top and once at bottom, light blue town cancels, full to mostly large margins, deep bold color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2004 P.S.E. & 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **9** $305



3032 o **3¢ Reddish Orange Brown, Type I,** neat **Detroit, Mich. town** cancel, large to mostly huge margins, intensely rich reddish orange brown color, **an Extremely Fine gem,** a wonderful stamp in superb condition; with 2001 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **10** $190



3033 o **3¢ Orange Brown, Type I,** socked-on-the-nose **"Paid" straight line** cancel, clear to large margins, intensely rich color, **Very Fine and choice,** a striking stamp and cancel; with 1997 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **10** $190



3034 ▲ **3¢ Reddish Orange Brown, Type II,** tied on piece by perfect strike of **Schenectady, N.Y. town** cancel, large margins, deep bold color, **Extremely Fine and attractive,** ***a choice stamp and superb town cancellation***.
Scott No. **10A** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000



3035 o **3¢ Orange Brown, Type II,** position 94R0, bottom margin single, socked-on-the-nose **Augusta, Me. town** cancel, clear to huge margins with wide sheet margin at bottom, strong bright color, tiny shallow thin spot in selvage of little consequence, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1987 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **10A**. $150

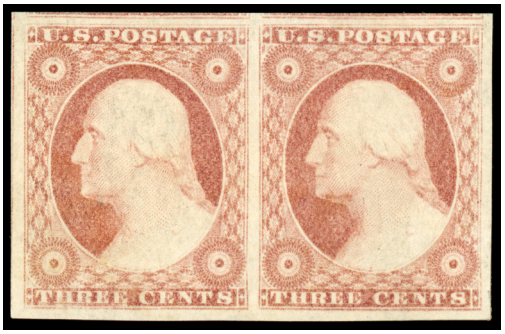


3036 o **3¢ Claret, Type I,** position 6R5L, top margin single, large to mostly huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps at left and bottom, rich vivid color on bright paper, neat **Oswego, N.Y. town** cancel, **Superb,** an outstanding used gem; with 2001 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **11** $25



3037 ** **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** o.g., never hinged, enormous margins showing significant parts of five adjoining stamps and the frameline of a sixth, rich bright color and exceptional freshness, **a Superb jumbo**; with 2020 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (Superb 98 Jumbo, SMQ $4,250 for hinged)**.
Scott No. **11A**. . . . . $250 for hinged

AN OUTSTANDING MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 1852 3¢ TYPE II IMPERFORATE ISSUE IN RARE NEVER HINGED CONDITION. ONLY TWO EXAMPLES ARE GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.



3038 * **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** horizontal pair (positions 99-100R2L), o.g., barest trace of hinge, huge well balanced margins showing portions of adjacent stamps at left and top, strong vibrant color on fresh paper, **Superb**; with 1999 P.F. (for block) & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (Superb 98)**.
Scott No. **11A**. $550

A MAGNIFICENT MINT ORIGINAL GUM PAIR OF THE 1852 3¢ TYPE II IMPERFORATE ISSUE.



3039 ▲ **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** top right corner margin single, large margins showing portion of adjacent stamp at bottom and full sheet margins at top and left, rich vibrant color and a sharp impression, tied on piece by neat strike **blue Owningsville, Ky. town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***a gorgeous position piece***.
Scott No. **11A** $18



3040 o **3¢ Brownish Carmine, Type II, Major Cracked Plate,** Pos. 94L5L, with slightly diagonal vertical crack through "E" in "Postage" and "E" of "Cents", neat **New York, N.Y. town** cancel, large to huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps at sides, strong bright color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** one of the finest examples of this major crack variety; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **11A** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3041 o **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** central strike of **green Thompson, Ct. town** cancel, ample to large margins, rich vibrant color, **Very Fine and choice,** a choice town mark strike in vibrant green; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **11A** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400







3042 o **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** large to huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps on three sides, strong bright color, neat **blue New Bedford, Mass. town** cancel; with 2008 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95 Jumbo, SMQ $375)**.
Scott No. **11A** $15

3043 o **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** Position 91R2L, neat blue town cancel, large to huge margins, rich deep color on bright fresh paper, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **11A** $15

3044 o **3¢ Brownish Carmine, Type II,** large well balanced margins all around, deep color, neat central town cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2005 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $85)**.
Scott No. **11A** $20





3045 ▲ **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** large to huge margins, strong vivid color, tied on piece by neat **blue "Taunton, Ms., 3cts" integral rate town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **11A** $15

3046 ▲ **3¢ Dull Red, Type II,** clear to mostly large margins, strong color, tied on piece by neat **"New Haven, Con., May 3, 1856" town** cancel, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **11A** $15



3047 o **5¢ Red Brown,** neat **red Wisconsin town** cancels, four huge margins showing portion of adjacent stamp at right, rich color enhancing a highly detailed impression, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1987 & 2007 P.F. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SSV $2,000)**.
Scott No. **12** $950

AN OUTSTANDING USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1856 5¢ RED BROWN IMPERFORATE ISSUE BEARING A COMPLIMENTARY COLOR CANCELLATION.



3048 o **5¢ Red Brown,** vertical pair, uncommonly wide margins to full at bottom, strong bright color and an early detailed impression, neat grid cancels, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2006 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **12** $1,700

Provenance: ***ex-Rohloff and Mayer***.

AN ATTRACTIVE AND EXCEPTIONAL SOUND USED MULTIPLE OF THE 1856 5¢ RED BROWN IMPERFORATE ISSUE.

An Outstanding Gem Example of the 10¢ Green, Type I Graded 95 Jumbo by the P.S.E.



3049 o **10¢ Green, Type I,** huge margins all around with wide sheet margin at bottom, strong vivid color on bright paper, two sharp strikes of **"Davenport, Iowa" town** cancel, **an Extremely Fine to Superb jumbo**; with 2004 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95J, SMQ $3,500)**.
Scott No. **13** $750

AN EXCEPTIONAL JUMBO MARGIN USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1855 10¢ TYPE I IMPERFORATE WITH GREAT EYE APPEAL.



3050 ▲ **10¢ Green, Type I,** tied on piece by **blue Delavan, Wis. town** cancel, clear to mostly large margins, with deep rich color and a crisp detailed impression, **Extremely Fine**; with 1988 & 2005 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **13** $800

A Gem Mint Example of the 1855 10¢ Green Imperforate



3051 * **10¢ Green, Type II,** o.g., lightly hinged once at top, huge margins even margins framing the entire stamp designs and showing small portion of adjacent stamp at right, wonderful rich vibrant color, detailed impression and Post Office freshness, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 2000 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $17,500)**.
Scott No. **14** $5,000

A STUNNING GEM LIGHTLY HINGED MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 1855 10¢ TYPE II IMPERFORATE ISSUE.

One of only two examples to receive this grade with only four examples grading higher.



3052 o **10¢ Green, Type II,** enormous boardwalk margins all around showing portion of adjacent stamp at left, rich bright color and a crisp impression on bright paper, neat bold **New Orleans, La. town** cancel, **a Superb jumbo,** one of seven examples to receive this grade with only one grading higher; with 2008 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (Superb 98J, SMQ $4,000)**.
Scott No. **14** $145

A MAGNIFICENT AND SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1855 10¢ TYPE II IMPERFORATE ISSUE - GRADED SUPERB 98 JUMBO BY THE P.S.E.



3053 o **10¢ Green, Types II & III,** vertical pair (Positions 51/61R, stamp type II at top, type III at bottom), four huge margins showing portion of adjacent stamp at bottom and large sheet margin at left, rich color, light unobtrusive town cancel, **an Extremely Fine jumbo**; with 1988 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **14, 15** $325

Provenance: *ex-"Sevenoaks"*.

A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1855 10¢ TYPES II & III COMBINATION PAIR.

An Outstanding Original Gum Mint Single



3054 * **10¢ Green, Type III,** o.g., fairly light hinging, large well balanced margins, rich and intensely bold color on fresh pristine paper, **Extremely Fine**; with 2000 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **15** $5,000

AN EXCEPTIONAL MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1855 10¢ TYPE III IMPERFORATE ISSUE IN SOUND CONDITION.

Very few mint examples of the 1855 10¢ issue have survived sound and in this choice condition. For example, the P.S.E. population report lists only two original gum 1855 10¢ type III issues in any condition.



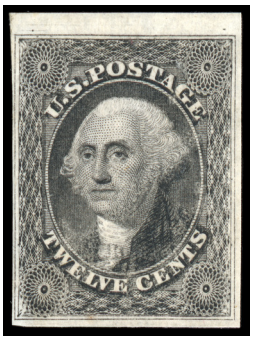
3055 ▲ **10¢ Green, Type III,** Position 61R, large to huge margins including sheet margin and centerline at left, bold color, tied on piece by neat **San Francisco, Cal. town** cancel, **Very Fine and choice,** a very attractive position single.
Scott No. **15** $145



3056 o **10¢ Green, Type III,** large to huge margins, strong bold color and sharp impression, cancelled by "New Orleans, La." cds, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2001 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **15** $145



3057 o **10¢ Green, Type IV, Recut at Bottom,** Position 54L1, faint unobtrusive town cancel and some extraneous manuscript ink at top right corner, four large well balanced margins, strong color and recut at bottom clearly visible, **Extremely Fine,** a choice light cancelled used stamp; with 1991, 1996 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **16** $1,800



3058 * **12¢ Gray Black,** top margin single, o.g., ample to large margins with full sheet margin at top, strong color and impression, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1994 (for block) & 2004 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **17** $6,250

A FRESH SOUND MINT MARGINAL SINGLE OF THE 1851 12¢ IMPERFORATE ISSUE.

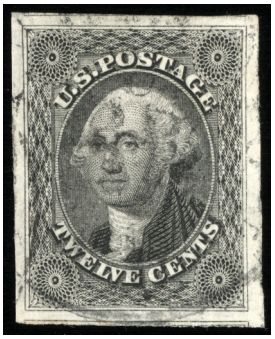
A Superb Corner Margin 1851 12¢ Gray Black



3059 o **12¢ Gray Black,** Position 91R1, bottom left corner margin straddle-pane single with horizontal guideline, four huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps at top and right, wide straddle-pane margin extending beyond guideline, strong color on bright fresh paper, neat central circular grid cancel, **a Superb gem,** with only four examples grading higher; with 1997 P.F. & 2011 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (Superb 98J, SMQ $4,000)**.
Scott No. **17** $260

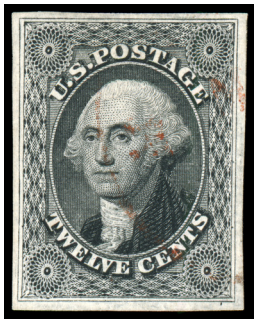
Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris, Kirke & Eubanks***.

A MAGNIFICENT USED CORNER MARGIN EXAMPLE OF THE 1851 12¢ IMPERFORATE ISSUE WHICH IS WITHOUT EQUAL.



3060 o **12¢ Black,** huge even margins, sharp deeply etched impression, light town cancel leaving the portrait visible, **Superb**; with 2008 and 2023 P.S.E. certificates, both **Graded (Superb 98, SMQ $2,750)**.
Scott No. **17** $325

A GORGEOUS GEM COMBINING OUTSTANDING MARGINS, COLOR AND CANCELLATION TO PRODUCE THIS STAMP IN PERFECT CONDITION.



3061 o **12¢ Gray Black,** large to huge nicely balanced margins, strong color and impression on bright paper, light unobtrusive **red town** cancel, **Extremely Fine to Superb,** an exceptional gem with this red color cancellation; with 1985 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $1,150)**.
Scott No. **17** $290



3062 o **12¢ Gray Black,** horizontal pair (Positions 47-48L1), large to huge margins showing portions of adjacent stamps on all sides, bold color and sharp impression, central **New Orleans, La. town** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem and an outstanding multiple**; with 1981 & 2021 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **17** $600

1857 Issue



3063 * **1¢ Blue, Type I,** Pos. 100L12, bottom margin single with guideline at right (many perf disks at bottom unpunched showing all important type characteristics), o.g., lightly hinged, well centered with beautiful delicate shade, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **18** $2,100

A RARE ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1861, 1¢ BLUE, TYPE I SHOWING EVERY ASPECT OF THE DESIGN. A MAGNIFICENT STAMP.

Due to the spacing and perforating, many surviving examples of this type have the design characteristics at top or bottom affected by the perforations. The example offered here, showing the complete design at top and bottom, is a true condition rarity.



3064 o **1¢ Blue, Types I & II,** Positions 66/76R12, vertical pair (top type I, bottom type II), both stamps with outstanding centering, rich bold color and crisp detailed impressions, bold New York town cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice,** a striking combination pair; with 1986 & 2004 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **18, 20** $850

Provenance: ***ex-Sheriff & Hansen***.

A WONDERFUL COMBINATION PAIR IN GEM CONDITION FOR THE CONNOISSEUR.

This is a true rarity given the combination of types I & II in this exceptional condition.



3065 * **1¢ Blue, Type II,** plate 2, o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered amid wide margins, strong vivid color and full perforations all around, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1989 & 2003 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **20** $850

A VERY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN THIS OUTSTANDING CONDITION.



3066 o **1¢ Blue, Type II,** plate 12, exceptional centering amid wide margins, strong bright color, fresh with full perforations all around, light complimentary **red Carrier** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1986 & 1995 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **20** $365

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A Gem Mint Example of the Rare 1857 1¢ Blue Type III



3067 * **1¢ Blue, Type III,** Position 45L4, showing wide break in line at top and clear break showing at bottom, o.g., lightly hinged, rich vivid color enhancing a remarkably detailed impression, exceptionally bright and fresh, **Extremely Fine**; with 1991 & 2021 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **21** $17,500

Provenance: ***ex-Moody (as part of a vertical block of six) & Petersen***.

A MAGNIFICENT MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 1¢ TYPE III PERFORATED ISSUE. ONLY A SMALL HANDFUL EXIST IN SOUND, ORIGINAL GUM CONDITION. THE INCREDIBLE CENTERING AND REMARKABLY FRESH ORIGINAL GUM MAKE THIS STAMP AN EXTRAORDINARY CONDITION RARITY.



3068 o **1¢ Blue, Type III,** Position 65L4, neat grid cancel, absolute perfect centering amid evenly balanced margins, rich vibrant color and a crisp detailed impression on bright fresh paper, **a Superb gem**; with 2002 (for pair) & 2020 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **21** $1,500

A MAGNIFICENT AND STRIKING USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 1¢ TYPE III PERFORATED ISSUE.

The Finest Graded Mint Single



3069 * **1¢ Blue, Type IIIa,** o.g., barest trace of hinge, virtually perfect centering amid large beautifully balanced margins, bright & Post Office fresh with rich vibrant color, encompassed all around by long full perforations, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 2001 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $12,500)**.
Scott No. **22** $2,200

WITHOUT QUESTION, ONE OF THE FINEST MINT EXAMPLES OF THE 1857 1¢ TYPE IIIA PERFORATED ISSUE WITH FULL ORIGINAL GUM, SIMPLY GORGEOUS. THE ONLY EXAMPLE TO RECEIVE THIS GRADE WITH NO OTHER EXAMPLES GRADING HIGHER.



3070 o **1¢ Blue, Type IIIa,** plate 11 (relief B), bottom margin single, exceptionally centered amid large evenly balanced margins, with perforations well clear of design on all sides, rich vivid color and Post Office fresh paper, neat **blue "Batavia, N.Y."** town cancel, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1994, 2003 P.F. & 2016 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $5,550)**.
Scott No. **22** $500

Provenance: ***ex-Hinrichs & Morton***.

ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN USED EXAMPLES OF 1857 1¢ TYPE IIIA PERFORATED ISSUE BEAUTIFULLY COMPLIMENTED BY THE BLUE BATAVIA TOWN CANCELLATION. ONLY TWO EXAMPLES ARE GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.



3071 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Position 52L1L, recut twice at top & twice at bottom, grid cancels, precision centering amid evenly balanced margins, with perforations just touching design at top and bottom, rich bold color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1996, 2005 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $3,150)**.
Scott No. **23** $700

Provenance: ***ex-Lyons and Floyd***.

A WONDERFUL USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 1¢ TYPE IV PERFORATED ISSUE RECUT TWICE AT TOP AND BOTTOM, THE RAREST POSITION OF ALL OF THE RECUTS ONE CENT STAMPS.

A very rare and desirable example of one of only two positions on the plate which were recut twice at top and bottom.



3072 o **1¢ Blue, Type IV,** Position 26L1L, recut once at top & twice at bottom, well centered amid nicely balanced margins, strong bold color, light **"* Savannah *, Geo."** town cancel, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2011 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **23** $625

Provenance: ***ex-Vogel***.



3073 ** **1¢ Blue, Type V,** o.g., never hinged, very fresh with rich color, beautifully centered amid wide margins, trivial blunt perf, **still Extremely Fine**; with photocopy of 1986 P.F. certificate for block.
Scott No. **24** . . . . . $140 for hinged



3074 o **1¢ Blue, Type V,** lovely strike of **Mobile, Ala.** town cancel, beautifully centered with full perforations, strong bright color, **Extremely Fine, a lovely stamp and cancel**; with 2008 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $350)**.
Scott No. **24** $38



3075 o **1¢ Blue, Type V,** choice centering amid oversized margins, strong bold color and a crisp impression, central strike of **"Saint Peter, Ill."** dateless town cancel, **an Extremely Fine jumbo,** a gorgeous stamp with the dateless postmark which beautifully frames Franklin's portrait; with 2011 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90J, SMQ $450)**.
Scott No. **24** $38



3076 * **3¢ Rose, Type I,** o.g., very lightly hinged, outstanding centering for this tightly margined issue, bright, fresh Post Office color, sharp detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate. Scott No. **25** $2,750

A SUPERB ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 3¢ 1857 TYPE I IN GEM CONDITION.

Until Toppan, Carpenter introduced new 3¢ plates with wider spacing between stamps to allow for perforations, they began perforating sheets that had been printed from the earlier Type I Plates in early 1857. It is due to the narrow spacing on the plate makes it exceptionally challenging to acquire them with precise centering.

In contrast to the 1857 3¢ Type III variety (Scott 26), the 1857 3¢ Perforated Type I stamps are rarely found in original gum condition.



3077 o **3¢ Claret, Type I,** near perfect centering, deep color, beautiful full perforations, neat "Chicago, Ill. Aug. 10, 1858" cds, **an Extremely Fine gem,** as fine as can exist for this difficult issue; with 2005 P.F. certificate. Scott No. **25** $200

Provenance: *ex-Kirke*.



3078 ** **3¢ Dull Red, Type III,** right margin single, o.g., never hinged, perfectly centered with sharp impression, bright color and Post Office freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1987, 2000 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, last **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $1,375)**, with only five graded higher.
Scott No. **26** . . . . . $65 for hinged

Provenance: *ex-V. Morris*.

A GORGEOUS EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 3¢ DULL RED IN PERFECT CONDITION.







3079 o **3¢ Dull Red, Type III,** beautifully centered with unusually large margins, bright color, bold "Whitneys Point, N.Y." cds beautifully framing Washington's portrait, **Extremely Fine and choice,** a gorgeous gem and despite its modest catalog value, very difficult to find in this condition; with 1994 & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **26** $10

3080 o **3¢ Dull Red, Type III,** near perfect centering, deep color, cancelled by lovely strike of "West Pittstown, Pa." cds, **Extremely Fine, a lovely gem**; with 2006 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **26** $10

3081 o **3¢ Dull Red, Type III,** outstanding centering, deep vibrant color, lovely **"Paid" in circle** cancel with part red town cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2008 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **26** $10



3082 o **5¢ Brick Red, Type I,** perfectly centered within large margins which are clear of design on all four sides, sharp early impression with fiery brick red color, light cancellation, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1989 P.F. & 2023 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $5,100)**, only six grade higher, all at "95".
Scott No. **27** $1,450

A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 5¢ BRICK RED. ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES IN EXISTENCE AND IN OUR OPINION SHOULD QUALIFY FOR THE GRADE OF "95".



3083 o **5¢ Brick Red, Type I,** choice centering amid large margins with perforations well clear of design all around (and quite rare thus), brilliant true color, very light town cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice, a gorgeous example in the true Brick Red shade**; with 1989 & 2007 P.F. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SSV $4,750)**.
Scott No. **27** $1,450

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A REMARKABLE EXAMPLE OF THE 1858 5¢ BRICK RED ISSUE WHICH ONCE GRACED THE FAMED DR. MORRIS COLLECTION OF CLASSIC USED UNITED STATES.

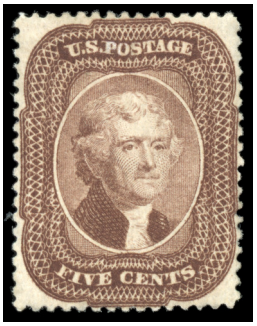


3084 o **5¢ Red Brown, Type I, unbelievably huge margins** almost unheard of on this uniformly tight margin issue, with perforations well away of design on all sides, beautiful rich deep color, light black town and **red New York Exchange** date stamp cancels, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1987 & 1997 P.F. certificates. Scott No. **28** $1,100

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris, Puliafito and N. Grace***.

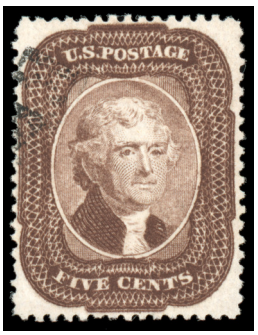
A TRULY STUNNING JUMBO MARGIN EXAMPLE OF THIS NORMALLY VERY TIGHTLY MARGINED STAMP.

A Choice Mint Example of the 1859 5¢ Brown



3085 * **5¢ Brown, Type I,** o.g., fairly light hinging, very well centered especially for this notoriously tight margin issue, deep color and remarkably fresh, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1997 & 2007 P.F. certificates. Scott No. **29** $5,500

THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW MINT, ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES FOUND IN THIS GEM CONDITION.



3086 o **5¢ Brown, Type I,** choice centering, deep and intensely bold color, very light town cancel leaving almost the entire design unobsured, **Extremely Fine**; with 1997 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,100)**.
Scott No. **29** $325

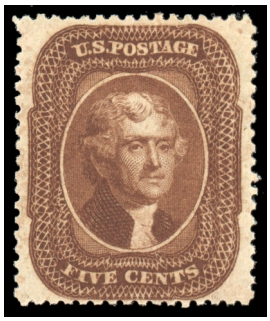
Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A WONDERFUL USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1859 5¢ BROWN TYPE I ISSUE WITH ALMOST THE ENTIRE DESIGN FREE FROM A CANCELLATION.



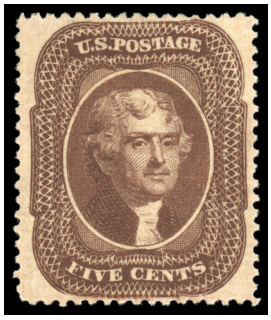
3087 o **5¢ Brown, Type I,** bold **blue Cincinnati, Ohio** town cancel, beautifully centered amid nicely balanced margins, rich color enhancing a sharp detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 2008 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **29** $350

A GORGEOUS SINGLE WITH A BLUE TOWN CANCEL WHICH ARE RARELY FOUND ON THE 1857 ISSUE.



