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## EDITOR'S PREFACE.



HE premature and lamented death of Mr: Gilbert Harrison, on the gth November last, before the completion and publication of this work, is regretted by no one more sincerely than by myself.

Mr. Harrison devoted a great portion of the latter years of his life to the study of the envelopes of the United States, and formed one of the finest collections, if not absolutely the most perfect one, of these envelopes ever gathered together. His unrivalled knowledge of this, one of the most difficult of all branches of Philately, and his splendid perseverance in investigating the most minute details, are worthy of the highest praise. It is not too much to say that his attainments as a philatelist of the countries he specialized amounted to genius of a very exceptional order, and his early death is indeed a sad loss to Philately.

At the time of Mr. Harrison's death he was occupied, amongst other philatelic work, in writing a series of articles on the Nesbitt envelopes of the United States, for publication in the London I'hilutelist. All the plates of illustrations for the papers, fifteen in number, had been prepared after a laborious cost of time and a large expenditure of money. The text part of the work, dealing with and including the reference list of the die varieties of the first 3 cents, 6 cents, and 10 cents envelopes, was also fortunately entirely completed, but the descriptive portion and reference lists of the remaining part of the work was untouched.

Mr. Harrison's family were good enough to entrust me with the care of all the philatelic papers left by their relative, and at Mr. M. P. Castle's request I have undertaken to edit and complete, to the best of my power, the work on the Nesbitt Envelopes.

I am painfully conscious of my inability to do full justice to this very intricate subject, and 1 enter upon my labours with misgivings as to my qualification for the task. It will, however, be my earnest endeavour to
complete the work, as far as possible, in the way in which I know Mr. Harrison would have wished it to appear, and I have had the advantage of making my reference lists of the later issucs from his splendid collection before it left this country for sale by auction in New York.

I would ask critics, both in Europe and America, to be lenient with any shortcomings there may be in the work, but at the same time I shall gladly welcome the correction of any misstatements or errors it may contain.

E. D. Bacon

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1th March, 1895.
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I sHoUld be guilty of gross ingratitude were I not to acknowledge, on behalf of all Philatelists, the obligation I am under to my friend Mr. Bacon for so kindly undertaking to continue and conclude the truly Herculcan task commenced by the late Mr. Gilbert Harrison. Difficult and arduous as is the work, it could have fallen on no more able shoulders, and I am convinced, despite Mr. Bacon's deprecatory assurances, that the result attained will be found to constitute a most valuable accession to the sum of philatelic knowledge as regards the Nesbitt envelopes of the United States.
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is many years now since I determined to become a collector of U'inited States envelopes, and I soon discovered that it was as fascinating a study as any that could be found in Philately. The chicf drawback was the great want of a complete catalogue, most of the lists in existence being full of omissions and errors. Of course this disadvantage is more or less obviated now, with the work by Messrs. Tiffany, llogert, and Rechert, which was promised us almost in the dark ages, and kept us in various stages of expectation for many years. However, in 1892 the new list made its appearance, and must have proved a great boon to the majority of envelope collectors. Later on a review of the work was published in the London Philatilist, and an announcement appeared therein that we British philatelic sportsmen, in appreciation of the efforts of our American cousins, intended to supplement their work, and that at no distant date we should publish in our journal an exhaustive account of the varieties of the Nesbitt dies, with photographic illustrations, without which descriptions would be waste of time.

To a collcetor, who means business in the way of a varicty hunt, and spares neither time nor expense, it is not difficult to get an abundance of the raw material to work at. American friends, collectors and dealers, as well as friends on the Continent and in our own country, responded nobly to my prayers and demands for large quantities of envelopes to examine, many of them sending over their whole stocks, regardess of trouble and risk. The result has been an acquisition of all the varieties of die, impression, watermark, and shades of stamp and paper that are likely to exist. This has, I hope, enabled me to make a Reference List of varieties complete, or nearly so, and I consider it is a positive duty for me to publish the new information for the benefit of any philatelists that may be interested.

Stamped envelopes were introduced into the United States in July, is53, by order of the lostmaster-Gencral, and the first contract was given to Messrs. George 1 . Nesbitt \& Co., of New York. There were soon complaints about this firm having the contract, and more especially because they had
stamped their seal upon the flaps of the envelopes. Messrs. Nesbitt were promptly notificd by the Department at Washington that no more envelopes would be received bearing their name, and further that they never had permission to put it on. The use of the seal was discontinued, and the contracts with Messrs. Nesbitt were extended from time to time by order of the Postmaster-General, in spite of the contentions that had arisen; and no change was made until July, 1870 .

The envelopes first issued were as follows:


It will be noticed that there are five dies of the 3 cents, one die of the 6 cents, and two dies of the 10 cents. It is hardly necessary to describe these at length, as they are well known to collectors, and have been described with more or less success in some of the old catalogues. Perhaps the best way of treating them will be to give each of them an appropriate name, showing the chicf characteristics by which they are distinguished, and giving collectors a convenient system of memoria technica to keep them in mind. The suggested names for the dies are as follows:

| 1. |  | nt | red, |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |  | The Close-end Die |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2. | . 3 | " | " | " | I |  | $\cdots$ | ... | The Straight-end Die. |
| 3 | 3 | " | " | " | C |  | $\ldots$ |  | The K-end Die. |
| 4. | . 3 | " | " | " | I) |  | ... |  | 'The Wide-end Die. |
| 5 | 5. 3 | " | " | " | E |  | $\ldots$ | - | The Common Die. |
| 1. | 6 | " | green | " | A |  |  | . | The Straight-end Die. |
| 1 | 10 | " | , | , | A | A |  | .. | The Straight-end Die. |
| 2 | 2. 10 | " | " | " | B |  |  |  | The Wide-end lie. |

In the Nesbitt scries one of the most important considerations is the watermarks, which are found on all the different papers that were used for the manufacture of the envelopes. The arrangement of the watermarks in the new Tiffany work is very unsatisfactory, as two of the most important ones are omitted, and collectors must have great difficulty in arranging their specimens by that list. No other writers have since published anything on the subject, so it scems to be the duty of any student who knows these watermarks to give a clear explanation of the varieties that exist, and show by what methods they can be distinguished. There are nine different watermarks in the series, and accurate illustrations of them will be found on two of the plates. The real points that should be held to distinguish the different Nesbitt watermarks are, first the angles at which the monograms are set with
the cross lines, and secondly, the position of cach monogram in relation to the next monograms above and below. In both cases manifestly displaced monograms must be disregarded. Also no notice should be taken of the shapes of the individual letters, save a few which will be mentioned, as each variety of watermark has letters of all the usual shapes. The angles are the most important standard to hold by, but they are rather troublesome to take, as one has to rule pencil lines on the envelopes to ensure true accuracy. But all that is reguired is the average angle of each varicty, which I can give, having taken it with great care on a large number of normal specimens of