3088 * **5¢ Orange Brown, Type II,** o.g., very lightly hinged, choice centering amid wide margins, Post Office fresh with rich vivid color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $3,300)**.
Scott No. **30** $1,200

A RARE STAMP IN THIS GEM MINT CONDITION WITH ONLY THREE GRADED HIGHER (TWO 95 & ONE 95J) BY THE P.S.E.



3089 * **5¢ Brown, Type II,** o.g., very lightly hinged, outstanding centering and wide margins with perforations clear of design, deep intense color and remarkable freshness, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **30A**. $2,250

A GORGEOUS & MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE IN POST OFFICE CONDITION WHICH IS RARELY ENCOUNTERED IN THIS EXQUISITE CONDITION.

An Outstanding Gem Graded 95 by the P.S.E.



3090 o **5¢ Brown, Type II,** virtually perfect centering with wide margins and perforations clear of design, wonderful Post Office fresh color, light strike of **red grid** cancel, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1999 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $2,800)**.
Scott No. **30A**. $375

A MAGNIFICENT USED GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 5¢ BROWN TYPE II.



3091 o **5¢ Brown, Type II,** well centered single with **portion of captured imprint** at left, neat **San Francisco** town cancel, rich bold color, **Extremely Fine and rare,** a marvelous position single; with 2006 & 2008 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **30A**. $300



3092 o **5¢ Brown, Type II,** choice centering and margins, gorgeous color and impression, light **blue town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice, a beautiful stamp**; with 2010 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $825)**.
Scott No. **30A**. $350



3093 ▲ **10¢ Green, Type II,** tied on small piece by well-struck blue **Marysville, Cal. Shadow Star fancy** cancel, wide margins and strong color, **Very Fine, a wonderful strike of this Fancy Cancel,** fancy cancels on the 1857 10¢ issues are rare; with 1994 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **32** $205

A Stunning 1857 10¢ Green, Type III with Red Cancellation



3094 o **10¢ Green, Type III,** huge and beautifully balanced margins, deep rich color on fresh paper, full perforations, beautifully **vivid red "New York Paid May 30" exchange office** datestamp, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2001, 2013 P.F. and 2006 P.S.E. certificates, last two **Graded (XF-Superb 95; SMQ $3,000)**.
Scott No. **33** $190

Provenance: ***ex-Kirke and Gorham***.

A GEM USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 10¢ TYPE III WITH A COLOR CANCELLATION.

Thirteen examples have equaled this grade while only three grade higher in the P.S.E. Population Report, however this is undoubtedly one of the most attractive examples, irrespective of the grade.



3095 o **10¢ Green, Type III,** exceptional centering amid beautifully balanced margins, rich bold color, neat **San Francisco, Cal. town** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1987 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **33** $190

Provenance: ***ex-Koppersmith***.

A Gem Example of the 1857 10¢ Green, Type IV, Recut at Bottom



3096 o **10¢ Green, Type IV, Recut at Bottom,** Position 55L1, exceptional centering amid attractively balanced margins, strong bright color, light unobtrusive **San Francisco, Cal. town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2000, 2008 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **34** $2,400

ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN EXAMPLES OF THE 1857 10¢ TYPE IV ISSUE SHOWING THE RECUTTING AT THE BOTTOM.



3097 * **10¢ Green, Type V,** full o.g., fairly light hinging, choice centering and exceptionally wide margins with perfs clear of design at both top and bottom, rich bold color and quite fresh, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1990 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **35** $210



3098 o **10¢ Green, Type V,** huge margined single with **full captured imprint** at left, deep intense color and a sharp detailed impression on bright paper, face-free town cancel leaving mostly of design and full imprint unobscured, **Extremely Fine, a lovely gem for the specialist;** with 2008 P.F. certificate **Graded (VF-XF 85)**.
Scott No. **35** $55



3099 ▲ **10¢ Green, Type V,** perfectly centered with huge beautifully balanced margins, bright fresh color, tied to piece by neat town postmark, **a Superb gem**; with 1989 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **35** $55

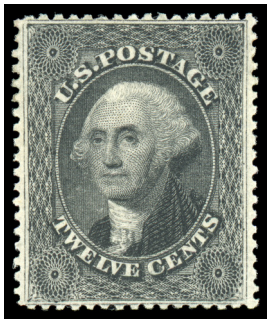


3100 o **12¢ Black, Plate I,** cancelled by blue town and **vivid red Liverpool transit** cancels, perfect centering, framelines complete on all four sides, fine impression in a deep bold shade, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1986, 1998 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $2,750)**.
Scott No. **36** $300

Provenance: ***ex-Zoellner***.

A PHENOMENAL EXAMPLE WHICH IS CERTAINLY THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SINGLE 1857 12¢ BLACK THAT WE HAVE EVER HAD THE PLEASURE TO OFFER.

Due to the narrow spacing between stamps on the 12¢ Plate I, very little room was left for perforations. Examples such as this are incredibly rare.

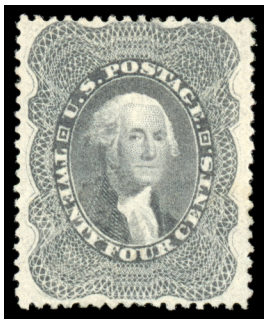


3101 * **12¢ Black, Plate III,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, sharp detailed impression, rich color and Post Office freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1989 (for pair), 2000 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **36B**. $775

AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN THIS CHOICE MINT CONDITION WITH THE FRAMELINE INTACT ON ALL FOUR SIDES - A TRUE CONDITION RARITY.



3102 o **12¢ Black, Plate III,** outstanding centering with large margins for the issue, intense color, **deep red grid** cancel socked-on-the-nose, **fresh & Extremely Fine,** ***a lovely gem complimented by this attractive red grid***; with 1988 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $775)**.
Scott No. **36B**. $275



3103 * **24¢ Gray Lilac,** o.g., very lightly hinged, beautifully centered with balance margins, bright fresh Post Office color & sharp detailed impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1998 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **37** $1,450

Provenance: ***ex-Scarsdale***.

A SUPERB ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1857 24¢ GRAY LILAC ISSUE.

The 1857 perforated issue are the most difficult to obtain in gem quality with the most difficult denomination being the 24¢ value. The margins are narrow, with the design almost always touched (if not in) at top or bottom. This is one of the finest original gum examples extant.



3104 ▲ **24¢ Gray Lilac,** tied on piece by beautiful socked-on-the-nose strike of **red "Boston Br. Pkt. Paid"** exchange date stamp cancel, rich vibrant color, **Very Fine,** ***a stunning item***.
Scott No. **37** $465

Provenance: ***ex-Myerson***.



3105 o **24¢ Gray Lilac,** virtually perfect centering, nice impression with fresh color, neat **San Francisco** town cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2007 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,050)**.
Scott No. **37** $400



3106 * **30¢ Orange,** o.g., lightly hinged, choice centering amid wide margins, rich radiant color and sharp impression on remarkably fresh paper, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1997 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **38** $1,900

A WONDERFUL SOUND, ORIGINAL GUM 1857 30¢ ORANGE IN PERFECT CONDITION.



3107 o **30¢ Orange,** wonderful centering amid wide margins, rich bold color, lovely neat central target cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***a gorgeous stamp which is rarely found with a target cancel***; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **38** $500

Provenance: ***ex-Saadi***.



3108 o **30¢ Orange,** right straddle-pane margin showing centerline and part of stamp from right pane, wide margins and excellent centering, rich radiant color, bold **San Francisco, Cal.** town cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2004 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **38** $500

Provenance: ***ex-Geisler***.



3109 * **90¢ Blue,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered within large margins which are clear of design on all four sides, bright fresh Post Office color, **Extremely Fine,** ***a lovely mint classic***; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **39** $3,000

1861 First Designs



3110 E **1¢ Franklin, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Black,** trial color large die proof on India paper (formerly No. 55TC1), on thick card (40x39mm), showing light early horizontal layout lines at left and very minor differences in leaf scrolls at top than other die essays, small portion "440" die number at bottom edge, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **63-E11a** $4,000

MOSTLY LIKELY THE EARLIEST DIE ESSAY OF THE 1861 1¢ "PREMIERE GRAVURE" ISSUE PRODUCED BY BY NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY.

This early die essay, showing three light horizontal layout lines on the die, does not show on any other of the known examples from die "440". Also, only one other example shows the slight difference in the leaf scrolls at top (likely unique printing on glazed card sold in the 2018 Siegel sale of the Richard Drews Collection of United States 1861-68 Issues). This combination of layout lines and unfinished leaf scrolls most likely makes this essay unique.



3111 E❐ **1¢ Franklin, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Ultramarine,** trial color plate proof on India paper (formerly No. 55TC3), bottom margin block of 4, full well balanced margins, couple margin tone spots, **Very Fine and scarce.**
Scott No. **63-E11c** . . . . . $1,200 as singles

One of the Great Rarities of United States Philately



3112 * **1¢ Indigo, First Design,** o.g., very lightly hinged, deep rich indigo shade characteristic of the "August" Issue, very well centered for this rare issue (all known examples are centered slightly into the top perforations, but unlike most others, this stamp has fully intact perforations), deeply etched impression, exceptionally fresh, **Very Fine and choice,** with Scott catalog value for examples with perfs cutting slightly into design at top; with 1992, 2002 P.F. & 1992 P.S.E certificates.
Scott No. **55** $50,000

Provenance: ***ex-Isleham, Weissman, & Floyd***.

THERE ARE ONLY NINE MINT SINGLES IN SOUND CONDITION AND THIS IS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE FINEST.

There are 26 recorded examples of the One Cent First Design or so-called "August" Issue (as per Siegel Census). Of this total, three are canceled and another is housed in the New York Public Library collection, leaving only 22 mint copies available to collectors. Thirteen of the mint examples are found faulty leaving only nine that exist which are both completely sound and still retain their original gum, with this example being among the finest of this elite group.



3113 E **3¢ Washington, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Black,** small die proof on India paper, die sunk on card (70x84mm) showing full die sink, with "441" die number and small National Bank Note Co. imprint below, fresh, **Very Fine** (formerly 56TC1), very rare, the finer of two known.
Scott No. **65-E15c** $2,000



3114 E **3¢ Washington, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Scarlet,** trial color plate proof on India paper (formerly No. 56TC3), bottom margin plate number "2" strip of 4 with imprint, clear margins, bright color, small sealed tear at top & small margin thin at bottom, **Extremely Fine appearance.**
Scott No. **65-E15f** . . . . . $1,400 as singles



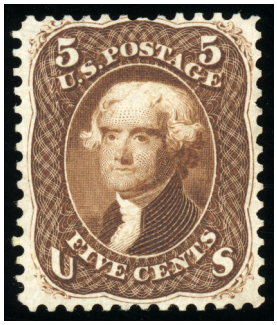
3115 E **3¢ Washington, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Brown Rose,** finished plate essay on semi-transparent stamp paper, perf'd and gummed (formerly No. 56), right margin single, **o.g., never hinged**, **Extremely Fine**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **65-E15h** $550

A VERY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN GEM NEVER HINGED CONDITION SUCH AS THIS.



3116 E **5¢ Jefferson, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Black,** trial color large die proof on India paper (formerly No. 57TC1), die sunk on card (91x94mm) showing full die sink, with "442" die number and small "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint below, light horizontal card crease long die sink at bottom and some faint tone spots, **otherwise Very Fine,** a very rare large die proof, one of only a couple examples known still on original card.
Scott No. **67-E9a** $2,500

An Important Rarity of United States Philately

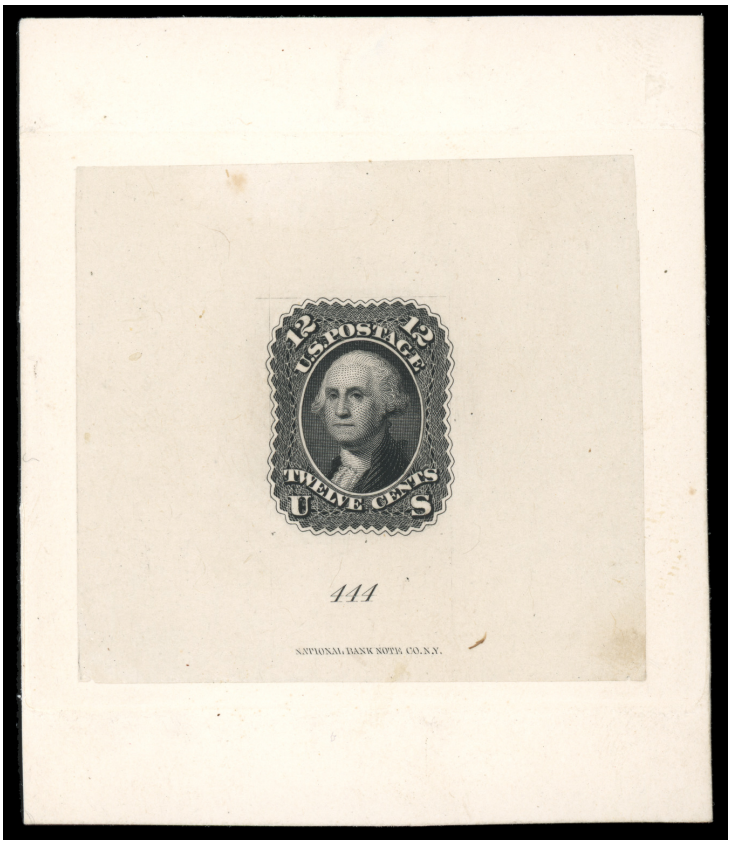


3117 (*) **5¢ Brown, First Design,** no gum, outstanding centering for this rare issue, sharp impression, exceptionally fresh color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** with Scott catalog value for examples bearing small faults; with 1961, 1976 & 1998 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **57** $30,000

Provenance: ***ex-Seymour, Lutwak & Zoellner***.

AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THIS CLASSIC RARITY IN SOUND CONDITION - ONE OF ONLY FIVE.

According to the Siegel Census, there are five examples in sound condition with another six stamps (one of which is in the New York Public Library collection) where the condition is unknown, leaving this as one of the finest known.



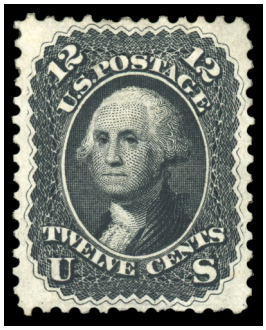
3118 P **12¢ Black, First Design, Large Die Proof on India Paper,** on card (72 x 85mm) showing virtually complete die sink, showing light layout lines at top corners of design, "444" & "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprints below, couple trivial spots, **still Very Fine,** ***a very rare large die proof of the 12¢ First Design***.
Scott No. **59P1** $2,500

Provenance: ***ex-Finkelburg & "Lake Shore"***.



3119 P❐ **12¢ Black, First Design, Plate Proof on India Paper,** block of 4, large even margins, bright and fresh with deep color, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **59P3**. . . . . $1,400 as singles

One of the True Rarities of United States Philately

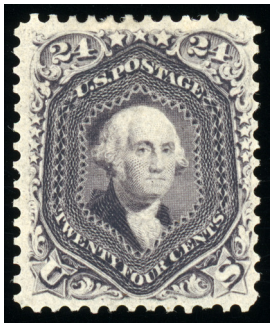


3120 * **12¢ Black, First Design,** large part o.g. (which covers virtually the entire reverse of the stamp), exceptionally centered with large beautifully balanced margins and perforations clear of the design all round, tiny thin spot at top, **Extremely Fine appearance**; with 1962 & 2019 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **59** $90,000

Provenance: ***ex-Weill & T. Cullen Davis***.

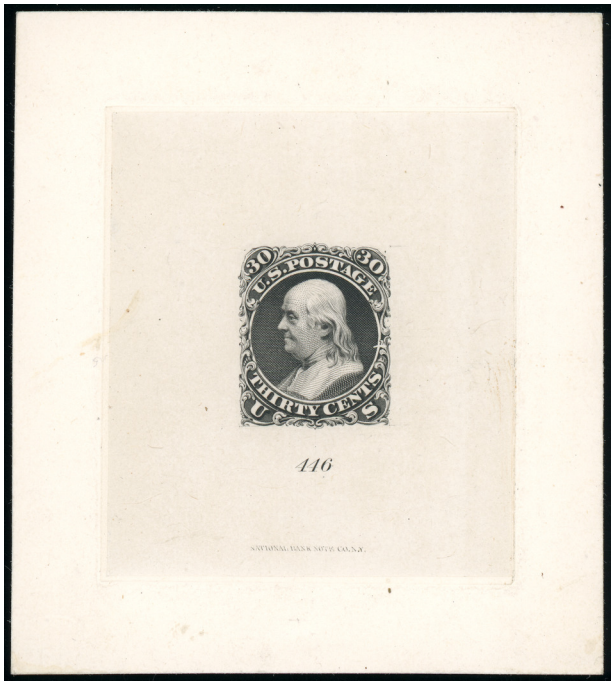
THE 12¢ BLACK IS THE RAREST OF THE 1861 FIRST DESIGNS AND COLORS, WITH A TOTAL OF 16 EXAMPLES RECORDED, ONE OF WHICH RESIDES IN THE MILLER COLLECTION AT THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY.

This stamp was sold in a 1964 Siegel Auction (Sale #276) for a whopping $13,000, the highest price of the entire sale. By way of comparison, in the same sale, a sound copy of the Inverted Jenny (Scott C3a) sold for $10,500.



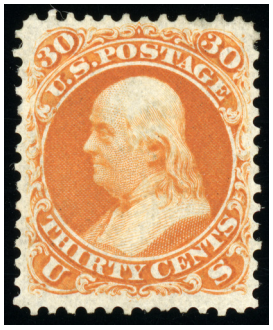
3121 * **24¢ Dark Violet, First Design,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered, rich "August" issue color, fine proof like impression, **fresh & Very Fine**; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **60** $15,000

A CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THE 24¢ FIRST COLOR PRINTING IN SOUND CONDITION AND ORIGINAL GUM. ONE OF THE RAREST OF THE 1861-63 24¢ ISSUE SHADES.



3122 E **30¢ Franklin, N.B.N.C. "Premiere Gravure" Essay, in Black (formerly 61TC1),** trial color large die proof on India paper (79 x 88mm), die sunk in card with die No. "446" and "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint at bottom, **Extremely Fine and rare.**
Scott No. **71-E2a** $1,750

A Magnificent Example of this Classic Rarity

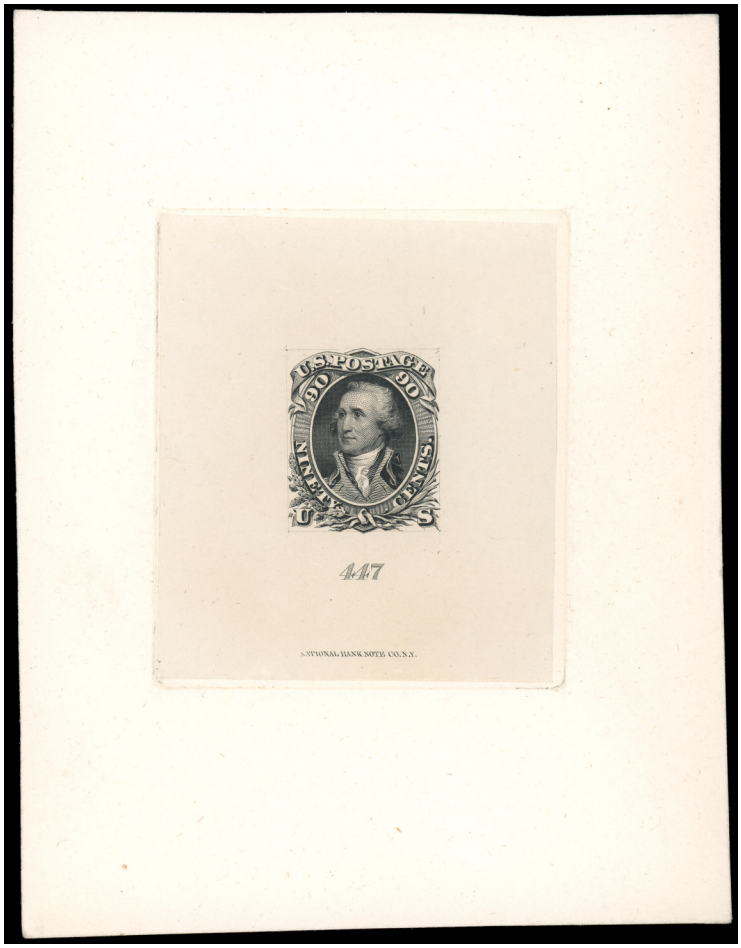


3123 * **30¢ Red Orange, First Design,** o.g., previously hinged, wonderful centering with perfs well clear all around, deep color, trace of light corner crease at top right, **still Extremely Fine,** with Scott catalog value for the grade of fine; with 1949, 1988 & 2001 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **61** $40,000

Provenance: ***ex-Lilly, Seymour, Cole, "Concord" & Floyd***.

A LOVELY EXAMPLE OF THIS CLASSIC RARITY WHICH HAS GRACED SEVERAL IMPORTANT COLLECTIONS.

A common trait found in the majority of 1861 First Color 30¢ stamps is slight creasing, varying from severe in some instances to barely discernible in others.



3124 P **90¢ Black, First Design, Trial Color Large Die Proof on India Paper (formerly 62TC1),** with die No. "447" and "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint at bottom (94 x 121mm), wonderfully fresh, **Extremely Fine and rare.**
Scott No. **72-E7b** $1,750

Provenance: ***ex-DuPuy***.

A Great Rarity of 19th Century United States Philately



3125 (*) **90¢ Dull Blue, First Design,** no gum, precision centering and rich vivid color, sharp impression on bright fresh paper, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1958, 1988 & 2002 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **62** $50,000

Provenance: ***ex-Cole & Drucker***.

A STUNNING GEM WHICH IS EASILY ON THE FINEST KNOWN EXAMPLES OF THE 1861 90¢ FIRST DESIGN.

According the Siegel Census, there are at total of 22 known examples of the 90¢ First Design, including one copy in the New York Public Library collection. There are a mere six examples which are in sound condition and only two of these still retain their original gum.



3126 o **10¢ Dark Green, First Design,** well centered amid nicely balanced margins, incredibly rich color even for the First Design issue, light boxed "Paid" and red town cancels, **Extremely Fine**; with 2005 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **62B**. $1,750

A WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF THE 10¢ DARK GREEN, FIRST DESIGN WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT STAMPS OF THE 19TH CENTURY TO FIND IN CHOICE CONDITION.

1861 Issue



3127 E **1¢ Franklin, N.B.N.C. Essay, in Black,** frame only, die on India paper, on card (32x39mm), lathe work frame similar in shape of issued design, with blank vignette, label, numeral and "U. S." areas, some faint creasing, **Very Fine,** Unlisted in Brazer. Noted in the Evans book on p. 14.
Scott No. **63-E10** $4,000

Provenance: ***ex-Lake Shore***.

AN EXTRAORDINARILY RARE 1861 1¢ FRANKLIN FRAME ESSAY PRODUCED BY THE NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY - CONSIDERED TO BE UNIQUE.



3128 P **1¢ Blue, Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (98x98mm), with albino "440" die number and small black "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint below, bright and fresh, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **63P1** $700



3129 P❐ **1¢ Blue, Plate Proof on India Paper,** block of 4, large evenly balanced margins, fresh and pristine, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **63P3** $225



3130 S❐ **1¢ Pale Blue, Overprinted with Specimen Control Numbers "9012",** block of 4, o.g., very lightly hinged, bright fresh color, **Fine and scarce.**
Scott No. **63S** . . . . . $1,900 as singles



3131 * **1¢ Blue,** o.g., lightly hinged, exceptional centering amid large beautifully balanced margins, strong vibrant color and exceptionally fresh, **Extremely Fine and choice,** a lovely mint gem; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **63** $275

The Earliest Known Usage of the 1861 1¢ Blue



3132 o **1¢ Blue,** clearly struck **blue "Baltimore, Md., Aug 17, 1861" town** cancel, rich bright color, sealed tear at bottom not mentioned on certificate, **Fine appearance,** pictured in Evans *The United States 1¢ Franklin 1861-67* (pages 6 & 153); with 1996 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **63** . . . . . Estimate $2,000 - 3,000

Provenance: *ex-V. Morris*.

On August 16, 1861, the first delivery of the new issues were accepted by the stamp agent of the Post Office Department and distribution followed shortly thereafter. It is accepted that the first day of usage was the following day as the Baltimore Post Office ran an advertisement that day stating they were prepared at that time to exchange old envelopes and stamps for the new issues. This 1¢ stamp and a 3¢ stamp on cover used from Baltimore Post Office on August 17, 1861 indicates that this was one of the first offices to receive and distribute the new 1861 issues.



3133 o **1¢ Bright Blue,** precision centering amid beautifully balanced margins, intense rich bright blue color (a common characteristic of this elusive shade), town cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice,** an exceptional used example of the 1861 1¢ issue in the rare and elusive bright blue shade; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **63** $45

The bright blue shade is comparable in scarcity to the rare ultramarine shade and is still woefully undercataloged in the Scott catalog.






3134 ▲ **1¢ Blue,** tied on piece by **"Penny Mail, Phila., Pa." octagon carrier** cancel, evenly balanced margins and precise centering, rich color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2006 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **63** $70

3135 o **1¢ Blue,** full socked-on-the-nose **circle of wedges** cancel, choice centering amid large well balanced margins, rich color on bright paper, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1984 & 2007 P.F. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SSV $170)**.
Scott No. **63** $45

3136 o **1¢ Blue,** well centered amid uncommonly large margins, wonderful rich deep color, bold socked-on-the-nose strike of **Philadelphia, Pa. town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice,** a striking used stamp; with 2006 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **63** $45

3137 o **1¢ Ultramarine,** neat **red New York City carrier date stamp** cancel, well centered amid attractively balanced margins, rich distinctive ultramarine color, **Very Fine and choice,** one of only a few examples of the 1¢ ultramarine bearing a color cancel and the only one we known of with a red cancellation; with 1988 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **63a** $1,900

A LOVELY USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 1¢ ISSUE IN THE ELUSIVE ULTRAMARINE COLOR BEARING A COMPLIMENTARY COLOR CANCELLATION.



3138 * **1¢ Dark Blue,** o.g., very lightly hinged, choice centering amid evenly balanced margins, full long perforations all around, rich true dark blue color and remarkable Post Office freshness, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1987 & 2003 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **63b** $800

AN EXCEPTIONAL MINT LIGHTLY HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 1¢ ISSUE IN THE SCARCE DARK BLUE SHADE.



3139 * **3¢ Pink,** full o.g., previously hinged, beautifully centered amid well balanced margins, strong bright true pink color, slight scuff at top, **Very Fine appearance**; with 1989 P.F. & 1991 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **64** $14,000

DESPITE THE MINOR BLEMISH AT THE TOP, THIS IS ONE OF THE FINEST MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 1861 3¢ PINK IN EXISTENCE.

The 3¢ 1861 Pink stamp (Scott 64) stands out as exceptionally challenging to acquire in pristine condition within the 1861-66 Issue. Finding an example with original gum, centered perfectly and boasting vibrant color, makes this one of the 19th Century rarities. Due to the ink's characteristics, the pink hue tends to fade or dull over time due to light exposure and other environmental factors. However, this particular stamp defies the norm. It showcases an unparalleled color, devoid of any signs of oxidation, retaining the Post Office freshness.



3140 o **3¢ Pink,** attractively centered amid large margins, strong vibrant color, neat **grid of rectangles** cancel (S-E SD-G 99), **Very Fine to Extremely Fine**; with 2009 P.F. & 2016 P.S.A.G. certificates, the latter **Graded (85, SSV $1,100)**.
Scott No. **64** $550

The Rare 1861 3¢ Pigeon Blood Pink



3141 o **3¢ Pigeon Blood Pink,** bold **blue Cincinnati, O. town and grid duplex** cancel, well centered amid nicely balanced margins, brilliant pigeon blood pink color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. certificate. Scott No. **64a** $4,250

A MARVELOUS USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 3¢ PIGEON BLOOD PINK ISSUE BEARING A COMPLIMENTARY COLOR CANCELLATION.

Many of the used 3¢ pigeon blood pink issue are found used from Cincinnati Ohio. It is also interesting to note that another rare shade variety of 1861 was being used at the Cincinnati post office around the same time - the elusive 24¢ "Cincinnati" violet.



3142 * **3¢ Rose Pink,** o.g., very lightly hinged, exceptional centering within large beautifully balanced margins, very fresh with strong vivid color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1989 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **64b** $600

A GEM MINT LIGHT HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 3¢ ROSE PINK ISSUE.



3143 o **3¢ Rose Pink,** light neat town cancel, choice centering, brilliant true rose pink color, **Extremely Fine**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **64b** $140



3144 E **3¢ Washington, N.B.N.C. essay, in carmine,** vignette only, die on India paper, mounted on card, engraving of Washington Head only, die sunk on card (71x83mm) showing full die sinkage, some card toning well away from design, **Very Fine,** ***very rare with only two examples recorded***.
Scott No. **65-E11a** $750



3145 E **3¢ Washington, N.B.N.C. Essay, in Black,** incomplete design, die on India paper (31x37mm), with no outside scrolls or ornaments in "3" or "US", mounted on card (75x78mm), **Very Fine,** very rare with only a couple known in black.
Scott No. **65-E12** $1,000



3146 E **3¢ Washington, N.B.N.C. Essay, in Deep Red,** nearly complete design, die on India paper, die sunk on card (70x77mm) showing full die sink, with outside scrolls or ornaments in "3" or "US" added, with pencil notation "no. 5.½ white" at lower right, bright and fresh, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **65-E14a** $750



3147 P **3¢ Green, Trial Color Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (74x73mm) showing full die sink, albino "441" die number below, bright and fresh, **Very Fine and rare.**
Scott No. **65TC1al** $2,500



3148 P **3¢ Slate, Trial Color Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (74x73mm) showing full die sink, albino "441" die number below, bright and fresh, **Very Fine and rare.**
Scott No. **65TC1an**. $2,500



3149 P **3¢ Rose, Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (111x108mm) showing full die sink area, albino "441" die number and small black "**National Bank Note Co.**" imprint at bottom, remarkably fresh, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **65P1** $1,000



3150 P❐ **3¢ Rose, Plate Proof on India Paper,** on original card, block of 4, full well balanced margins, bright and fresh, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **65P3** $550



3151 P **3¢ Rose, Proof on Stamp Paper,** o.g., hinged mostly in margin, full balanced margins, very fresh, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **65P5** . . . . . $1,000 for pair



3152 o **3¢ Black, Trial Color,** gummed with experimental cancel, somewhat rounded corner at bottom right, **otherwise Very Fine.**
Scott No. **65TC** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150



3153 * **3¢ Rose,** bottom horizontal pair with plate "33" number and large part imprint, o.g., lightly hinged, choice centering amid wide margins, bright color and remarkably fresh, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***an outstanding plate number pair***; with 1989 P.F. (for block) & 2008 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **65** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000



3154 o **3¢ Brown Red,** bottom margin single with plate number "11" and part imprint, well centered, sharp impression with deep color, neat grid cancel, **Very Fine and choice position piece**; with 2005 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **65** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3155 o **3¢ Rose,** outstanding centering within huge jumbo margins, lovely color and freshness, lovely strike of Portland, Me. cds, reperfed at right, **Extremely Fine appearance, a striking gem**; with 2004 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **65** $3



3156 o **3¢ Rose,** horizontal pair, choice centering and margins, each with full bold strike of **rosette** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **65** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3157 ▲❐ **3¢ Rose, block of 10**, very well centered for this large used multiple, deep color, tied on piece by multiple strikes of **blue "Martinsburgh, W. Va."** cds, **Extremely Fine**; with 1996 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **65** . . . . . Estimate $1,000 - 1,500



3158 * **3¢ Lake,** o.g., lightly hinged, wide margins and remarkably well centered especially for this notoriously off-centered issue, rich vibrant color on fresh paper, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1983 & 1999 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **66** $2,000

A TRULY OUTSTANDING GEM MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 3¢ LAKE ISSUE WHICH RANKS AS ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN.



3159 P **5¢ Black, Trial Color Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on original card (74x77mm), showing full die sink, with "442" die number and small "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint below, couple tiny tone spots on card, **Very Fine,** very rare with only a few known.
Scott No. **67TC1ae** $2,500



3160 o **5¢ Buff,** near perfect centering amid well balanced margins, fresh with strong bright color, bold **blue Baltimore, Md. town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1996 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E.certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $2,750)**.
Scott No. **67** $780

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

AN EXCEPTIONAL USED EXAMPLE WITH A LOVELY COLOR CANCELLATION, OUTSTANDING CENTERING AND COLOR.

One of the Finest Mint Examples of the Rare 1861 5¢ brown yellow



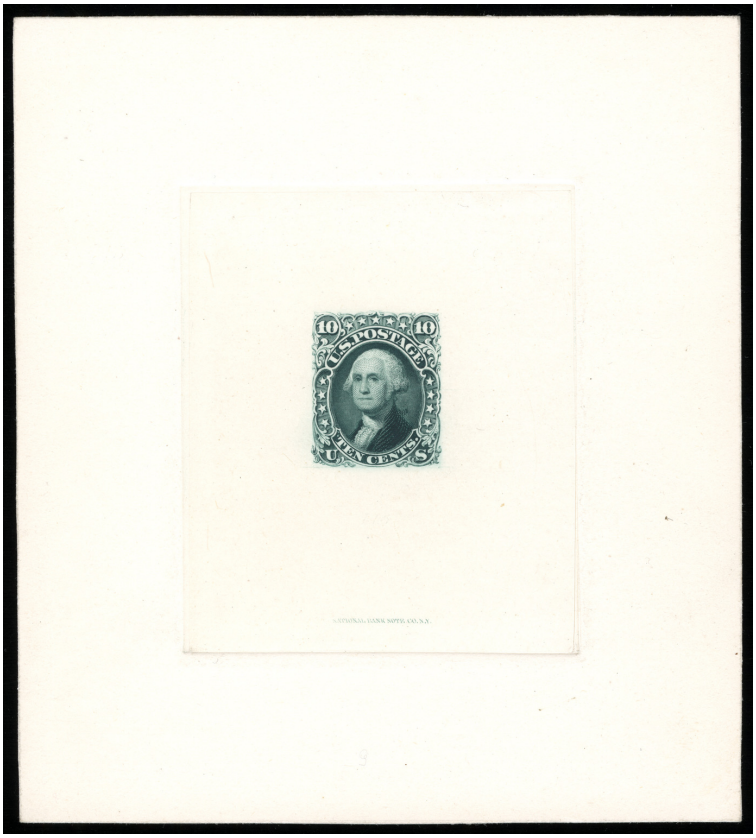
3161 * **5¢ Brown Yellow,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered especially for this notoriously tight margin issue, bright and fresh with rich brilliant and distinctively true brown yellow color, **Extremely Fine**; with 1959 P.F. & 1991 P.S.E. (as #67) and 2000 P.F. certificate correctly identifying color.
Scott No. **67a** $32,500

WITHOUT QUESTION ONE OF THE FINEST MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 1861 5¢ BROWN YELLOW ISSUE. AN OUTSTANDING CLASSIC RARITY.

The 1861 5¢ Brown Yellow is regarded as one of the rarest U.S. Classic issues to obtain with full original gum and with centering as with this stamp, near impossible to find.



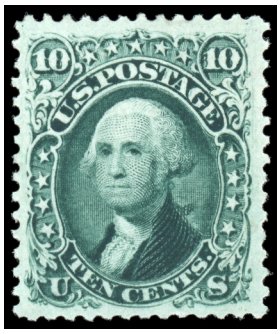
3162 P **10¢ Black, Trial Color Large Die Proof on India Paper,** mounted on original card (43x43mm) and showing trace of imprint at bottom, light layout lines in margins, **Very Fine, scarce trial color proof.**
Scott No. **68TC1ai** $2,500





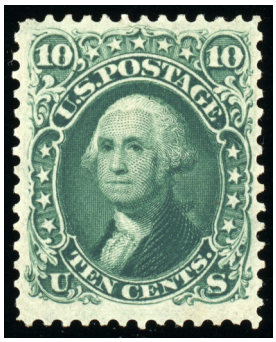
3163 P **10¢ Green, Large Die Proof on India Paper** (113 x 128mm), small "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint below, bright, fresh color, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **68P1** $650

3164 P❒ **10¢ Green, Plate Proof on India Paper,** on original card, block of 4, huge margins, intense color, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **68P3** $300



3165 * **10¢ Green,** o.g., lightly hinged once, attractively centered amid large margins, bright and fresh with rich bold color, **Extremely Fine**; with 2000 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **68** $950

A WONDERFUL CHOICE MINT SINGLE WHICH IS REMINISCENT OF THE 1875 RE-ISSUE GIVEN THE LARGE SIZE MARGINS OF THIS GEM.



3166 * **10¢ Yellow Green,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered amid large margins all around, dark early shade and proof-like impression, **immaculate and Very Fine,** ***a lovely mint example which is rare in this choice condition***; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **68** $950



3167 o **10¢ Dark Green,** beautifully centered within large margins, deep rich and dark color with is reminiscent of the First Design color, canceled by **red New York "Paid"** foreign mail postmark, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2000 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **68a** $90

A STUNNING EXAMPLE OF THIS DISTINCTIVE SHADE WHICH IS FAR MORE RARE THAN THE MODEST CATALOG WOULD SUGGEST.



3168 o **10¢ Green,** bold blue black **"New Orleans, La., Nov 14, 1862" occupational town** cancel, well centered with nicely balanced margins, rich color on fresh paper, **Very Fine and choice,** a **wonderful townmark strike used during the Federal Occupation of New Orleans**; with 1987 & 1992 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **68** $60

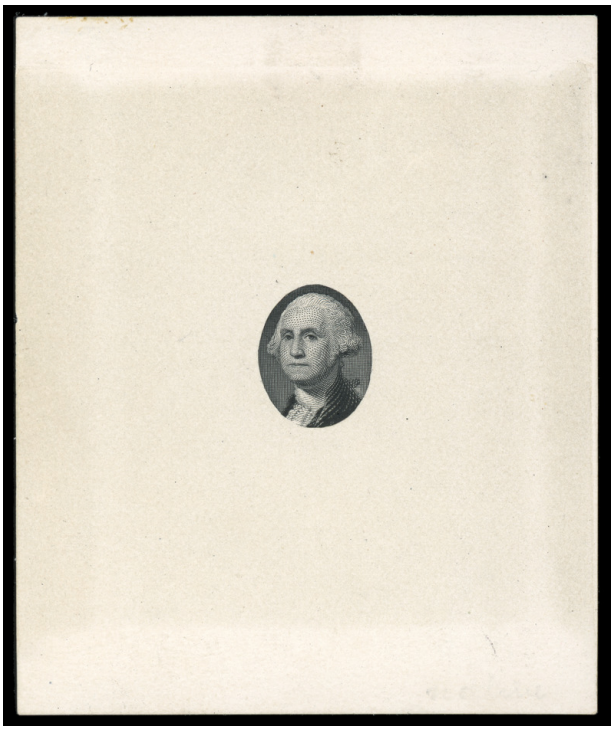
Provenance: ***ex-Koppersmith and Saadi***.

On May 1, 1862, Maj. Gen. Benjamin Butler occupied the city of New Orleans with an army of 5,000, facing no resistance.

3169 o **10¢ Green,** central full strike of **fancy New York Foreign Mail geometric** cancel (S-E GE-E 60), exceptionally well centered within large evenly balanced margins, bold color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2008 P.F. certificate. Kirke No. 66-07-11-SGEO.
Scott No. **68** $60

3170 o **10¢ Dark Green,** right margin single, huge margins and attractively centered, intense true dark shade, neat circle of wedges cancel, **a Very Fine jumbo**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **68a** $90

3171 o **10¢ Yellow Green,** attractively centered amid nicely balanced margins, beautiful rich vibrant color, superb, sharp strike of **New York town** cancel, **Very Fine and choice,** a gorgeous town canceled stamp; with 2005 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **68** $60



3172 E **12¢ Washington, Essay in Black,** vignette only, die on ivory paper showing full die sink (64 x 67mm), bright and fresh, **Extremely Fine and attractive,** ***far scarcer than the modest catalog value indicates***.
Scott No. **69-E5b** $500

Provenance: ***ex-"Lake Shore"***.



3173 P **12¢ Brown, Trial Color Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (75 x 68mm) showing full die sink, fresh with bold color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***a very rare trial color proof***.
Scott No. **69TC1af** $2,500

Provenance: ***ex-Finkelburg***.

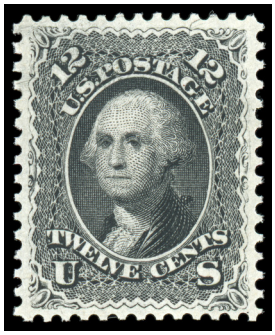


3174 P **12¢ Black, Large Die Proof on India Paper** (111 x 108mm), small "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint below **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **69P1** $700



3175 P❒ **12¢ Black, Plate Proof on India Paper,** mounted on original card, block of 4, large even margins, deep color, **Extremely Fine,** a choice plate proof multiple.
Scott No. **69P3** $300

The Finest Mint Original Gum 1861 12¢ Black



3176 * **12¢ Black,** o.g., lightly hinged, exquisite precise centering with large evenly balanced, encompassed by full long perforation tips all around, with rich bold color and deeply etched impression on remarkably fresh paper, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 (for pair) & 2018 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **69** $1,700

Provenance: ***ex-Puliafito and Wingate***.

A GORGEOUS 1861 12¢ BLACK IN PERFECT POST OFFICE CONDITION. CERTAINLY ONE OF THE FINEST MINT EXAMPLES IN EXISTENCE.

The 1861-66 Issue is one the most difficult of all the 19th Century issues to find in choice condition with original gum. This copy typifies the best in a stamp, with bright color, outstanding centering and full original gum.



3177 o **12¢ Black, red grid and British Packet transit date stamp** cancels, exceptional centering amid large evenly balanced margins, bold color and crisp detailed impression on bright fresh paper, **Extremely Fine to Superb,** a wonderful used gem; with 2001 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $750)**.
Scott No. **69** $135





3178 o **12¢ Black,** blue **blue Cincinnati, O. town and grid duplex** cancel, choice large margins and beautiful centering, rich intense color, **Extremely Fine and choice,** a wonderful used stamp; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **69** $110

3179 o **12¢ Black,** bold central strike of **circle of wedges** and red transit date stamp cancels, choice centering amid wide jumbo margins, intense color and sharp proof-like impression, **Extremely Fine and attractive,** a wonderfully choice stamp; with 1992 & 2014 P.F. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SSV $325)**.
Scott No. **69** $95



3180 ▲ **12¢ Black,** tied on piece by grid cancel with matching 1863 New York town date stamp alongside, evenly balanced margins and exceptional centering, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2010 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **69** $95



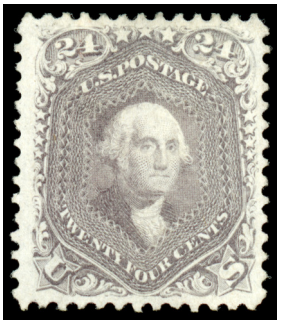
3181 E **24¢ Washington, Essay in Dark Violet,** nearly complete design, die on India sunk on card (77x77mm), bright and fresh, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **70-E6** $900



3182 o **24¢ Red Lilac,** central bold **straight line "Paid"** cancel, rich bold color, choice centering, **Extremely Fine**; with 1985, 1991 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, **Provenance:** ***ex-Saadi***.
Scott No. **70** $315



3183 o **24¢ Red Lilac,** light target cancel, exceptional centering amid large nicely balanced margins, strong vivid color, **Extremely Fine**; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **70** $300



3184 * **24¢ Brown Lilac,** o.g., very lightly hinged, choice centering within wide nicely balanced margins, bright vibrant color on bright fresh paper, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1986 & 2001 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **70a** $3,250

THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT STAMPS OF THE 1861 ISSUE TO FIND IN CHOICE CONDITION AND WITH FULL ORIGINAL GUM - A GORGEOUS GEM.



3185 o **24¢ Brown Lilac,** bold socked-on-the-nose **Smithville, Miss.** town cancel, choice centering, strong bold color on fresh bright paper, **an Extremely Fine gem,** ***a gorgeous stamp for the connoisseur***; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **70a** $325

Provenance: ***ex-Saadi***.



3186 o **24¢ Brown Lilac,** complete socked-on-the-nose strike of **fancy square & compass** cancel (S-E FR-M4a 4), brilliant color and sharp impression, tiny violet ink spot at center virtually obscured by cancel, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2004 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **70a** $325

A Gem Example of the Rare Steel Blue Shade



3187 o **24¢ Steel Blue,** neat complimentary red grid cancel, remarkably rich deep steel blue color not often encountered in such intensity, exceptional centering within evenly balanced margins, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **70b** $825

A REMARKABLE EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 24¢ STEEL BLUE ISSUE COMBINING CENTERING, COLOR AND CANCELLATION. A TRUE CONDITION RARITY.

A Gorgeous Example of the Rare "Cincinnati Violet" Shade



3188 o **24¢ Violet, Thin Paper,** with **blue Cincinnati, O. town and grid duplex** cancel, strong true purplish "Cincinnati violet" color, attractive centering and margins, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1984 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **70c** $2,275

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF THE 24¢ CINCINNATI VIOLET SHOWING ITS TRUE SHADE BEARING IT'S COMPLIMENTARY BLUE TOWN CANCELLATION.

The Highest Graded Example, XF-Superb 95 by the P.S.E.



3189 o **24¢ Pale Gray Violet, Thin Paper,** central bright **blue Cincinnati, O.** town cancel, rich brilliant pale gray violet shade most found often on stamps used from Cincinnati, beautifully centered with large margins, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1998 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $15,000), the highest graded example and the sole example to receive this grade**.
Scott No. **70d** $3,000

THIS IS WITHOUT A DOUBT THE FINEST KNOWN USED EXAMPLE GIVEN THE REMARKABLE SHADE, GORGEOUS CANCELLATION AND SUPERB CONDITION.

The 24¢ Pale Gray Violet comes from an early 1861 printing on thin paper, a characteristic shared by the Violet and Steel Blue stamps.



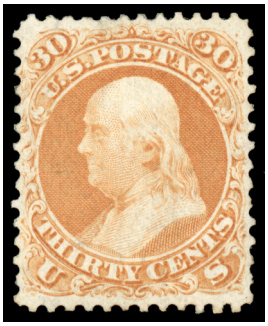
3190 P **30¢ Orange, Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (63x76mm) showing full die sink area, very fresh, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **71P1** $500



3191 P❒ **30¢ Orange, Plate Proof on India Paper,** block of 4, four full margins, **fresh & Very Fine.**
Scott No. **71P3** $350



3192 P **30¢ Orange, Plate Proof on Card,** bottom margin strip of 4 with plate number "7" and full imprint, deep fresh color, **Very Fine,** a nice position piece.
Scott No. **71P4** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200



3193 * **30¢ Orange,** o.g., previously hinged, beautifully centered with four margins clear of the design, warm rich shade, lovely Post Office fresh color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1990 & photocopy of 2004 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **71** $2,600

ONE OF THE FINEST MINT SINGLES WITH ORIGINAL GUM AND OUTSTANDING CENTERING FOR THIS DIFFICULT ISSUE. THIS IS THE FINEST EXAMPLE WE HAVE EVER HAD THE PLEASURE TO OFFER.

The rarity of this stamp is due to its narrow spacing on the plate, which left very little room for the twelve gauge perforations. Stamps with large margins are considered extremely rare. This fact is acknowledged in the Scott Catalogue footnote for #71.



3194 ▲ **30¢ Orange,** bold strike of **Union Soldier's Head** of New York tying stamp to piece, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine**; with 1987 P.F. certificate. Skinner-Eno No. PH-F73.
Scott No. **71** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

A STUNNING ITEM WITH SUPERB STRIKE OF THIS ICONIC CIVIL WAR ERA FANCY CANCELLATION.



3195 o **30¢ Orange,** bold **Red 5 Pointed Star in Circle** fancy cancel, fresh color, **Very Fine, a lovely item with great eye appeal**; with 2006 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **71** $295



3196 o **30¢ Orange,** well-struck **Pinwheel of 6 Spokes** fancy cancel, rich color on bright paper, **Very Fine and choice, a stamp with wonderful eye appeal**; with 1988 & 1990 P.F. certificates. Skinner-Eno No. GE-P70.
Scott No. **71** $250

Provenance: ***ex-Saadi***.



3197 o **30¢ Orange,** virtually perfect centering with jumbo margins, vivid color and impression with Post Office freshness, bright paper, perfect strike of **Quartered Concentric Rings** cancel; with 2004 & 2005 P.F. certificates, **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **71** $250

Provenance: *ex-Kirke*.

A STUNNING EXAMPLE WHICH IS SEVERELY UNDER GRADED AND THE NUMERIC DESIGNATION ASSIGNED TO THIS STAMP DOES NOT DO THIS GEM JUSTICE. THIS EXQUISITE STAMP, WITH JUMBO MARGINS, GORGEOUS COLOR AND A CLEAR CANCEL.

Brookman notes "coupled with the fact it is very hard to find a well-centered copy, this color, which always cancels badly, makes a truly superb used copy almost a rarity. I consider it the most difficult stamp of the 1861 Series to obtain in choice used condition". Scott Catalogue also acknowledges the difficulty of obtaining this issue in choice condition, stating "Values for No. 71 are for examples with small margins, especially at sides. Large margined examples sell for much more".





3198 o **30¢ Orange,** cancelled by bold **red New York Exchange Office** cds and also part of foreign handstamp, deep rich color, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 1987 and 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **71** $295

3199 o **30¢ Orange,** vivid **blue Baltimore** cds, vibrant color almost perfect centering, **Extremely Fine, colorful and unusually beautiful 30¢ 1861**; with 2005 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **71** $265

3200 o **30¢ orange,** fresh color & well centered, wonderful strike of **large Boston "PAID"** grid, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1986 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **71** $250



3201 o **30¢ Orange,** vertical pair, radiant color, top stamp light horizontal crease at bottom, cancelled by **Chambersburgh, Pa.** duplex, **still Extremely Fine, the bottom stamp is an outstanding gem**; with 2007 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **71** $550

Provenance: ***ex-Knapp and Hansen***.



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3202 E **90¢ Washington, Essay in Blue,** incomplete design, die on India paper (82 x 90mm) with pencil "No. 8" at bottom, bright, fresh color, **Extremely Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **72-E6** $1,000

3203 P **90¢ Blue, Large Die Proof on India Paper** (76 x 89mm), **Extremely Fine, a gorgeous item in perfect condition.**
Scott No. **72P1** $500



3204 P❒ **90¢ Blue, Plate Proof on India Paper,** block of 4, large even margins, deep Post Office fresh color, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **72P3** $400

An Outstanding Mint Original Gum Example of the 1861 90¢ Blue



3205 * **90¢ Blue,** o.g., previously hinged, brilliant color and detailed impression, gorgeous centering within nice margins, **Extremely Fine**; with 1980 and 1999 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **72** $3,000

A VERY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN THIS CHOICE POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION. THIS EXAMPLE CERTAINLY QUALIFIES AS ONE OF THE FINEST MINT EXAMPLES WITH ORIGINAL GUM.



3206 o **90¢ Blue,** fresh color with crisp impression, nicely centered with bright paper, light strike of neat **San Francisco "Cogwheel"** cancel, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 2004 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **72** $600



3207 o **90¢ Pale Blue,** beautiful color in the distinct Pale Blue shade, unusually choice centering with wide and balanced margins, neat geometric cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2002 & 2017 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **72a** $650

A WONDERFUL USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 90¢ IN THE PALE BLUE SHADE AND ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE.

An Gem Used Example of the 1861 90¢ Dark Blue Shade

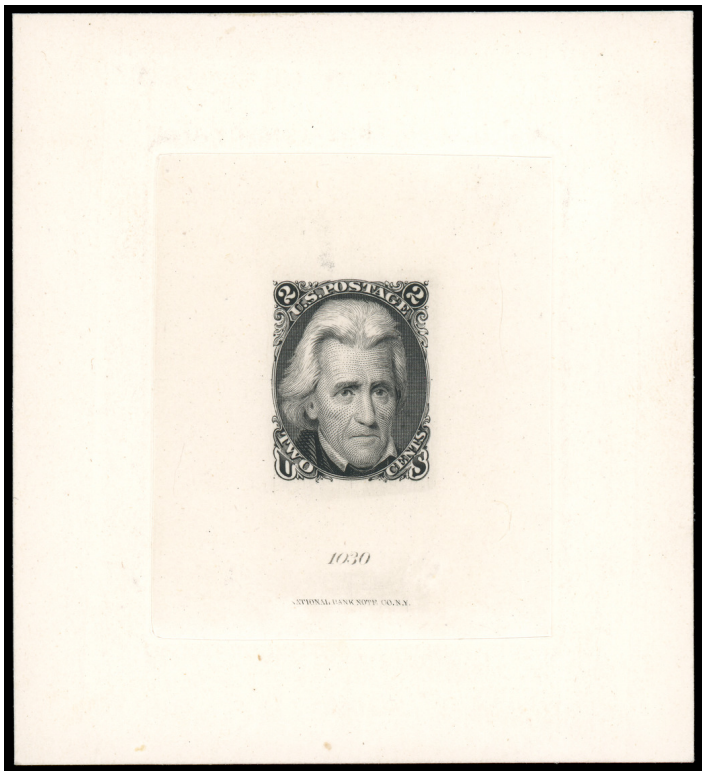


3208 o **90¢ Dark Blue,** deep shade and proof-like impression, neat grid cancel, unusually choice centering with large even margins, **Extremely Fine to Superb**; with 1982, 1989 and 2002 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, the last **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $6,500)**.
Scott No. **72b** $950

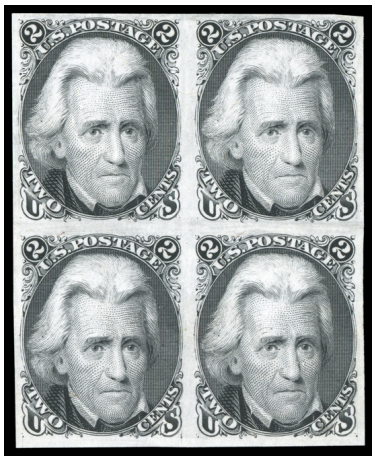
AN ABSOLUTELY STUNNING USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 90¢ IN THE DARK BLUE SHADE WHICH IS FAR MORE RARE THAN THE TYPICAL BLUE SHADE.

Only one stamp is graded higher at 95J by the P.S.E. (Siegel Sale 1062, Lot 238, Hammer $10,000). In our opinion, this stamp is compares favorably to the 95J example.

1863-1866 Issue



3209 P **2¢ Black, Die II, Large Die Proof on India Paper** (87 x 95mm) showing die no. "1030" and "**National Bank Note Co.**" imprint at bottom, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **73P1a** $2,500



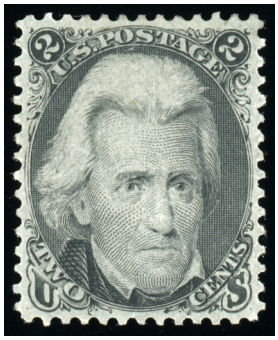


3210 P❒ **2¢ Black, Die I, Plate Proof on India Paper,** block of 4, four full margins, **fresh & Very Fine.**
Scott No. **73P3** $750

3211 P **2¢ Gray Black, Trial Color Plate Proof on India Paper,** vertical pair, top stamp showing **geometric trial cancel** of Washington, D.C., four mostly large margins, **Very Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **73TC3j** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3212 o **2¢ Black Jack Trial Colors,** lot of 13 singles and three pairs, in different shades, virtually all with large margins, **generally fresh & Very Fine to Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **73TC**. . . . . Estimate $3,000 - 4,000



3213 * **2¢ Black,** o.g., lightly hinged, outstanding centering within large even margins, rich shade and proof-like impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1990, 1994 P.F. & 2006 P.S.E. certificates, the last **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,400)**, only six mint examples are graded higher, all at "95".
Scott No. **73** $350

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL GUM 1863 2¢ "BLACK JACK", GRADED XF 90 BY P.S.E.

Despite being a relatively common stamp mint, the Black Jack is notorious for being off-centered. This gem example is a true condition rarity.



3214 ▲ **2¢ Black,** tied by beautiful strike of **Star within Star in Circle** fancy cancel with "Petersburg Va. Oct. 30" cds on small piece, small faults, **Extremely Fine strike and a gorgeous item**; with 2018 P.F. certificate. Skinner-Eno No. ST-St 29.
Scott No. **73** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Provenance: ***ex-Jack Dick, Haas, Metzger and Faust***.



3215 o **2¢ Black,** cancelled by large **Blue Star within Circle**, nicely centered with large margins, **Extremely Fine and attractive, a very pretty stamp with this blue fancy cancel**; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **73** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Provenance: ***ex-Grunin and Haas***.



3216 o **2¢ Black,** bold **red Pentagon in Star in Circle** fancy cancel, bright shade with detailed impression, **Very Fine, a gorgeous stamp with tremendous eye appeal**; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **73** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600



3217 o **2¢ Black,** perfectly centered with uncharacteristically huge margins, circle of wedges cancel and red transit mark at bottom, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **73** $60

THE NARROW SPACING OF BLACK JACK PLATES MAKES THIS STAMP A STATISTICAL RARITY, CERTAINLY ONE OF THE FINEST USED EXAMPLES.



3218 o **2¢ Black,** top margin single with **part imprint**, beautifully centered, cancelled by neat **Circle of Wedges**, **Very Fine, an outstanding positional piece**; with 1988 & 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **73** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



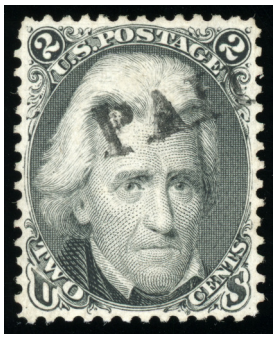
3219 o **2¢ Black,** a lovely single cancelled by blue waffle grid, red New York Foreign exchange cds and **blue German "Aachen Franco"**, well centered with bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine and most attractive with these color cancels**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **73** $60



3220 o **2¢ Black,** light strike of **blue town** cancel and matching fancy Geometric, well centered with large margins, rich color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2005 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $375)**.
Scott No. **73** $75



3221 o **2¢ Black,** outstanding centering amid huge margins, fresh color & detailed impression, light **Boston** cds, **an Extremely Fine gem, a superb stamp in every respect**; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **73** $60



3222 o **2¢ Black,** outstanding centering with lovely impression and color, straight line "Paid" handstamp, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1995 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **73** $60

A GEM EXAMPLE WITH THIS ATTRACTIVE STRAIGHT LINE "PAID" CANCELLATION.

A Gem Example of the Rare 1861 3¢ Scarlet

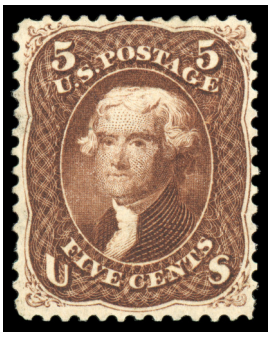


3223 o **3¢ Scarlet,** four horizontal black pen strokes, remarkable centering especially for this notoriously off centered issue, rich brilliant color, **Extremely Fine**; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **74** $5,000

A WONDERFULLY CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 3¢ SCARLET TRIAL PRINT AND CERTAINLY THE FINEST EXAMPLE WE HAVE EVER OFFERED AT AUCTION.

The Washington D.C. stamp dealer Carl F. Rothfuchs obtained a quantity of these stamps in 1893 and sold them bearing the four horizontal pen marks.

One of the Finest Mint Examples of the Rare 1862 5¢ Red Brown



3224 * **5¢ Red Brown,** full o.g., well centered and nice margins especially for this notoriously off centered and typically tight margin issue, fresh with wonderful rich deep color not often found in such intensity, **Extremely Fine**; with 1984 & 2000 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **75** $5,750

A REMARKABLY CHOICE MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1862 5¢ RED BROWN ISSUE.



3225 o **5¢ Red Brown,** full central **"Paid" in lozenge** cancel, perfect centering amid large beautifully balanced margins, with perforations well clear of design all round, fiery rich color, **an Extremely Fine gem,** an exceptional superb centered stamp, in our opinion - a bit undergraded; with 2003 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,000)**, with only seven graded higher (all at 95).
Scott No. **75** $425



3226 o **5¢ Dark Red Brown,** attractive centering and margins with portion of adjacent stamp at left, bold distinctively dark color, light **grid and Philadelphia, Pa. town** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2004 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **75** $1,000



3227 o **5¢ Red Brown,** choice centering amid wide margins, beautiful rich bright color, neat socked-on-the-nose strike of target cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1989 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **75** $425



3228 P **5¢ Brown, Large Die Proof on India Paper,** die sunk on card (76x75mm) showing full die sink, with albino "442" die number and small black "**National Bank Note Co. N.Y.**" imprint below, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **76P1** $700



3229 P❐ **5¢ Brown, Plate Proof on India Paper,** on original card, block of 4, full even margins, bright and fresh, **Very Fine.**
Scott No. **76P3** $225



3230 * **5¢ Brown,** o.g., fairly light hinging, near perfect centering amid large beautifully balanced margins, with perforations well clear of design all around, rich vivid color and exceptionally fresh, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1988, 2002 P.F. (photocopies) & 2009 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **76** $1,400

A MAGNIFICENT MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1863, 5¢ BROWN ISSUE.



3231 o **5¢ Brown,** central **red circular Fulton Bank date stamp revenue** cancel, remarkable centering amid full margins with perforation clear of design, rich deep color on bright fresh paper, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1982 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **76** . . . . . Estimate $400 - 600

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



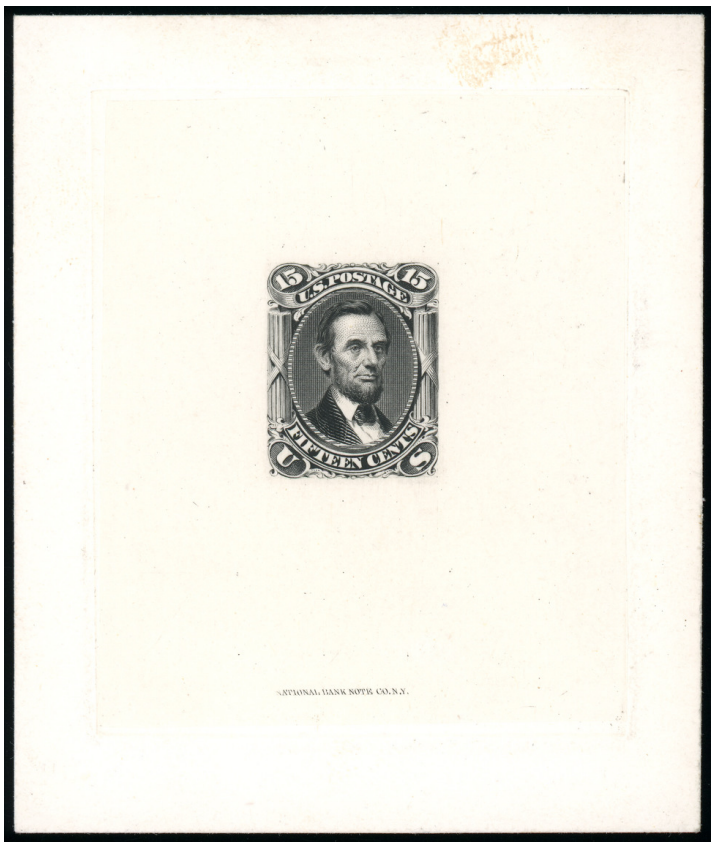
3232 o **5¢ Brown,** perfect centering amid uncommonly large evenly balanced margins with perforation well clear of design all round, strong bright color, neat **grid and portion of red transit** cancels, **Superb,** a remarkable gem; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **76** $125



3233 o **5¢ Brown,** central bold **blue Baltimore, Md. town** cancel, well centered amid wide margins, rich deep color, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2011 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **76** $125



3234 o **5¢ Black Brown,** near perfect centering, large well balanced with perforations clear of design, deep bold black brown color and a sharp detailed impression, light central **segmented diamond grid** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1986 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **76a** $400

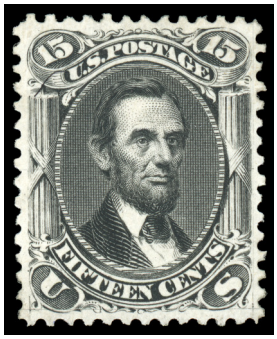


3235 P **15¢ Black, Large Die Proof on India Paper** (80 x 95mm) with "**National Bank Note Co., N.Y.**" imprint at bottom, **Extremely Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **77P1** $1,500



3236 P❒ **15¢ Black, Plate Proof on India Paper,** block of 4, four large margins, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **77P3** $250

One of the Finest Mint Gems of the 1861-66 Issue



3237 * **15¢ Black,** o.g., lightly hinged, unbelievable centering with large even margins, Post Office fresh color and proof-like impression, **Extremely Fine**; with 1995 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $10,000)**.
Scott No. **77** $5,000

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 15¢ 1861-66 ISSUE IN THE BEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE. THIS STAMP IS CERTAINLY THE FINEST MINT SINGLE POSSESSING ALL THE ATTRIBUTES OF A TRUE GEM.

As a reference, the P.S.E. has graded but a mere three mint examples of the 15¢ Lincoln with original gum. One never hinged example, graded F-VF 75 and two hinged examples, one graded F 70 and this example graded XF 90.

Why this gem did not graded higher, we do not understand and the SMQ value for this is woefully undervalued. To this point, it should be noted that this magnificent gem sold in Dec. 2000 for a hammer price of $32,500 (Siegel Sale 833, Lot 422).



3238 o **15¢ Black,** beautifully centered, sharp impression and fresh color, light cork cancel & **red circular** town marking, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1987 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **77** $175

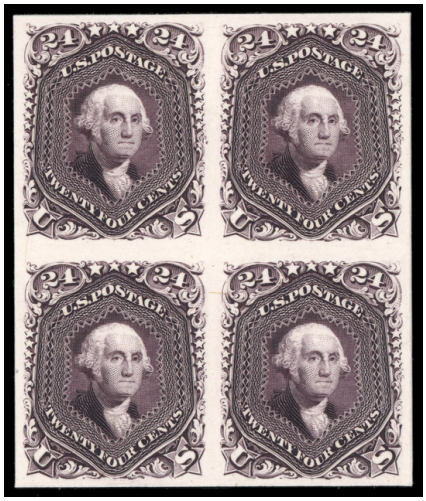
THE 1866 15¢ LINCOLN IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT DENOMINATIONS TO OBTAIN IN SUCH CHOICE USED CONDITION.



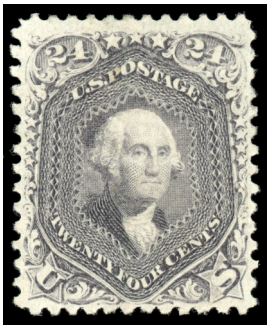
3239 o **15¢ Black,** wide natural straddle-pane margin at right, socked-on-the-nose **blue target** cancel, choice centering with enormous margins, dark shade, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1983 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **77** $190



3240 o **15¢ Black,** bright fresh paper & rich color, bold **Sunburst** cancel, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 2007 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **77** $175



3241 P❒ **24¢ Lilac, Plate Proof on India Paper,** on original card, block of 4, full balanced margins, deep color, **Very Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **78P3** $400



3242 * **24¢ Lilac,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, bright Post Office color and freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1993 P.S.E. & 2001 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **78** $2,750

THE 1861-66 24¢ ISSUE IS EXTREMELY RARE IN SOUND, WELL-CENTERED ORIGINAL-GUM CONDITION. THE SHADE AND IMPRESSION OF THIS STAMP ARE VERY RARELY ENCOUNTERED.

This lovely stamp shows every background line and detail of the lathe work with perfect clarity.



3243 o **24¢ Lilac,** beautifully centered amid uncommonly large margins, rich bold color, light grid cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1989, 1994 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $950)**.
Scott No. **78** $400

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



3244 o **24¢ Grayish Lilac,** perfectly centered amid wide margins, strong vivid color, light cork and **red boxed Aachen transit** cancels, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2014 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $2,000)**.
Scott No. **78a** $425

Provenance: ***ex-Saadi and Morton***.

A WONDERFUL LARGE MARGIN GEM WITH ONLY FOUR GRADED HIGHER (ONE 90J & THREE 95).



3245 o **24¢ Grayish Lilac,** bold **blue Baltimore, Md. town and target duplex** cancel, beautiful rich color and uncommonly deep shade, exceptional detailed impression and choice centering, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2004 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **78a** $425

A MARVELOUS EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 24-CENT GRAYISH LILAC FEATURING OUTSTANDING CENTERING, FRESH COLOR, SHARP IMPRESSION AND A BEAUTIFUL BLUE CANCELLATION.



3246 o **24¢ Grayish Lilac,** full neat strike of **red Newark town** cancel, rich bold color, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 1989, 1991 P.F. & 2017 P.S.A.G. certificates.
Scott No. **78a** $465

AN OUTSTANDING STAMP WITH THIS VIVID COLOR CANCEL FOR THE FINEST COLLECTION.



3247 o **24¢ "Steel" Gray,** large margins and wonderfully centered, rich color especially for this notoriously pale shade, neat target cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1993 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **78b** $450

A VERY DIFFICULT SHADE TO FIND AND IN THIS GEM CONDITION, IT IS A TRUE RARITY.

1867 Grilled Issues



3248 * **3¢ Rose, A. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, clearly defined grill, radiant color, beautifully centered with virtually intact perfs which is very rare for this issue, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1937 A.P.S. & 1997 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **79** $8,500

Provenance: ***ex-Spencer Anderson***.

THE 1867 3¢ A. GRILL IS SELDOM FOUND IN SOUND, ORIGINAL GUM CONDITION, ESPECIALLY WITH INTACT PERFORATIONS AND CENTERING SUCH AS THIS GEM EXAMPLE.

The experimental A Grill covered the entire stamp. On most examples, this caused the perforations to virtually disintegrate when the stamps were separated. Examples of the 3¢ A. Grill such as the stamp offered here, with virtually full perforations all around, are true condition rarities.



3249 * **3¢ Rose, C. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, strong grill, bright fresh Post Office color and paper, well centered with perfs clear of design on all four sides, **Very Fine**; with 1997 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **83** $5,500

A GORGEOUS EXAMPLE IN MINT CONDITION, THAT IS RARELY FOUND IN THIS PRISTINE, ORIGINAL GUM CONDITION.

The 3¢ is the only regularly issued denomination that comes with the distinctive C. Grill, with the grill points facing up instead of down.



3250 o **3¢ Rose, C. Grill,** neatly cancelled by delicate "**Galensburg & Qui. R.P.O.**" cds in blue, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1989 & 2006 P.F. certificates, **Graded (XF 90, SSV $2,750)**.
Scott No. **83** $1,200

AN OUTSTANDING GEM IN THIS SUPERLATIVE CONDITION COMPLEMENTED BY THIS RARE CANCELLATION.

By way of comparison the P.S.E. has graded only three examples in this grade, with only one graded higher at "95".



3251 o **3¢ Rose, D. Grill,** clearly defined grill, full perforations, vibrant color, well-struck New York duplex datestamp cancel, **Very Fine and most attractive**; with 2007 Weiss certificate.
Scott No. **85** $1,100

The Grilled Issues are rarely found in this choice condition, particularly showing complete, full perforations.

One of the Finest 1867 2¢ Black, Z. Grill, Graded XF-Superb 95 by the P.S.E.



3252 o **2¢ Black, Z. Grill,** perfectly centered with enormous margins by any standards, full and clearly defined grill showing all of the points, lightly cancelled by cork cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1995 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $10,000)**.
Scott No. **85B**. $1,200

Provenance: ***ex-Puliafito***.

A SUPERB GEM WHICH RANKS AMONG THE FINEST USED EXAMPLES OF THE 1868 2¢ Z. GRILL. AN OUTSTANDING STAMP DESTINED FOR THE FINEST COLLECTION. ONLY 2 EXAMPLES ARE GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E. (BOTH 98).

Narrow spacing on the plates used to print the Black Jacks did not provide enough room between subjects for the large Perf 12 gauge holes. As a result, most Black Jack stamps have perfs touching the design on one or more sides. The rarity of four-margin copies significantly increases when the Z. Grill is factored into the equation.

An Unmatched Gem Example of the 1867 3¢ Z. Grill



3253 * **3¢ Rose, Z. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered with large margins, bright fresh Post Office color with well defined grill, excellent detailed impression, small natural pre-printing paper fold at left, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1992 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **85C** $25,000

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE LIGHTLY HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1868 3¢ WASHINGTON Z. GRILL.

Excluding the ultra-rare grills, the 3¢ Z. Grill is the rarest of the regularly produced grilled issues. Examples of this issue are usually well off center and most often faulty. This stamp, lightly hinged original gum and attractive margins is a very rare example of the 3¢ Z. Grill.

1867 Grilled Issue, E. Grills

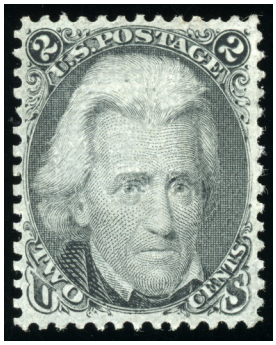


3254 * **1¢ Blue, E. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged (light natural gum wrinkle, not mentioned on cert.), well centered with bright Post Office fresh color, bold grill and full perfs, **Extremely Fine**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **86** $3,000



3255 o **1¢ Blue, E. Grill,** light blue cancel, deep shade, choice centering, **fresh & Extremely Fine**; with 1997 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **86** $475

An Outstanding Mint Gem of the 1867 2¢ Black, E. Grill



3256 * **2¢ Black, E. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, beautifully centered, Post Office fresh color and paper, full perforations with strong grill, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2008 P.F. & 2008 and 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **87** $1,700

A WONDERFUL STAMP WHICH IS NEAR IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND IN THE GEM CONDITION, WHICH HAS POST OFFICE FRESH GUM, COLOR AND GRILL.

The 2¢ E. Grill is a surprisingly difficult stamp to find in this superb condition. It is much scarcer in this condition than the 2¢ F. Grill.

After an online search, in our opinion, this is the finest mint single which is borne out by the fact that this example has realized the highest price for a mint 1867 2¢ E. Grill, $12,000 (Siegel Sale 826, Lot 248).



3257 o **2¢ Black, E. Grill,** intense shade and near perfect centering, nicely contrasted by blue grid cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2018 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $1,750, without premium for the blue cancel). Only three grade higher, two at 95J and one at 98J**.
Scott No. **87** $210

Provenance: *ex-Morton*.

A TRULY OUTSTANDING USED 1868 2¢ BLACK JACK E. GRILL WITH A BLUE CANCEL.



3258 * **3¢ Rose, E. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, near perfect centering, unbelievable fresh color, clearly defined grill and full perforations, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1998 and 2000 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, the last **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $3,000). Only two examples graded higher at 95 J.**
Scott No. **88** $950

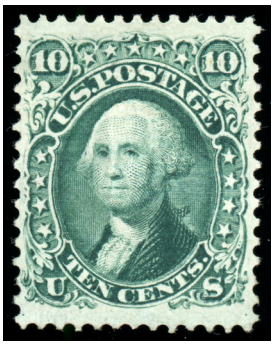
A GORGEOUS GEM WITH THIS POST OFFICE FRESH COLOR, GRILL AND PERFORATIONS. WE FEEL THE NUMERIC GRADE IS WAY OFF THE MARK HERE, GIVEN THE OVERALL BEAUTY OF THIS ITEM.



3259 o **3¢ Rose, E. Grill,** beautifully centered with large balanced margins, bright color on fresh paper, neatly struck **Small Circle of Wedges** cancel clear of the central vignette, **an Extremely Fine gem.**
Scott No. **88** $30

Provenance: *ex-Kirke*.

A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THIS ISSUE, WITH 2009 P.F. AND P.S.E. CERTIFICATES, LATTER **GRADED (XF-SUPERB 95; SMQ $1,000)**, ONLY ONE HAS GRADED HIGHER (AT 95J). THIS EXAMPLE WITH AN ATTRACTIVE CANCEL IS PARTICULARLY HANDSOME.



3260 * **10¢ Green, E. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, gorgeous centering with large margins, Post Office fresh and well defined grill, deep color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **89** $5,000

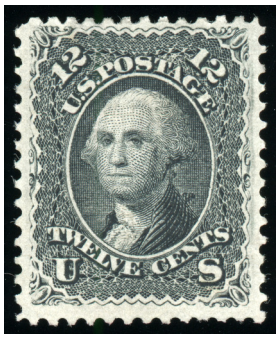
A VERY RARE STAMP TO FIND IN THIS SUPERB CONDITION AND POSSESSES ALL OF THE ATTRIBUTES TO PLACE IT AMONGST THE BEST OF THE BEST.



3261 o **10¢ Green, E. Grill,** precision centering amid wide margins, deep rich color, partial town and quartered cork cancels, **Extremely Fine to Superb,** a wonderfully choice gem of this difficult issue; with 1991 & 2018 P.F. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SSV $2,250)**.
Scott No. **89** $325



3262 o **10¢ Green, E. Grill,** beautifully centered with wide margins, fresh color, light strike of black cork cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1993 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **89** $350



3263 * **12¢ Black, E. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, deep vivid black shade in Post Office fresh condition on bright paper, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **90** $4,750

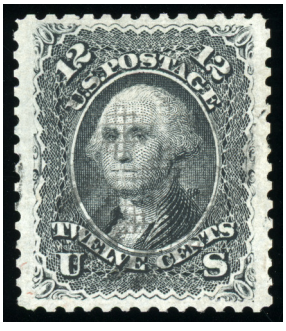
A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1868 12¢ E. GRILL. SCARCE IN SUCH CHOICE CONDITION.



3264 o **12¢ Black, E. Grill,** near perfect centering with large even margins, sharp impression and deep jet black color, well defined grill, neat black and red cancellations, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 2003 P.F., 2014 & 2023 P.S.E. certificates, P.S.E. certs **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $3,250)**.
Scott No. **90** $375

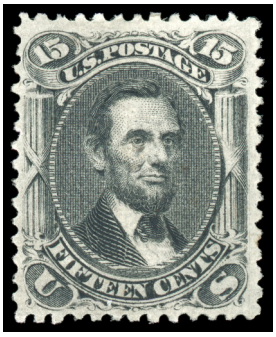
Provenance: ***ex-Morton***.

A STUNNING 1868 12¢ GRILLED ISSUE WHICH IS A ONE IN A MILLION GEM. ONLY TWO EXAMPLES ARE GRADED HIGHER ON AT “95J” AND ONE AT “98”.



3265 o **12¢ Black, E. Grill, Double Transfer of Bottom Frame Line,** light face free cancel, well centered with large margins, fresh color, light cancel, **Very Fine and attractive, a very scarce variety**; with 1993 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **90 var.** $475

A Wonderful Mint Example of the 1867 15¢ Black, E. Grill



3266 * **15¢ Black, E. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, clear and sharp grill points, Post Office fresh color, detailed impression and full perforations, **Very Fine and rare**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **91** $12,500

Provenance: ***ex-Puliafito***.

THE 15¢ E. GRILL IS AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND THIS WELL-CENTERED WITH ORIGINAL GUM.



3267 o **15¢ Black, E. Grill,** choice margins and centering, deep color, bold strike of circle of wedges cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 2013 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **91** $575

1867 Grilled Issue, F. Grills



3268 * **1¢ Blue, F. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, wonderful centering with nice balanced margins, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1989 and 2001 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $8,000)**.
Scott No. **92** $2,800

AN OUTSTANDING GEM AND ONE OF THE FINEST MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES.

This is one of two examples to receive this desirable grade, with only two others graded higher at "95".



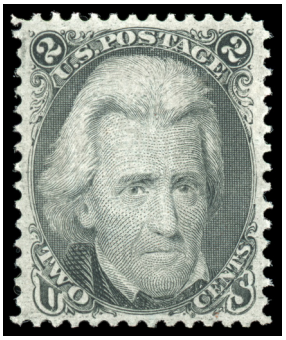
3269 o **1¢ Blue, F. Grill,** lovely socked-on-the-nose **fancy Petal** cancel, beautifully centered with large margins, fresh vivid shade, full perforations, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2011 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **92** $425

A WONDERFUL GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1868 1¢ F. GRILL COMPLEMENTED BY THIS ATTRACTIVE FANCY CANCELLATION.



3270 o **1¢ Pale Blue, F. Grill,** indistinct town cancel, well centered, pretty pastel color, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1987 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **92a** $400

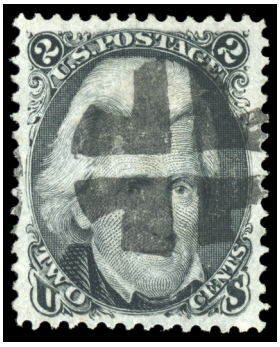
Provenance: ***ex-Koppersmith***.



3271 * **2¢ Black, F. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, outstanding centering within large margins, Post Office fresh color, with detailed impression and grill, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1998 & 2007 P.F. certificates **Graded (XF 90, SSV $1,750)**.
Scott No. **93** $450

THIS IS THE FINEST MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 1868 2¢ BLACK JACK F. GRILL WE HAVE EVER OFFERED. A WONDERFUL GEM WHICH MUST BE SEEN TO BE FULLY APPRECIATED.

After a quick review of the known mint examples with original gum, there are only 3 or 4 that are in this gem condition. By way of comparison, the P.S.E. has graded only two higher in the graded of "95".



3272 o **2¢ Black, F. Grill,** gorgeous centering with large even margins, bright fresh color and sharp impression, neat **Crossroads** cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 2000 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $1,800)**.
Scott No. **93** $55

A WONDERFUL GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1867 2¢ BLACK JACK F. GRILL, GRADED XF-SUPERB 95 BY THE P.S.E. ONLY SIX EXAMPLES ARE GRADED HIGHER.



3273 o **2¢ Black, F. Grill, Split Grill,** socked-on-the-nose **red Hollow Star** cancel, well centered, trivial corner crease, **Extremely Fine appearance, an attractive stamp with this fancy cancellation**; with 2006 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **93 var.** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

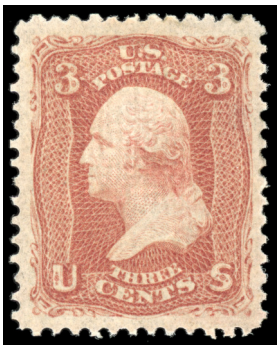


3274 o **2¢ Black, F. Grill,** outstanding centering in nice even margins, sharp impression on fresh paper, beautifully struck **blue target** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem.**
Scott No. **93** $63



3275 o **2¢ Black, F. Grill,** choice centering with large margins, bright fresh color, **deep blue** cork & matching partial town cancels, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **93** $63

Provenance: ***ex-Sheriff and Zoellner***.



3276 * **3¢ Red, F. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, beautifully centered with huge margins, bright Post Office fresh color and sharp impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2007 P.F. certificate **Graded (VF-XF 85)**.
Scott No. **94** $350

A GORGEOUS GEM WHICH CERTAINLY DESERVES A GRADE OF "XF 90" WITH THE JUMBO DESIGNATION.







3277 o **3¢ Red, F. Grill,** well centered, deep shade, full socked-on-the-nose strike of **Negative "OK"** cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 1992 & 2014 P.F. certificates. Skinner-Eno No. LC-OK 29.
Scott No. **94** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris & "Golden Oak"***.

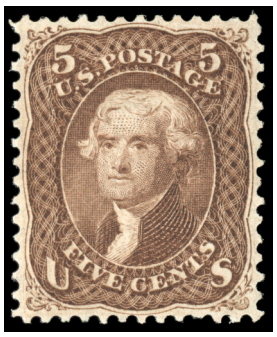
A GORGEOUS STAMP WITH THIS FANCY CANCELLATION SOCKED-ON-THE-NOSE.

3278 o **3¢ Red, F. Grill,** huge jumbo margins, rich color, light target cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***a one-in-a-million gem***; with 1993 P.F. & 2022 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **94** $13

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

3279 o **3¢ Rose Red, F. Grill, Very Thin Paper,** beautifully centered within huge jumbo margins, vibrant color with detailed impression, large **blue target** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice, an outstanding gem**; with 2003 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **94 var.**. $13

A Stunning Mint 1867 5¢ Brown, F. Grill



3280 * **5¢ Brown, F. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, perfectly centered with vibrant fresh color, wonderful detailed impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1992 & 2007 P.F. certificates **Graded (XF 90, SSV $9,500)**.
Scott No. **95** $3,250

THIS IS AN EXCEPTIONAL EXAMPLE OF THIS RARE 1867 5¢ F. GRILL WITH FULL ORIGINAL GUM AND CERTAINLY RANKS AS ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN.

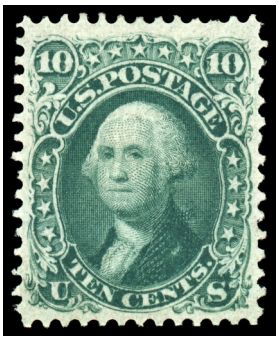
The 1867 5¢ F. Grill is extremely difficult to find in sound, well centered, original gum condition. The narrow spacing between stamps on the plate resulted in stamps that are frequently off center.



3281 o **5¢ Brown, F. Grill,** bold strike of **fancy "K"** cancel of Bristol, R.I., deep rich color, beautiful centering with large margins for this difficult issue, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1991 P.F. certificate. Skinner-Eno No. LS-K 4.
Scott No. **95** $850

Provenance: *ex-Twigg-Smith*.

AN EXCEPTIONAL EXAMPLE OF THE 1867 5¢ F. GRILL STAMP, THIS SCARCE STAMP BOASTS PRECISE CENTERING AND IS FURTHER ENHANCED BY THIS FANCY CANCELLATION, MAKING IT EVEN MORE RARE AND COLLECTIBLE.



3282 * **10¢ Yellow Green, F. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, vibrant fresh color with sharp detailed impression, beautifully centered with large margins, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2001 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **96** $2,500

THIS IS ONE OF THE FINEST ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 1868 10¢ F. GRILL. A SURPRISINGLY DIFFICULT ISSUE TO OBTAIN IN SUCH CHOICE CONDITION.

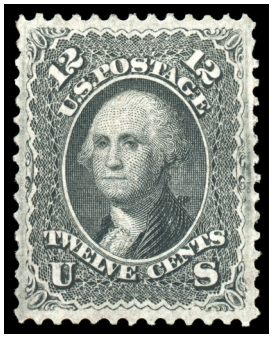


3283 o **10¢ Yellow Green, F. Grill,** well centered with large margins, fresh color with sharp impression, red **New York Paid** foreign office cds, **Extremely Fine, a pretty stamp complimented by this red cancel**; with 1986 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **96** $285



3284 o **10¢ Dark Green, F. Grill, Very Thin Paper,** large even margins, bright color and sharp impression, well struck cork cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem, a scarce example of the thin paper variety**; with 1999 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $800) for normal paper variety**, only 11 stamps graded higher.
Scott No. **96 var.** $270

One of the True Gems of the 1867 Grilled Issues



3285 * **12¢ Black, F. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, attractive shade with detailed impression, incredibly well centered within large margins showing the characteristic plate burrs, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2000 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $12,500)**.
Scott No. **97** $2,800

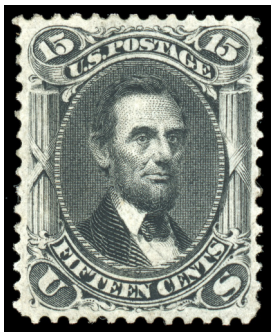
A SUPERB ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1868 12¢ F. GRILL WITH PERFECTLY BALANCED MARGINS. AN EXTRAORDINARY STAMP WHICH SHARES THIS GRADE WITH THREE OTHER EXAMPLES AND NONE GRADED HIGHER.



3286 o **12¢ Black, F. Grill,** beautifully centered within very large even margins, fresh color and detailed impression, black cork cancel and **red London transit** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $2,250)**.
Scott No. **97** $250

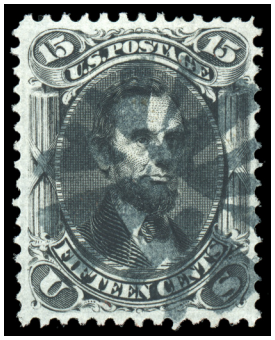
Provenance: ***ex-Lyons***.

AN EXTRAORDINARY EXAMPLE OF THE 1867 12¢ F. GRILL, GRADED XF-SUPERB BY THE P.S.E., WITH ONLY FIVE EXAMPLES GRADED HIGHER.

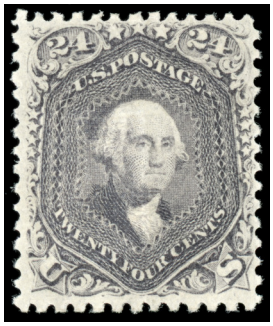


3287 * **15¢ Black, F. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, virtually perfect centering, rich color on bright paper, sharp proof like impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **98** $4,250

ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE 1868 15¢ LINCOLN F. GRILL. THIS STAMP HAS IT ALL, FRESHNESS, DEEP COLOR, CENTERING AND ORIGINAL GUM. CERTAINLY A HIGHLIGHT IN ANY COLLECTION.



3288 o **15¢ Black, F. Grill,** bold cancel, near perfect centering, proof-like impression of fresh paper, **Extremely Fine**; with 2007 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **98** $275



3289 * **24¢ Gray Lilac, F. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, Post Office fresh, rich color and sharp proof like impression, clear grill visible from both front and back of the stamp, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.S.E. & 2000 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **99** $8,500

A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1868 24¢ F. GRILL. A RARE STAMP IN SUCH REMARKABLE CONDITION, AS FRESH AS THE DAY IT WAS PRINTED.



3290 o **24¢ Gray Lilac, F. Grill,** unusually well centered with well balanced margins, detailed clear impression, rich color, quartered cork cancel and red **London transit** at left, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1992, 2003 and 2022 P.F. certificates, the first stating Gray shade and the latter certs stating Gray Lilac.
Scott No. **99** $1,700

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris and Gorham***.

A STUNNING USED EXAMPLE OF THE 24¢ 1868 F. GRILL WHICH IS RARELY FOUND IN THIS SUPERLATIVE CONDITION.

A Wonderful Rare Mint Example of the 1867 30¢ Orange, F. Grill



3291 * **30¢ Orange, F. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, clearly defined grill with all points easily visible, very well centered for this tightly margined issue, Post Office fresh with bright color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; signed Small "W.H.C." (Colson) backstamp, with 2001 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **100** $9,000

THIS IS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE FINEST ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 30¢ F. GRILL IN EXISTENCE. A STUNNING STAMP IN EVERY RESPECT, DISPLAYING OVERALL FRESHNESS OF GUM, COLOR, PAPER, OUTSTANDING CENTERING, AND PROMINENCE OF THE GRILL. ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT OF ALL CLASSIC U.S. STAMPS TO OBTAIN IN SUCH SUPERB CONDITION.

Due to the narrow spacing on the plate, the 30¢ F. Grill is virtually unobtainable in choice condition. The stamp offered here with near perfect centering and balanced margins on all sides, and with color as fresh as the day it was printed, is a true condition rarity.

A careful review of online records produced only a small handful of original gum examples of the 30¢ F. Grill in grades of Very Fine or Extremely Fine. As a point of reference, the P.S.E. has graded a merely two examples with original gum, one grade "50" and one graded "80".



3292 o **30¢ Orange, F. Grill, Double Grill, One Split,** perfectly centered with outstanding margins for this, bright shade, cork cancel, two clear grill impressions, one causing few nibbed perfs at left, **Extremely Fine and very rare variety, listed but unpriced in Scott**; with 1987 & 1996 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **100 var.** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris and Puliafito***.



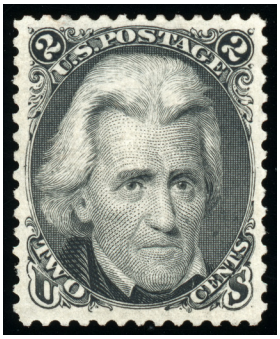
3293 o **90¢ Blue, F. Grill,** beautifully centered with large even margins, deep color and sharp impression, light cancel leaving the entire design unobscured, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1992, 2003 and 2006 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, both the 2006 P.F. & the 2005 P.S.E. certs **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $7,500)**.
Scott No. **101** $2,500

THIS BEAUTIFUL GEM IS ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN EXAMPLES OF THE 1867 90¢ WASHINGTON F. GRILL. ONLY TWO EXAMPLES HAVE BEEN GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.

1875 Re-Issue of the 1861-1866 Issues



3294 * **1¢ Blue, Re-Issue,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered large well balanced margins, bold vivid color and very fresh, **Extremely Fine,** ***a lovely example of the 1¢ Re-Issue***; with 2008 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,600)**.
Scott No. **102** $750



3295 * **2¢ Black, Re-Issue,** o.g., lightly hinged, outstanding centering within large even margins, Post Office fresh color and sharp impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1997 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $7,750)**, only six graded higher, all at "95".
Scott No. **103** $3,500

A SUPERB GEM AND ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THIS RARE 1875 2¢ BLACK JACK RE-ISSUE. FRANKLY THIS LOOK MORE LIKE A "95" THAN A "90" TO US.

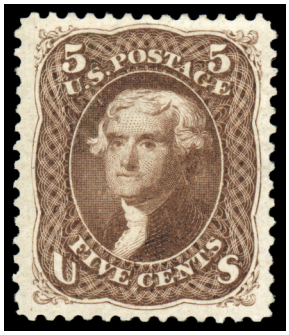
The 2¢ Black Jack Re-Issue can be found with margins, however the vast majority are off center. Very few of the original gum examples can be placed in the same class to which this stamp belongs.

One of the Finest 3¢ Brown Red 1875 Re-Issue



3296 * **3¢ Brown Red, Re-Issue,** o.g., lightly hinged, deep rich color on bright paper, choice centering within well balanced margins, **Extremely Fine and choice,** rare with only 465 sold; with 1983 & 2000 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **104** $3,750

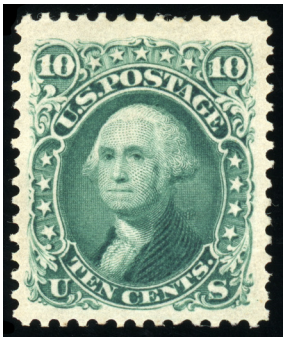
A CHOICE MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 3¢ WASHINGTON RE-ISSUE.



3297 * **5¢ Brown, Re-Issue,** part o.g. (which is virtually full gum), wonderfully centered within large oversized margins, rich deep color enhancing an beautiful proof like impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1993 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **105** $2,500

A GORGEOUS NEAR PERFECT EXAMPLE OF THE 1875 5¢ BROWN, RE-ISSUE.

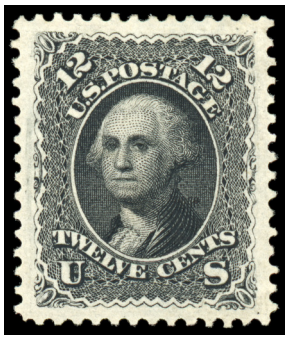
There were 10,000 stamps of the 5¢ Re-Issue printed (100 impressions from the new plate of 100). Only 672 of the 5¢ were issued with the remaining 9,328 destroyed on July 16, 1884.



3298 * **10¢ Green, Re-Issue,** o.g., lightly hinged, choice centering amid wide margins, wonderful deep color on bright fresh paper, **Extremely Fine,** very scarce with only 451 sold; with 1994 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $6,250)**.
Scott No. **106** $2,900

A STUNNING LIGHTLY HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1861 10¢ RE-ISSUE.

A Stunning Mint 12¢ Black 1875 Re-Issue, Graded Superb 98

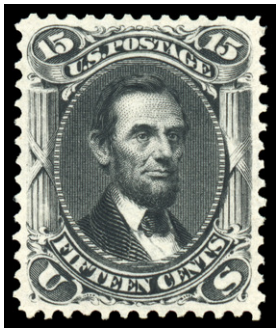


3299 * **12¢ Black, Re-Issue,** o.g., hinged twice, perfect centering within huge even margins, fresh Post Office color, **a Superb gem, *only 389 were sold***; with 1983 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, the latter **Graded (Superb 98, SMQ $18,000)**.
Scott No. **107** $3,750

THIS IS THE FINEST KNOWN EXAMPLE OF THE 1875 12¢ BLACK RE-ISSUE. A REMARKABLE GEM THAT MUST BE SEEN TO FULLY APPRECIATE THIS OUTSTANDING BEAUTY.

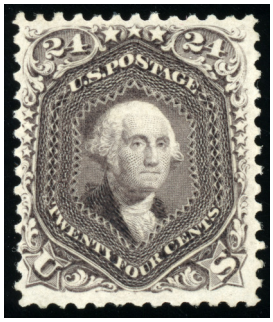
This one of three examples of the 12¢ Re-Issue to receive the Grade Superb 98 by the P.S.E., with no others grading higher. We sold one of the two other known examples in our Sale #68 (Lot 113) and the Dr. Grassi copy is better centered and with larger margins.

A Gem Mint 15¢ Black 1875 Re-Issue

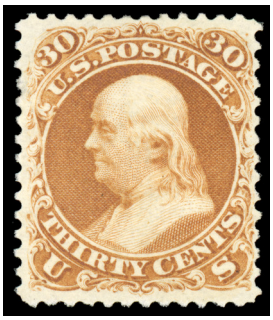


3300 * **15¢ Black, Re-Issue,** o.g., very lightly hinged, deep intense color, beautifully centered amid large even margins, sharp detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. and 2009 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $10,000)**.
Scott No. **108** $4,500

A GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1861-66 RE-ISSUE AND ONE OF ONLY SIX TO ACHIEVE THIS GRADED, WITH NONE GRADED HIGHER.



3301 * **24¢ Dark Violet, Re-Issue,** o.g., lightly hinged (tiny bit of gum loss at bottom right due to hinge removal), gorgeous color and impression with Post Office freshness, **Very Fine and choice,** with only 346 sold; with 1988 & 2002 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **109** $6,000



3302 * **30¢ Brownish Orange, Re-Issue,** o.g., previously hinged, vibrant color, choice centering with perforations clear of design on all four sides, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1992 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **110** $5,750

A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 30¢ 1861 RE-ISSUE. ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT VALUES OF THE SERIES TO OBTAIN IN THIS OUTSTANDING CONDITION.

The 30c Re-Issue was printed from a plate of 200 subjects. 10,000 stamps were printed. Only 346 of the 30¢ were sold; the remaining 9,654 were destroyed on July 16, 1884.

One the Finest Mint 90¢ Blue 1875 Re-Issue



3303 * **90¢ Blue, Re-Issue,** o.g., previously hinged, brilliant color and detailed impression, gorgeous centering within large balanced margins, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1993 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **111** $7,000

AN OUTSTANDING ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 90¢ 1861 RE-ISSUE.

Only 317 examples of the 90¢ Re-Issue were sold; the remaining 9,683 were destroyed on July 16, 1884. The example offered here, with original-gum, sound and well-centered, is a great rarity.

1869 Pictorial Issue



3304 * **1¢ Buff,** o.g., lightly hinged, nicely centered, bright rich color, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **112** $575



3305 o **1¢ Buff,** lovely face free **deep ultramarine** cork cancel, well centered with large margins, deep color, **Extremely Fine and rare**; with 1993 & 2008 P.F. certificates **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **112** $740

A WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF THE 1¢ 1869 WITH THIS RARE AND DISTINCTIVE COLOR CANCELLATION WHICH CARRIES A $600 PREMIUM IN SCOTT.



3306 o **1¢ Buff,** outstanding centering amid huge jumbo margins, bright fresh color, neat, socked-on-the-nose Crossroads cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem with unmatched jumbo margins**; with 2009 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **112** $140



3307 o **1¢ Buff,** virtually perfect centering, sharp impression with bright fresh color, nice strike of New York "Received/Jan 3/1:45 PM" cds, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2002 P.S.E. & 2005 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **112** $140



3308 * **2¢ Brown,** o.g., very lightly hinged, perfectly centered, deep dark color and proof like impression, **an Extremely Fine gem, we can't imagine finding much better than this choice example**; with 1985 & 2002 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **113** $500



3309 o **2¢ Brown,** "**Paid All**" straight line cancel, beautifully centered, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine**; with 2005 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **113** $80



3310 o **2¢ Brown,** intense shade on bright paper, near perfect centering, large margins, blue cancellation, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1987 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **113** $130

A Gem Never Hinged 1869 3¢ Ultramarine



3311 ** **3¢ Ultramarine,** o.g., never hinged, virtually perfect centering, vibrant Post Office fresh color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2007 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **114** $225

A GORGEOUS NEVER HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1869 3¢ LOCOMOTIVE, WHICH IS QUITE SCARCE IN THIS CHOICE CONDITION.







3312 o **3¢ Dark Ultramarine,** huge even margins, bright color, light cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2003 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **114** $19

DESPITE THIS BEING A COMMON STAMP, IT IS A ONE IN A MILLION GEM WHICH IS QUITE RARE IN THIS CHOICE CONDITION.

By way of comparison, the P.S.E. value for a 90J is $800 and a 95J is $2,000. We feel this is more towards the latter grade.

3313 o **3¢ Ultramarine,** lovely single showing **captured imprint at top**, cancelled by **vivid red Letter "M"** handstamp, well centered, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine**; with 1990 & 1992 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **114** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

Provenance: ***ex-Koppersmith and Saadi***.

A WONDERFUL 3¢ 1869 WITH GREAT EYE APPEAL WITH THE COMBINATION OF THE IMPRINT AND COLOR CANCEL.

3314 o **3¢ Ultramarine,** black cross cancel, nicely centered with huge jumbo margins, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine, a lovely stamp with these huge over-sized margins**; with 2003 & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (VF-XF 85J, SMQ $325)**.
Scott No. **114** $18



3315 * **6¢ Ultramarine,** o.g., very lightly hinged, light gum bend (not mentioned on accompanying certificates), beautifully centered with large margins, brilliant color on bright white paper, detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. & 2007 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **115** $2,500

A WONDERFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 6¢ 1869 PICTORIAL. A BEAUTIFUL STAMP IN THIS GORGEOUS POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION.

The 6¢ 1869 stamp is notably scarce in this gem condition, featuring generous margins, bright color and sharp impression, making it one of the most elusive low denomination stamps from this series.



3316 o **6¢ Ultramarine,** brilliant color on bright paper, well centered with huge jumbo margins, neat strike of geometric cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **115** $225

Provenance: *ex-P. Hansen*.



3317 * **10¢ Yellow,** o.g., very lightly hinged, virtually perfect centering, with vibrant fresh color, full perforation and well defined grill, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1985 & 2008 P.F. certificates **Graded (XF 90, SSV $4,500)**.
Scott No. **116** $1,850

A VERY RARE 10¢ 1869 IN THIS OUTSTANDING CONDITION. AFTER REVIEW OF THE OTHER MINT EXAMPLES GRADED 95 OR HIGHER, THIS STAMP COMPARES VERY FAVORABLY.



3318 o **10¢ Yellow,** outstanding centering, deep color, neat rosette and **red German boxed transit** cancels, **Extremely Fine and choice,** ***a scarce item with this foreign cancel***; with 1989 & 2004 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **116** $110

Provenance: ***ex-Saadi***.

A GEM EXAMPLE WITH THESE DECORATIVE CANCELLATIONS.





3319 o **10¢ Yellow,** huge even margins, neat **New York** town cancel, **Extremely Fine, a lovely gem**; with 1989 and 2004 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **116** $110

3320 o **10¢ Yellow,** unusual "**Insufficiently Paid**" straight line cancel, **Very Fine and a scarce cancel rarely found on adhesives**; with 2006 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **116** $110



3321 * **12¢ Green,** o.g., very lightly hinged, well centered with large margins, deep rich color on bright fresh paper, detailed impression and well defined grill, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1991 & 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **117** $1,850

AN OUTSTANDING GEM RARELY FOUND IN THIS WONDERFUL POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION.



3322 o **12¢ Green,** outstanding centering with large even margins, deep color, blue target cancel & red **New York Foreign Mail** transit cancels, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **117** $130



3323 o **12¢ Green,** attractive **5-Point Hollow Star** fancy cancel of New Hamburgh N.Y., attractive margins and centering, tiny tear at right, **lovely Extremely Fine appearance**; with 2004 P.S.E. & 2014 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **117** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

A Very Rare Mint Original Gum 1869 15¢ Brown & Blue, Type I



3324 * **15¢ Brown & Blue, Type I,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered with magnificent rich colors, Post Office fresh on bright paper, the impression is sharp and the grill well defined, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1992 & 2019 P.F. certificates **Graded (VF-XF 85, SSV $13,000)**.
Scott No. **118** $9,000

THIS GEM IS INDEED ONE OF THE FINEST MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE RARE 1869 15¢ TYPE I. THE BEAUTY OF THIS STAMP MUST BE SEEN TO BE FULLY APPRECIATED!

The 15¢ Type I originates from the initial 1869 printing, while the 15¢ Type II emerged in May 1869 when the second frame plate was employed.

As a point of reference, the P.S.E. has graded one sole example in the grade of "85" and only one example higher in the grade of "95".



3325 * **15¢ Brown & Blue, Type II,** o.g., lightly hinged, outstanding centering with radiant rich colors, Post Office fresh on bright paper, the impression is sharp and the grill well defined, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1979 & 2000 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **119** $2,750

THE 15¢ 1869 TYPE II IS VERY RARE IN THIS CHOICE ORIGINAL GUM CONDITION. A SPECTACULAR STAMP AND CERTAINLY ONE OF THE FINEST KNOWN.

Despite the greater availability of Type II stamps (Scott 119) compared to Type I (Scott 118), we've observed that locating them in gem condition is just as challenging. This particular Type II boasts precise centering and full original gum with light hinging, with the vignette aligning perfectly with the frame, a detail that perfectionists will surely admire.

One of the Finest Mint 1869 24¢ Green & Violet



3326 * **24¢ Green & Violet,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, wonderful colors and Post Office freshness, well defined grill, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1984, 1992 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **120** $7,500

A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 24¢ 1869 PICTORIAL ISSUE. A RARE STAMP IN THIS OUTSTANDING CONDITION.



3327 o **24¢ Green & Violet,** large even margins & choice centering, wonderful Post Office fresh colors, **vivid red cork** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2015 P.F. certificate, **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **120** $1,150

Provenance: ***ex-Myerson***.

A STUNNING EXAMPLE OF THE 24¢ 1869 ISSUE WITH A "PAINT RED" CANCEL, WHOSE BEAUTY IS A SIGHT TO BEHOLD.

Typically, United States classic issues command a premium when they bear red cancels. Nevertheless, the nearly twofold premium for a red-cancellation on the 24¢ 1869 bicolor underscores its significant appeal.



3328 * **30¢ Ultramarine & Carmine,** o.g., barest trace of hinging, wonderful fresh rich colors, **Very Fine**; with 1992 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **121** $4,000

AN OUTSTANDING MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 30¢ 1869 IN THIS POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION WITH ORIGINAL GUM WHICH IS EQUALLY FRESH.



3329 o **30¢ Ultramarine & Carmine,** neat **Circle of Wedges** cancels, near perfect centering with huge even margins, vivid colors, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1997 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **121** $375

THIS 30¢ 1869 ISSUE STAMP STANDS OUT AS AN EXCEPTIONAL SPECIMEN, SHOWCASING IMPECCABLE COLOR, A DISTINCTIVE CANCELLATION, PRECISE CENTERING, AND COMPLETE PERFORATIONS, ALL OF WHICH COMBINE TO CREATE A TRULY STUNNING GEM.



3330 * **90¢ Carmine & Black,** o.g., barest trace of hinge (which almost looks never hinged), wonderful deep and rich colors, large margins with choice centering on bright paper, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1990 & 2002 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **122** $11,000

A MAGNIFICENT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 90¢ 1869 PICTORIAL ISSUE, WITH EXCEPTIONAL COLOR, LARGE MARGINS AND POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION.

The 90¢ 1869 Pictorial stamp has been long treasured by collectors for its exquisite engraving and the dignified portrayal of Abraham Lincoln. Nevertheless, collectors have faced frustration in their pursuit of prime specimens from this issue. Given the considerable high value of 90¢ in 1869, only a limited number of unused stamps were preserved for future collectors. The stamp presented here, boasting full original gum, rich color, and choice centering, likely ranks amongst the finest surviving unused 90¢ 1869 stamps.

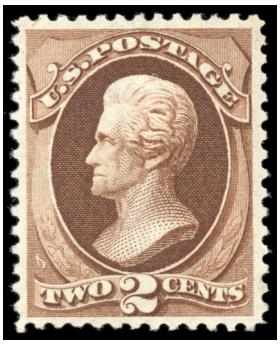
1870-1871 National Bank Note Co. Issue, Grilled



3331 * **1870, 1¢ Ultramarine, H. Grill,** slightly disturbed o.g. from hinge removal, bright color on fresh paper, **Very Fine, a choice mint 1¢ Bank Note Grill issue**; with 1999 & 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **134** $2,000



3332 o **1870, 1¢ Ultramarine, H. Grill,** well centered, fresh color and light cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **134** $200



3333 * **1870, 2¢ Red Brown, H. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, magnificent centering, vibrant rich color, strong grill impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999, 2009 & 2012 P.F. certificates, latter two are **Graded (XF 90, SSV $2,250)**.
Scott No. **135** $1,000

AN OUTSTANDING RARITY IN THIS GEM MINT CONDITION. BY WAY OF COMPARISON, THE P.S.E. HAS GRADED ONLY ONE MINT EXAMPLE IN "90" AND ONE IN "95", WITH NONE HIGHER.







3334 o **1870, 2¢ Red Brown, H. Grill,** perfect strike of **New York Foreign Mail Circle of Hearts** cancel (Weiss TR-WU-5A), well centered with large margins, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1992 & 2003 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **135** $80

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris & Kirke***.

3335 o **1870, 2¢ Red Brown, H. Grill,** part strike of **Maltese Cross** cancel, nicely centered, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine and choice.**
Scott No. **135** $80

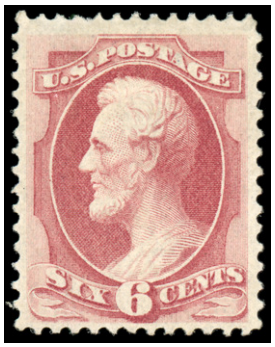
Provenance: ***ex-Zoellner and Twigg-Smith***.

3336 * **1870, 3¢ Green, H. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged (which appears n.h.), wonderful centering with large margins, bright Post Office fresh color with nice grill impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1995 & 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **136** $575

Provenance: ***ex-Zoellner***.

AN OUTSTANDING MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 3¢ BANK NOTE GRILL IN NEAR PERFECT CONDITION.

As a point of reference, the P.S.E. has graded only three examples in "90" and one in "98", with none higher.



3337 * **1870, 6¢ Carmine, H. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, outstanding color and Post Office freshness, wonderful centering and full perforations, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **137** $5,000

Provenance: ***ex-Puliafito***.

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE WELL CENTERED ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 6¢ GRILLED BANK NOTE ISSUE.



3338 o **1870, 6¢ Carmine, H. Grill,** bold **Crossroads** cancel in blue, remarkably well centered with large margins, rich color, strong grill, **Extremely Fine**; with 1991 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **137** $425

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

AN OUTSTANDING 1870 6¢ GRILLED ISSUE FROM THE FABLED DR. MORRIS COLLECTION.



3339 * **1871, 7¢ Vermilion, H. Grill,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautiful centering, bright fresh color, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 1996 & 2008 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **138** $4,250

A WONDERFUL MINT EXAMPLE WITH FULL ORIGINAL GUM, WHICH IS RARELY FOUND IN THIS CHOICE CONDITION.



3340 o **1871, 7¢ Vermilion, H. Grill,** bold fancy **blue negative "A"** cancel, well centered, rich vibrant color, **Extremely Fine and choice, a lovely stamp with this blue cancellation**; with 1991 P.F. & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,100)**.
Scott No. **138** $525

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



3341 o **1871, 7¢ Vermilion, Split H. Grill,** well centered large margins, clear horizontal split grill, neat **Circle of Wedges** cancel in blue, **Extremely Fine**; with 1994 A.P.S. & 1997 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **138 var.** $550

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A SCARCE BANK NOTE GRILL VARIETY IN UNUSUALLY CHOICE CONDITION.



3342 * **1870, 10¢ Brown, H. Grill,** o.g., very lightly hinged, nice centering, intense rich color, natural fiber inclusion (visible on reverse only), **F.-V.F.**; with 1976, 2006 P.F. & 1996, 2006 P.S.E. certificates, last **Graded (F 70)**.
Scott No. **139** $7,500

A LOVELY AND RARE MINT EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 10¢ H. GRILL BANK NOTE WITH ONLY ONE EXAMPLE GRADED HIGHER.

The numeric graded does not do this stamp justice, the last time this stamp was sold at auction, it was described as, "Extremely Fine Example of the 10-Cent 1870 National Grilled Issue with Original Gum and Unusually Choice Centering." (Siegel Sale #829, Lot 368)

It is interesting to note that only two original gum examples have been graded by the P.S.E., this stamp and one other (85 J).





3343 o **1870, 10¢ Brown, H. Grill,** magnificent centering and margins, bright color, bold **Crossroads** cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 1978 and 1996 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **139** $800

Provenance: *ex-V. Morris*.

A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THIS 1870 10¢ H. GRILL WHICH IS VERY RARE IN THIS GEM CONDITION.

3344 o **1870, 10¢ Brown, H. Grill,** attractive **red cork** cancel, near perfect centering with wide margins, bright deep color, well defined grill, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2003 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **139** $800

A STUNNING EXAMPLE OF THIS 1870 10¢ H. GRILL COMPLIMENTED BY THE RED CANCELLATION.



3345 o **1870, 12¢ Dull Violet, H. Grill,** light cork cancel, near perfect centering, particularly nice color for this tough stamp, **an Extremely Fine gem**; signed J.M. Bartels in pencil, with 1975, 1989 & 2006 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **140** $3,750

A GORGEOUS USED EXAMPLE OF THIS RARE 1870 12¢ GRILLED BANK NOTE.



3346 ** **1870, 15¢ Orange, H. Grill,** original gum, vibrant color, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **141** $7,500

A RARE EXAMPLE OF THE 15¢ NATIONAL GRILLED ISSUE WITH ORIGINAL GUM.



3347 o **1870, 15¢ Orange, H. Grill,** vibrant color, choice centering for this difficult issue, **red cork** cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 1968 and 2013 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **141** $1,500

Provenance: *ex-Myerson*.

AN EXCEPTIONAL USED EXAMPLE OF THE 15¢ 1870 NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY GRILLED ISSUE WITH A HANDSOME RED CANCELLATION.

A Gem Example of the Rare 1870, 24¢ Purple, H. Grill



3348 o **1870, 24¢ Purple, H. Grill,** light transparent segmented cork cancel leaving the portrait visible, strong color and impression, outstanding centering amid large margins, clear easily discernible grill impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1997 & 2022 P.F. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90 XQ), denoting Extraordinary Quality**.
Scott No. **142** $6,500

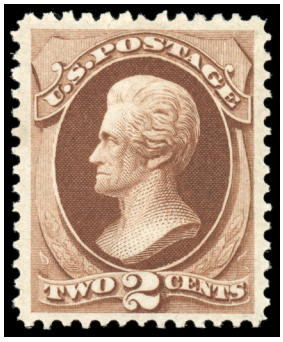
Provenance: ***ex-Parsons***.

A STUNNING AND RARE USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 24¢ BANK NOTE GRILLED ISSUE - WHICH IS PERHAPS THE FINEST EXTANT.

The 24¢ Grilled Bank Note is not known in unused condition, making it imperative for collectors aiming to complete their set Bank Note Grills to acquire this stamp in used condition. This specimen, characterized by its fresh color, distinct grill, exceptional centering, and light cancellation, stands as an exquisite example of this rarity in its finest attainable condition.

By way of comparison, the P.S.E. has graded a mere three examples in the grade of "XF 90", with none higher.

A Rare Example of the 1870 2¢ Red Brown, I. Grill



3349 * **1870, 2¢ Red Brown, I. Grill,** original gum, lightly hinged, almost perfectly centered, deep rich color with proof-like impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2009 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90; SMQ $7,500)**.
Scott No. **135A** $2,000

Provenance: *ex-Field*.

A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 2¢ I GRILL. VERY RARE IN SUCH PRISTINE CONDITION.

For some reason there are no original gum, 1870 2¢ I. grills listed in the P.S.E. Population Report, despite the fact that we can find this and two other mint examples with P.S.E. certificates.

Of the mint examples, one is graded VF 80, plus this and one other which are graded XF 90, this being by far the finer of the two.

1870-1871 National Bank Note Co. Issue, Without Grill



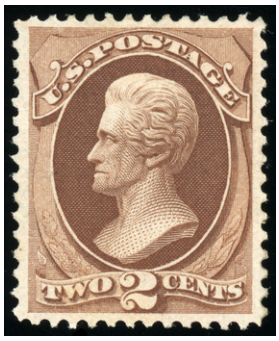
3350 * **1870, 1¢ Ultramarine,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered, rich color on bright white paper, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1998 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $2,000)**.
Scott No. **145** $650

A WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF THIS SCARCE MINT 1¢ BANK NOTE WITH ONLY ONE EXAMPLE GRADED HIGHER IN THE GRADE OF 95.



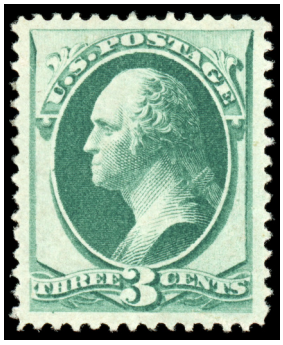
3351 o **1870, 1¢ Ultramarine,** postmarked red **New York Paid** cds, perfect centering, bright color, **Extremely Fine and attractive.**
Scott No. **145** $20

A HANDSOME LITTLE GEM IN OUTSTANDING QUALITY WITH THIS RED CANCELLATION.



3352 * **1870, 2¢ Red Brown,** o.g., lightly hinged, perfectly centered with large even margins, wonderful deep color with sharp impression, **Extremely Fine**; with 2000 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **146** $325

AN OUTSTANDING GEM IN THIS SUPERB POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION.



3353 * **1870, 3¢ Green,** o.g., previously hinged, large margins, bright fresh color, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1990 & 2007 P.F. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SSV $950)**.
Scott No. **147** $220



3354 o **1870, 3¢ Green,** well centered & deep color, attractive grid of small diamonds socked-on-the-nose, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **147** . . . . . Estimate $75 - 100



3355 * **1870, 6¢ Carmine,** o.g., lightly hinged, outstanding centering with large balanced margins, vibrant color on fresh paper, **Extremely Fine**; with 2014 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **148** $900

A STUNNING AND IMMACULATE ORIGINAL GUM 1870 6¢ UNGRILLED ISSUE BY THE NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY. THIS STAMP IS PARTICULARLY CHALLENGING TO ACQUIRE IN SUCH EXCELLENT CONDITION.



3356 o **1870, 6¢ Carmine,** rich color on bright paper, large and balanced margins, neat **Crossroads** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2008 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $700)**, with only 5 stamps graded higher.
Scott No. **148** $23

3357 o **1870, 6¢ Carmine,** beautifully centered within huge even margins, crisp color, **blue cork** cancel, **an Extremely Fine jumbo**; with 1991 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **148** $24

Provenance: *ex-Saadi*.

AN ENORMOUS STAMP THAT IS NEVER FOUND WITH MARGINS OF THESE PROPORTIONS.

3358 o **1870, 6¢ Carmine,** large margins, bright color, cancelled by **red Philadelphia "Paid All"** cds, **a Very Fine jumbo**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **148** $23

3359 o **1870, 6¢ Carmine,** cancelled by attractive **ultramarine** cork, nicely centered with bright color, **Very Fine and attractive**; with 2007 P.F. certificate **Graded VF 80**.
Scott No. **148** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

Despite the modest Scott premium for this color cancellation, it is quite rare to find in this vibrant shade.



3360 * **1871, 7¢ Vermilion,** o.g., very lightly hinged, nicely centered with large margins, vibrant bright color and sharp proof-like impression, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **149** $900

A VERY TOUGH STAMP TO FIND IN THE POST OFFICE CONDITION AND LIGHTLY HINGED ORIGINAL GUM.



3361 o **1871, 7¢ Vermilion,** beautiful centering, radiant color nicely complemented by perfect strike of **blue 4-ring target cancel** of Cincinnati O., **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1993 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **149** $100

A MARVELOUS GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1871 7¢ BANK NOTE WITH THIS SUPERB CANCELLATION.



3362 o **1871, 7¢ Vermilion,** virtually perfect centering, outstanding rich color, light **San Francisco** postmark, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1986, 2005 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, last **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $550)**.
Scott No. **149** $100

Why this marvelous stamp doesn't grade higher is a mystery to us.



3363 o **1871, 7¢ Vermilion,** well centered, deep fresh color, cancelled by handsome fancy **rosette**, **Extremely Fine, *a lovely stamp with this fancy cancellation***; with 2003 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **149** $100

Provenance: *ex-Kirke*.



3364 o **1871, 7¢ Vermilion,** beautifully centered and deep color, cancelled by **lovely blue target cancel & cds of Cincinnati, O.**, **Extremely Fine, a pretty stamp and cancel**; with 2009 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **149** $102



3365 * **1870, 10¢ Brown,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, deep color with detailed impression, long, full perforations all around and choice Post Office freshness, **Extremely Fine**; with 1994 P.S.E. & 2004 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **150** $2,000

A SUPERB ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 10¢ NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY UNGRILLED ISSUE. A VERY DIFFICULT STAMP TO ACQUIRE IN THIS CHOICE CONDITION.

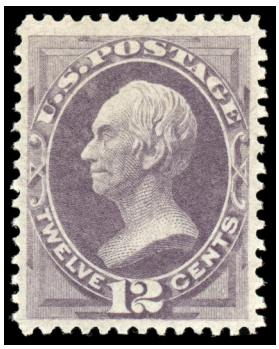


3366 o **1870, 10¢ Brown,** perfectly centered amid huge even margins, rich color with detailed impression, cancelled by beautifully struck **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss ST-8P11) socked-on-the-nose, **Superb**; with 2012 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded Gem 100 Jumbo, unpriced in the SMQ**.
Scott No. **150** $35

A STUNNING GEM IN PERFECT CONDITION WITH THIS GORGEOUS NEW YORK FOREIGN MAIL CANCELLATIONS.

This is the highest graded and sole example in the ultimate grade of Gem 100 Jumbo. There are no others graded 100 or 100J. The SMQ value for Grade of 100 is $2,750 and is not valued for Gem 100J.

By way of comparison, the next highest graded example (98J), sold in 2020 for $1700 hammer (Siegel Sale #1219, Lot 359), versus an SMQ value of $975 for a 98, unpriced for a 98J.



3367 * **1870, 12¢ Dull Violet,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered amid four large margins, bright paper and Post Office freshness, pretty pastel color and detailed impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1994 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **151** $2,850

AN GEM EXAMPLE IN EVERY RESPECT FEATURING OUTSTANDING GUM, CENTERING, MARGINS, COLOR AND IMPRESSION. IT STANDS AS ONE OF THE MOST EXCEPTIONAL SPECIMENS FROM THE 1870 12¢ NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE THAT EXISTS.



3368 o **1870, 12¢ Dull Violet,** beautifully centered, deep rich color on bright paper, lovely **red crossroads** cancel, **Extremely Fine, lovely gem**; with 2021 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **151** $200

Provenance: ***ex-Myerson***.



3369 * **1870, 15¢ Bright Orange,** o.g., relatively light hinging, vibrant color, outstanding choice centering, **Extremely Fine**; with 1993 & 2007 P.F. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SSV6,750)**.
Scott No. **152** $3,500

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.

A STUNNING, UNGRILLED 1870 15¢ NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE WITH PRISTINE ORIGINAL GUM. ITS EXCEPTIONAL COLOR AND REMARKABLE CENTERING MAKE IT A RARE AND BEAUTIFUL GEM.



3370 o **1870, 15¢ Bright Orange,** gorgeous vibrant color as fresh as the day it was printed on pristine paper, impeccable centering and well balanced margins, enhanced by a lovely **red New York Foreign Exchange** postmark, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1988 P.S.E. & 2010 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **152** $240

Provenance: ***ex-"N. Grace"***.

THIS REPRESENTS AN EXCEPTIONAL USED SPECIMEN OF THE 1870 15¢ NATIONAL BANK NOTE COMPANY UNGRILLED ISSUE. ACQUIRING SUCH AN EXAMPLE IN THIS REMARKABLE CONDITION IS A CHALLENGING FEAT.



3371 o **1870, 15¢ Bright Orange,** extra wide jumbo margins and well centered, red cork cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 2016 P.F. & 2022 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90 Jumbo, SMQ $1,100)**.
Scott No. **152** $210

A VERY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FINE IN THIS CHOICE CONDITION. ONLY ONE EXAMPLE IS RECORDED IN THIS GRADE BY THE P.S.E. - WITH ONLY THREE GRADED HIGHER.



3372 o **1870, 15¢ Bright Orange,** well centered, neat **Negative Triangle** cancel, **Very Fine and attractive,** a lovely item with this unusual cancel; with 1998 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **152** $225



3373 * **1870, 24¢ Purple,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, beautiful bright color which is rarely found on this issue, **Extremely Fine**; with 1977 & 2002 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **153** $1,700

AN OUTSTANDING ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 24¢ NATIONAL BANK NOTE CO. UNGRILLED ISSUE WITH UNMATCHED POST OFFICE COLOR AND FRESHNESS.



3374 o **1870, 24¢ Purple,** virtually perfect centering with large even margins, cancelled by gorgeous strike of red **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss TR-W5), **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1983, 2003 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, last **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $950**).
Scott No. **153** $240

Provenance: *ex-Kirke*.

AN OUTSTANDING GEM EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 24¢ UNGRILLED BANK NOTE WITH THIS HANDSOME NEW YORK FOREIGN MAIL CANCEL.

Only two examples are graded higher, however it is doubtful that either have the wonderful eye appeal that this stamp possesses.



3375 o **1870, 24¢ Purple,** beautifully centered with large margins, bright color, cancelled by fancy **Star in Circle** & light town cds, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **153** $225

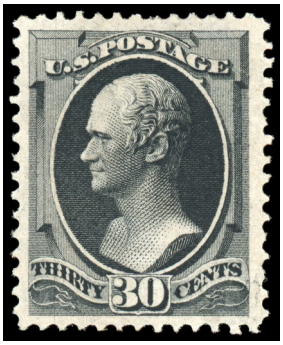


3376 o **1870, 24¢ Purple,** bright color, cancelled by perfect strike of **red New York Foreign Mail Star** cancel (Weiss ST-8P1) socked-on-the-nose, **Extremely Fine and choice, a beautiful stamp and cancel**; with 1988 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **153** $240

Provenance: ***ex-Newbury, Senchuk and Ryterband***.



3377 o **1870, 24¢ Purple,** well centered, bright color, light strike of **Crossroads** cancel, **Extremely Fine**; with 2002 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $500)**.
Scott No. **153** $225



3378 * **1870, 30¢ Black,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered with unusually large margins, deep rich color, Post Office freshness and detailed impression, one slightly short perf at top (not mentioned on clear certs.), **still Extremely Fine**; with 1989 & 2000 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **154** $7,000

A LOVELY ORIGINAL GUM, LIGHTLY HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 30¢ NATIONAL BANK NOTE UNGRILLED ISSUE. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT OF ALL BANK NOTE ISSUES TO FIND IN SOUND, WELL-CENTERED, ORIGINAL GUM CONDITION.



3379 o **1870, 30¢ Black,** outstanding centering with large even margins, deep fresh color, detailed sharp impression, lovely **face free cancel in red**, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1988, 2008 & 2017 P.F. certificates, last **Graded (XF 90 XQ) denoting Extraordinary Quality**.
Scott No. **154** $350

Provenance: ***ex-Gorham***.

A GORGEOUS USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 30¢ UNGRILLED NATIONAL BANK NOTE ISSUE WITH A BOLD RED CANCEL.



3380 * **1870, 90¢ Carmine,** o.g., lightly hinged (light bend, not mentioned on cert.), well centered with large margins, vibrant Post Office fresh color, detailed impression with full perforations, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **155** $5,000

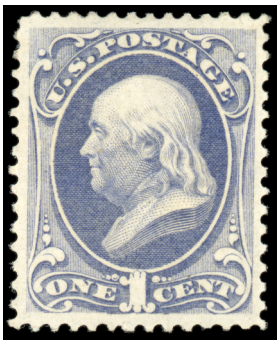
A WONDERFUL ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1870 90¢ UNGRILLED NATIONAL BANK NOTE ISSUE.

Most of the original gum specimens suffer from poor centering. This particular example stands out due to its exceptional centering, vibrant color, generous margins and overall visual appeal.



3381 o **1870, 90¢ Carmine,** nice strike of **rare Registered cds in red**, beautifully centered with nice even margin, deep shade, **Extremely Fine,** ***a lovely stamp with this red Registry circular datestamp***; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **155** $400

1873-1875 Continental Bank Note Co. Issue



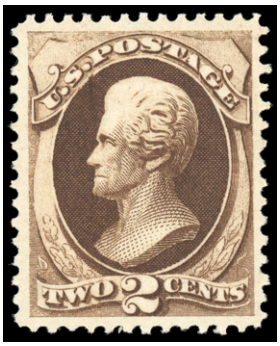
3382 * **1873, 1¢ Ultramarine,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, bright fresh color with detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **156** $200



3383 o **1873, 1¢ Ultramarine,** perfectly centered with large even margins, bright fresh color and all complimented by nice **Crossroads** cancel in blue, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2007 P.S.E. certificate **Graded XF 90 Jumbo**.
Scott No. **156** $6

Provenance: ***ex-"Natalee Grace"***.

AN OUTSTANDING GEM EXAMPLE WHOSE BEAUTY CAN NOT BE OVERSTATED.



3384 ** **1873, 2¢ Brown,** immaculate o.g., never hinged, well centered, deep color with detailed impression, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **157** $325

AN OUTSTANDING MINT NEVER HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1873 2¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE STAMP WHICH IS VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND IN THIS GEM CONDITION.



3385 * **1873, 2¢ Dark Brown,** o.g., very lightly hinged, well centered, deep color with sharp impression, tiny perf tear at top right, **otherwise Very Fine, a nice example of this distinct shade**; with 1983 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **157** $325



3386 o **1873, 2¢ Brown,** outstanding centering, sharp impression, very light cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2006 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $300)**, with only four graded higher.
Scott No. **157** $25



3387 ** **1873, 3¢ Green,** o.g., never hinged, outstanding center and color, detailed impression with Post Office freshness, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1998 P.F. & 2007 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **158** . . . . . $110 for hinged

A MAGNIFICENT STAMP RARELY FOUND IN THIS NEVER HINGED GEM CONDITION.



3388 o **1873, 3¢ Green,** cancelled by bold **Numeral "100" of Waterbury, Ct.** (Rohloff N-5), virtually perfect centering with balanced margins, fresh color, **Extremely Fine**; with 2001 & 2015 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **158** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Provenance: *ex-Morton.*

A GORGEOUS EXAMPLE OF THE 1873 3¢ BANK NOTE WITH THIS RARE WATERBURY, CT. FANCY CANCELLATION.



3389 * **1873, 3¢ Green, Grilled,** o.g., very lightly hinged, near perfect centering with large even margins, bright Post Office fresh color and strong grill impression, **Extremely Fine and rare, a gorgeous example of this seldom seen grill variety**; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **158e** $550



3390 * **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink,** o.g., very lightly hinged, near perfect centering, outstanding color and freshness, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1992 & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **159** $375

A TRUE GEM IN TERMS OF GUM, CENTERING AND OVERALL POST OFFICE FRESH CONDITION - A BEAUTY TO BEHOLD.



3391 o **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink,** beautifully centered with large even margins, bright color, cancelled by lovely strike **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss ST-MP4) socked-on-the-nose, **Extremely Fine, a lovely stamp with great eye appeal**; with 2010 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **159** $18



3392 o **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink,** outstanding centering, bright fresh color, cancelled by **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss GE-C7), **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2001 A.P.S. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $325)**.
Scott No. **159** $18

A VERY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN THIS GEM CONDITION - ONLY FOUR EXAMPLES GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.



3393 o **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink,** huge jumbo margins, lovely pastel color, cancelled by **8 Pedal Rosette** socked-on-the-nose, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2012 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **159** $18





3394 o **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink,** rich color, bold strike of **Negative Numeral "20" in Octagon** (Weiss ST-8P5) fancy cancel and part of town cancel at bottom, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2012 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **159** $18

Provenance: ***ex-Gorham***.

AN EXCEPTIONAL STRIKE AND A HANDSOME STAMP IN EVERY POSSIBLE ASPECT.

3395 o **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink, Ribbed Paper,** wide margins, bright rich color, neat duplex cancel, **Very Fine, a lovely example of this scarce paper variety**; with 2004 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **159 var.** $60



3396 o **1873, 6¢ Dull Pink,** horizontal strip of 3, cancelled by two beautiful strikes of **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss ST-MP3) socked-on-the-nose, bright fresh color, **Extremely Fine fancy cancels**; with 2012 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **159** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

A GORGEOUS STRIP WITH THESE HANDSOME CANCELLATIONS WHICH IS RARELY FOUND IN THIS CHOICE SOUND CONDITION.



3397 * **1873, 7¢ Orange Vermilion,** o.g., previously hinged, near perfect centering with balanced margins, vivid color and proof-like impression clearly showing the secret marks, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **160** $1,000

A BEAUTIFUL CENTERED EXAMPLE OF THE 1873 7¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE ISSUE - A RARE STAMP IN THIS GEM CONDITION.



3398 o **1873, 7¢ Orange Vermilion,** cancelled by **blue French Entry Marking** and trace of red transit at lower left, beautifully centered, bright color with detailed impression on fresh white paper, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2004 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95)**.
Scott No. **160** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Provenance: ***ex-Kirke, Morton***.

AN OUTSTANDING GEM WHICH IS RARELY FOUND CANCELLED BY A FOREIGN MARKING.



3399 o **1873, 7¢ Orange Vermilion,** well centered within large margins, deep color & impression, cancelled by outstanding strike of **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss ST-MP3) socked-on-the-nose, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1995 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **160** $85



3400 o **1873, 7¢ Orange Vermilion,** choice centering with large even margins, rich color and deep impression, cancelled by two strikes of **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss GE-EN5), **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **160** $85



3401 o **1873, 7¢ Orange Vermilion,** beautifully centered with rich color, cancelled by scarce **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss RE-N6) socked-on-the-nose, **Extremely Fine**; with 1987, 2002 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, last **Graded (VF-XF 85**).
Scott No. **160** . . . . . Estimate $150 - 200

Provenance: ***ex-Kirke***.



3402 o **1873, 7¢ Orange Vermilion,** nicely centered, rich color, cancelled by bold **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss ST-8P4) and portion of red town cancel, **Very Fine and choice**; with 2010 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **160** $85



3403 * **1873, 10¢ Brown,** o.g., lightly hinged, outstanding centering with unusually wide margins, rich color and proof like impression, long and full perforations, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **161** $800

A GEM ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1873 10¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE.



3404 o **1873, 10¢ Brown,** near perfect centering, deep color and sharp impression, wonderful strike of **New York Foreign Mail** (Weiss ST-MP4) cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2009 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **161**near perfect centering with balanced margins, vivid color and proof-like impression clearly showing the secret marks . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

AN OUTSTANDING STAMP IN GEM CONDITION COMPLIMENTED BY THIS OUTSTANDING CANCELLATION.





3405 o **1873, 10¢ Brown,** nicely centered, sharp detailed impression, rich color, cancelled by **perfect strike of fancy Geometric** similar to those used in New Orleans, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2002 P.F. cert.
Scott No. **161** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

3406 o **1873, 10¢ Brown,** outstanding centering with jumbo margins, rich color, **blue Leaf** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem,** a lovely stamp with this attractive color cancel; with 1997 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **161** $25

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



3407 * **1873, 10¢ Brown, Silk Fiber Paper,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered with immense margins, rich color, sharp proof-like impression on bright fresh paper, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1984 & 1997 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **161 var.** $1,400

Provenance: ***ex-Wingate***.

A REMARKABLE EXAMPLE OF THE 1873 10¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE ISSUE - THIS SILK-PAPER VARIETY IS LIKELY THE FINEST KNOWN.

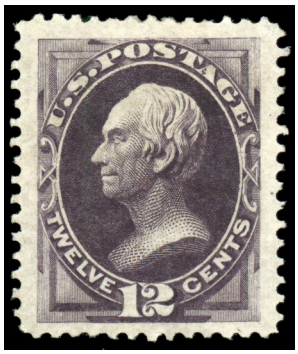
The distinctiveness of this variety lies in the minuscule dark silk fibers dispersed throughout the paper, discernible only under close scrutiny. It is a characteristic shared with various other Continental printings, including the 1875 Issue, but notably absent in the National and American printings. Seasoned and well-informed philatelists will readily recognize and value the rarity of this stamp's paper type and its exceptional condition.



3408 o **1873, 10¢ Brown, Silk Fiber Paper,** beautifully centered with full perforations, rich color complimented by lovely **blue target** cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1990 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **161 var.** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

A GORGEOUS EXAMPLE OF THIS RARE VARIETY WHICH IS RARELY OFFERED IN THE MARKETPLACE.

A Magnificent Jumbo Example of the 1873 12¢ Blackish Violet



3409 * **1873, 12¢ Blackish Violet,** o.g., previously hinged, well centered jumbo margins all around, intensely deep color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1998 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90J, SMQ $8,000)**.
Scott No. **162** $2,200

Provenance: ***ex-Klein & Zoellner***.

A HUGE MARGINED STAMP AND CERTAINLY ONE OF THE FINEST MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 12¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE ISSUE.

THIS IS THE SOLE EXAMPLE TO RECEIVE THIS GRADE WITH NONE GRADED HIGHER.



3410 o **1873, 12¢ Blackish Violet,** beautifully centered, intense color and Post Office freshness, cancelled by attractive **red New York Foreign Mail**, **an Extremely Fine gem, a gorgeous stamp of the utmost beauty**; with 2012 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **162** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400

Provenance: ***ex-Emerson***.



3411 o **1873, 12¢ Blackish Violet,** outstanding centering with large even margins, rich color, detailed impression, cancelled by **blue segmented cork**, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1997 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **162** $135



3412 * **1873, 15¢ Yellow Orange,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered, bright color, **Extremely Fine and rare**; with 1997 P.S.E. & 2007 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **163** $1,900

A STUNNING ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1873 15¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE ISSUE.

The 1873 15¢ Continental Bank Note Issue with excellent centering and vibrant color with original gum are hardly ever found. This stamp possesses all the qualities one could wish for and unquestionably ranks among the finest specimens we have ever offered.



3413 o **1873, 15¢ Yellow Orange,** outstanding centering with large even margins, vibrant color nicely complemented by **ultramarine radial cork** cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2001 P.F., 2005 & 2010 P.S.E. certificates, last two **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $1,200)**.
Scott No. **163** . . . . . Estimate $1,000 - 1,500

Provenance: *ex-Morton*.

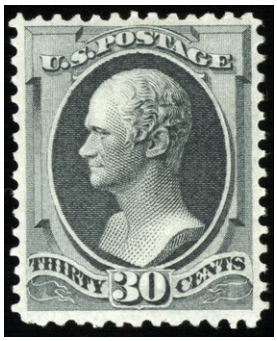
A PHENOMENAL STAMP, ONLY ONE GRADES HIGHER (AT 95J), THE EXAMPLE OFFERED HERE IS THE ONLY EXAMPLE WITH A COLOR CANCELLATION.



3414 o **1873, 15¢ Yellow Orange,** cancelled by attractive **Shaded Star** socked-on-the-nose, well centered, rich color, **Extremely Fine, a unique item with this stunning cancellation**; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **163** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750



3415 o **1873, 15¢ Yellow Orange,** virtually perfect centering, vibrant rich color, neat **segmented cork** cancel socked-on-the-nose, **an Extremely Fine gem, a very difficult stamp to fine in this choice condition**; with 1996 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **163** $150



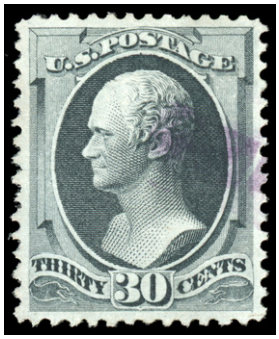
3416 * **1873, 30¢ Gray Black,** o.g., very lightly hinged, well centered with outstanding impression on fresh paper, **fresh & Extremely Fine**; with 1993 P.F. & P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **165** $3,750

ONE OF THE FINEST ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 1873 30¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE ISSUE, DISPLAYING SOFT CHARCOAL GRAY SHADE WITH A GREENISH CAST THAT IS CHARACTERISTIC OF THE CONTINENTAL PRINTING.



3417 o **1873, 30¢ Gray Black,** outstanding centering with well proportioned margins, crisp shade which is beautifully complemented by **blue Cincinnati, O. cds** socked-on-the-nose, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2007 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90)**.
Scott No. **165** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

A VERY PRETTY STAMP WHOSE BEAUTY CAN NOT BE CAPTURED BY A NUMERIC GRADE WHICH IS BASED SOLELY ON CENTERING.



3418 o **1873, 30¢ Gray Black,** beautifully centered, lovely color on fresh paper, light cancel in **purple**, **Extremely Fine and choice, a lovely stamp particularly with this scarce purple cancel.**
Scott No. **165** $145

A Stunning Mint Example of the 1873 90¢ Rose Carmine, Graded XF-Superb 95 by the P.S.E.



3419 * **1873, 90¢ Rose Carmine,** o.g., lightly hinged, perfect centering with large even margins, vibrant color, sharp impression and Post Office freshness, **a Superb gem**; with 1982, 1998 P.F. & 2009 P.S.E. certificates, last **Graded XF-Superb 95, SMQ $7,500**.
Scott No. **166** $2,100

THIS IS ONE OF THE FINEST MINT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 1873 90¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE IN EXISTENCE - A STAMP OF UNMATCHED BEAUTY.

We do not understand why this gem with perfect centering, gum, color and impression did not receive the grade of Superb 98. We have reviewed the four stamps which are graded higher, one graded 95J, two graded 98 and one 98J. The 98J example has disturbed gum and this example is on a par with the two graded 98 examples. Images of the two others, Graded 98 can be found on our website.



3420 o **1873, 90¢ Rose Carmine,** well centered, fresh color with attractive **purple** cork cancel, **Extremely Fine and a scarce color cancellation**; with 1992 & 1996 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **166** $365

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



3421 * **1875, 2¢ Vermilion,** o.g., lightly hinged, gorgeous centering with large margins, bright color with detailed impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $675)**.
Scott No. **178** $325

AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THIS 1875 2¢ VERMILION BANK NOTE WITH ONLY ONE OTHER WHICH SHARES THIS GRADE AND ONE EXAMPLE GRADED HIGHER (95).



3422 * **1875, 2¢ Vermilion, Grilled,** o.g., very lightly hinged, perfectly centered with pronounced grill, deep color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1995 & 2008 P.F. certificates, latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95)**.
Scott No. **178c** $1,200

AN EXTREMELY RARE ORIGINAL GUM 1875 2¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE WITH GRILL.

These experimental grills are very rare with only a handful in existence today. As a point of reference, both the P.F. and the P.S.E. have graded one sole example each. The P.S.E. in VG 50 and the P.F. this outstanding single in XF-Superb 95.



3423 * **1875, 5¢ Blue,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered with large margins, bright color and Post Office freshness, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2002 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $1,350)**.
Scott No. **179** $700

A GORGEOUS ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1875 5¢ TAYLOR BANK NOTE. A VERY RARE STAMP IN THIS CONDITION WITH ONLY THREE EXAMPLES GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.

The 1875 printing, Scott 179, is much more difficult to find in this gem condition than its 1879 counterpart, Scott 185, which is more readily available.



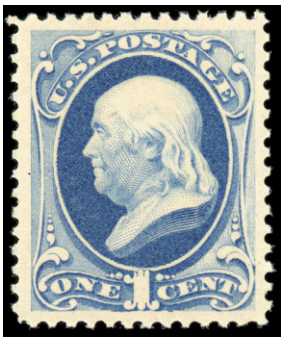
3424 * **1875, 5¢ Blue, Grilled,** o.g., lightly hinged, deep rich color, nice centering, very strong grill impression which causes a few tiny paper breaks (not mentioned on certificate since this is a normal occurrence for these grills), **Very Fine and attractive**; with 1992 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **179c** $9,500

Provenance: *ex-Zoellner*.

A RARE ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1875 5¢ CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE WITH GRILL.

It is thought that the Continental grills were produced as an experiment in 1876, following a stamp-cleaning court trial that reignited concerns about stamp re-use. The rare J Grills are mainly from the Worthington collection, which was sold in 1917. It is widely believed that the majority, if not all, of the examples in the possession of collectors originated from the archives of Charles F. Steel, who held the patent for the grilling machines utilized from 1867 to 1873.

1879 American Bank Note Co. Issue



3425 ** **1879, 1¢ Dark Ultramarine,** o.g., never hinged, outstanding centering with large margins, beautiful color, Post Office freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2015 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90 XQ) denoting Extraordinary Quality**.
Scott No. **182** $675

Provenance: ***ex-Field***.

A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1879 1¢ AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE.



3426 o **1879, 1¢ Dark Ultramarine,** cancelled by bold strike of **Fancy Shield** of Worcester, Mass. socked-on-the-nose, bright color, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1997 & 2009 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **182** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



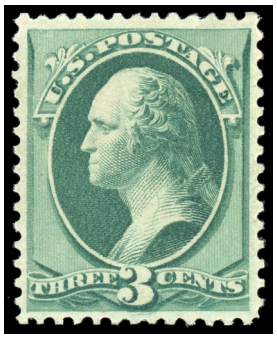
3427 ** **1879, 2¢ Vermilion,** o.g., never hinged, beautiful centering with Jumbo margins, radiant color as fresh as the day it was printed, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2010 P.S.E. certificate, **Graded (XF-Superb 95 Jumbo, SMQ $3,500)**.
Scott No. **183** $370

A SUPERB MINT NEVER HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 2¢ VERMILION BANK NOTE GRADED XF-SUPERB 95 JUMBO BY P.S.E. - ONLY ONE EXAMPLE IS GRADED HIGHER (98).

We are somewhat at a loss as to why the perfect gem did not grade higher.



3428 o **1879, 2¢ Vermilion,** well centered with deep color, perfect strike of **negative numeral "12"** cancel socked-on-the-nose, **Extremely Fine.**
Scott No. **183** $5



3429 * **1879, 3¢ Green,** o.g., lightly hinged, **Very Fine and attractive,** beautifully centered, bright fresh color; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **184** $90



3430 o **1879, 3¢ Green,** gorgeous centering with huge even jumbo margins, deep rich color, fancy **Propeller** cancel socked-on-the-nose, **a Superb gem**; with 2013 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (Superb 98J, SMQ $600)**.
Scott No. **184** . . . . . Estimate $750 - 1,000

Provenance: ***ex-Morton***.

AN UNBELIEVABLE 1879 3¢ BANK NOTE IN PERFECT CONDITION, ONLY THREE GRADE HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.





3431 o **1879, 3¢ Green,** outstanding centering, deep color, cancelled by attractive strike of fancy geometric, **an Extremely Fine gem with a very handsome cancellation**; with 2005 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $125)**.
Scott No. **184** . . . . . Estimate $100 - 150

Provenance: ***ex-Kirke***.

3432 o **1879, 3¢ Green,** outstanding centering with large even margins, bright color, neat numeral "8" in concentric circle cancel, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2003 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90J, SMQ $90)**, **Provenance** ***ex-Kirke***
Scott No. **184** $1



3433 ** **1879, 5¢ Blue,** o.g., never hinged, well centered within huge jumbo margins, bright fresh color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1988 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90J, SMQ $4,250)**.
Scott No. **185** $1,600

AN OUTSTANDING CONDITION RARITY WHICH IS WELL CENTERED WITH JUMBO MARGINS AND POST OFFICE FRESHNESS. THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADED 5¢ TAYLOR ACCORDING TO THE P.S.E. AND THE SOLE EXAMPLE TO ACHIEVE IT.



3434 o **1879, 5¢ Blue,** perfect centering with large even margins, deep shade, perfect strike of **Circle of "V's"** fancy cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem, a gorgeous stamp and cancellation**; with 2005 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $325)**.
Scott No. **185** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3435 * **1879, 6¢ Pink,** o.g., lightly hinged, uncommonly large margins and precise centering, vibrant and crisp color, featuring the distinctive pastel pink hue found in the 1879 American Bank Note Co. soft paper issue, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1998 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **186** $900

A MAGNIFICENT ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 6¢ 1879 AMERICAN BANK NOTE ISSUE.



3436 o **1879, 6¢ Pink,** beautifully centered within huge even margins, fresh color, cancelled by light strike of numeral cancel in concentric circles, **an Extremely Fine jumbo, a one-in-a-million stamp**; with 1993 & 2022 P.S.E. certificates.
Scott No. **186** $23



3437 o **1879, 6¢ Pink,** horizontal pair, cancelled by two strikes of **Fancy Large Shield** of Worcester, Mass., well centered, fresh color, **Very Fine, a lovely pair with this full fancy cancellations**; with 1996 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **186** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3438 * **1879, 10¢ Brown, without Secret Mark,** o.g., lightly hinged, well centered, dark shade, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **187** $3,000

AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN SOUND ORIGINAL GUM CONDITION.



3439 o **1879, 10¢ Brown, without Secret Mark,** beautifully centered with huge jumbo margins, bright color, cancelled by light **New York Registry** oval, **an Extremely Fine gem with enormous margins**; with 2004 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **187** $45



3440 * **1879, 10¢ Brown, with Secret Mark,** o.g., very lightly hinged, well centered within huge margins, deep color with detailed impression, Post Office freshness with full perforations all around, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. & 2007 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $4,000)**, Only five mint stamps graded higher, three hinged and two never hinged.
Scott No. **188** $1,800

AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE 10¢ AMERICAN BANK NOTE WITH SECRET MARK.



3441 o **1879, 10¢ Brown, with Secret Mark,** gorgeous centering with jumbo margins, rich color, cancelled by perfectly struck **fancy Geometric of New Orleans** socked-on-the-nose, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2003 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **188** $30

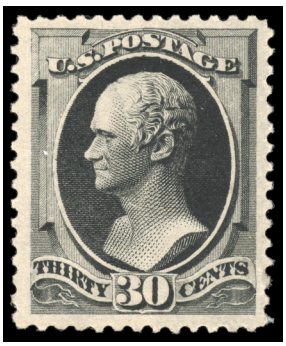


3442 ** **1879, 15¢ Red Orange,** o.g., never hinged, well centered, detailed impression, deep color, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **189** $600



3443 o **1879, 15¢ Red Orange,** beautifully centered with large even margins, fresh color with sharp impression, cancelled by **New York Supplementary** cds, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2003 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90J, SMQ $325)**.
Scott No. **189** $28

Provenance: ***ex-Kirke***.



3444 * **1879, 30¢ Full Black,** o.g., lightly hinged, intense shade and sharp impression, unusually choice centering with wide margins all around, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1979 & 2001 P.F. certificates. Scott No. **190** $850

A OUTSTANDING ORIGINAL GUM EXAMPLE OF THE 1879 30¢ AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE. SCARCE IN SUCH WONDERFUL CONDITION.



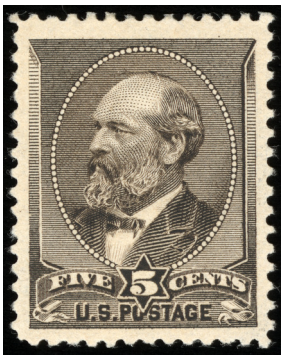
3445 * **1879, 90¢ Carmine,** o.g., previously hinged, well centered, bright color with Post Office freshness and full perforations, **Very Fine and choice,** a wonderful original gum example; with 1971 & 1998 P.F. certificates. Scott No. **191** $2,100

Provenance: ***ex-J.L. Diamond***.

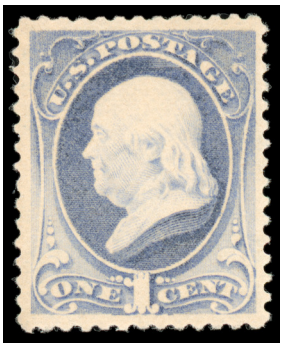


3446 o **1879, 90¢ Carmine,** nicely centered, deep color, cancelled by neat **New York Registry** oval, **Extremely Fine and attractive**; with 2000 P.F. & 2005 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (VF-XF 85, SMQ $700)**. Scott No. **191** $400

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3447 * **1882, 5¢ Yellow Brown,** o.g., lightly hinged, beautifully centered with large jumbo margins, deep color, Post Office freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2002 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **205** $240

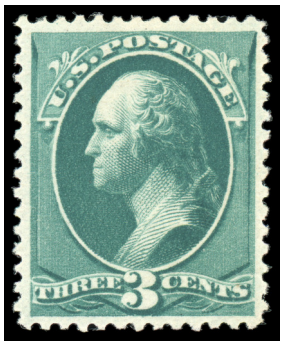


3448 ** **1881, 1¢ Gray Blue,** o.g., never hinged, beautifully centered, bright color, **an Extremely Fine never hinged gem**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **206** $225



3449 o **1881, 1¢ Gray Blue,** neat **Maltese** cross cancel, near perfect centering with in uncommonly large margins, strong bold color, **an Extremely Fine to Superb jumbo**; with 2004 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95J)** & 2021 P.F. certificate **Graded (Superb 98 Jumbo)**, only six graded higher by P.S.E.
Scott No. **206** . . . . . Estimate $500 - 750

Provenance: ***ex-Hinrichs***.



3450 ** **1881, 3¢ Blue Green,** o.g., never hinged (light natural gum bends, not mentioned on cert.), beautifully centered with nice even margins, deep color and Post Office freshness, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **207** $250



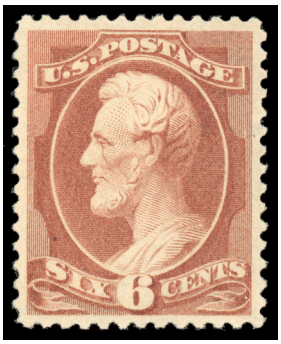
3451 o **1881, 3¢ Blue Green,** perfectly centered with large even margins, fresh color, cancelled by socked-on-the-nose barred oval, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2008 P.S.E. Certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $125)**, only six graded higher.
Scott No. **207** $1



3452 * **1882, 6¢ Rose,** o.g., very lightly hinged, outstanding centering with nice balanced margins, bright color of this lovely pastel shade, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1996 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **208** $825

THE 1882 RE-ENGRAVED 6¢ ROSE IS UNDENIABLY ONE OF THE MOST CHALLENGING STAMPS TO ACQUIRE IN SUCH EXCEPTIONAL CONDITION.

Despite being a prominent Scott listing, the Rose shade is considerably scarcer than the Brown Red sub-shade, Scott 208a. The presented example here, featuring light hinging and impeccable centering, stands as a genuine rarity in terms of condition.



3453 * **1882, 6¢ Deep Brown Red,** o.g., very lightly hinged, perfectly centered, deep rich color, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1999 P.F. & 2017 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF-Superb 95, SMQ $2,200)**.
Scott No. **208a** $600

A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE 1882 6¢ LINCOLN ISSUE WITH ONLY TWO EXAMPLES GRADED HIGHER BY THE P.S.E.



3454 ** **1882, 10¢ Brown,** o.g., never hinged, perfectly centered, intense color and impression, **Extremely Fine, a scarce stamp in this choice never hinged condition**; with 2007 P.S.E. certificate.
Scott No. **209** $475

Provenance: ***ex-Hillmer***.



3455 o **1882, 10¢ Brown,** beautifully centered with massive margins all around, deep rich color, bold strike of target cancel, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2014 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90J)**.
Scott No. **209** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

THIS IS AN ENORMOUS JUMBO EXAMPLE WITHOUT EQUAL FOR WHICH THE NUMERIC GRADE OF 90J DOES NOT REFLECT ITS TRUE RARITY.



3456 ** **1883, 2¢ Red Brown,** o.g., never hinged, beautifully centered with nice even margins, bright color, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1993 P.S.E. & 2007 P.F. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SSV $525)**.
Scott No. **210** $135

A Jumbo Example Which Is One in a Million

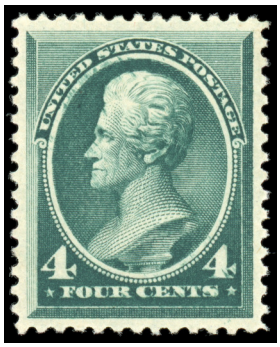


3457 o **1883, 2¢ Red Brown,** beautifully centered with huge even margins, deep rich color, cancelled by bold strike of **Crossroads** socked-on-the-nose, **an Extremely Fine jumbo**; with 2003 P.S.E. certificate **Graded (XF-Superb 95J, SMQ $275)**, with only 8 graded higher.
Scott No. **210** . . . . . Estimate $200 - 300

A STUNNING GEM WHO'S TRUE VALUE IS NOT REFLECTED BY CATALOGUE VALUE OR SMQ VALUE.



3458 o **1883, 2¢ Red Brown,** near perfect centering, cancelled by serrated **Registered** oval, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 2009 P.F. certificate **Graded (XF 90 XQ) denoting Extraordinary Quality**.
Scott No. **210** . . . . . Estimate $50 - 75

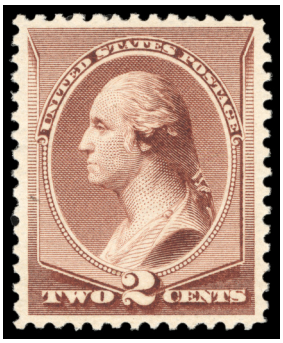


3459 * **1883, 4¢ Blue Green,** o.g., very lightly hinged, outstanding centering, bright color and Post Office freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1994 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **211** $225



3460 o **1883, 4¢ Blue Green,** well centered, deep color, cancelled by bold strike of **Pinwheel**, **Extremely Fine, a lovely stamp and cancel.**
Scott No. **211** $25

1883 Special Printing

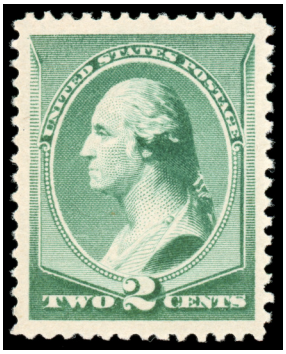


3461 ** **1883, 2¢ Pale Red Brown, Special Printing,** o.g., never hinged, beautiful bright color, perfectly centered, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 1993 P.S.E. & 2004 P.F. certificates.
Scott No. **211B** $1,000

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3462 * **1887, 1¢ Ultramarine,** o.g., barest trace of hinge, beautifully centered with four huge margins, bright Post Office fresh color, **an Extremely Fine gem, a gorgeous stamp**; with 2000 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **212** $90



3463 ** **1887, 2¢ Green,** o.g., never hinged, perfectly centered with huge even margins, bright color, Post Office freshness and detailed impression, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2001 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **213** $120

NO DOUBT THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST EXCEPTIONAL, MINT NEVER-HINGED SPECIMENS FROM THE 1887 2¢ AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY ISSUE.

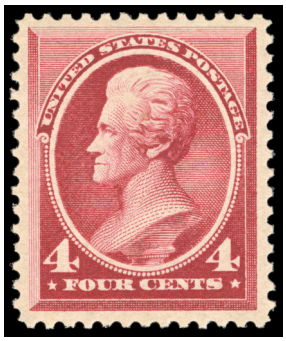
We note that an example Graded 98J was sold at Siegel Auctions in 2019 (Sale 119, Lot 1282) for a hammer price of $6,250. In our opinion, this is a better stamp, as the Siegel copy was off center to the left.



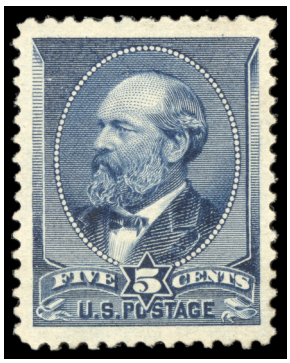
3464 o **1887, 2¢ Green,** outstanding centering with huge jumbo margins, vibrant color, beautiful strike of large barred grid, **an Extremely Fine gem**; with 2013 P.S.E. certificates, **Graded (XF-Superb 95J, SMQ $350)**.
Scott No. **213** . . . . . Estimate $300 - 400



3465 ** **1887, 3¢ Vermilion,** o.g., never hinged, well centered, vivid rich color, Post Office fresh, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **214** $190

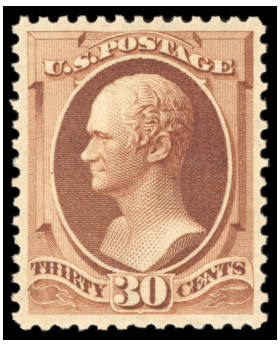


3466 ** **1888, 4¢ Carmine,** o.g., never hinged, well centered, bright color, **Very Fine and choice, a lovely never hinged example**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **215** $525



3467 * **1888, 5¢ Indigo,** slightly disturbed o.g. from hinge removal, beautifully centered with large even margins, vibrant color with Post Office freshness, **an Extremely Fine gem;** with clear 1989 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **216** $210

Provenance: ***ex-V. Morris***.



3468 ** **1888, 30¢ Orange Brown,** o.g., never hinged, beautifully centered, vibrant rich color, Post Office fresh, **Extremely Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. & 2008 P.S.E. certificates, latter **Graded (XF 90, SMQ $2,500)**.
Scott No. **217** $1,075

A RARE STAMP IN THIS GEM NEVER HINGED CONDITION.

A Rare Never Hinged Example of the 1888 90¢ Purple Banknote



3469 ** **1888, 90¢ Purple,** o.g., never hinged, well centered, deep color and impression, exceptional freshness, **Very Fine and choice**; with 1999 P.F. certificate.
Scott No. **218** $2,500

A VERY RARE NEVER HINGED 1888 90¢ BANK NOTE - ONLY A SMALL HANDFUL EXIST IN THIS OUTSTANDING CONDITION.

End of Sale - Thank You

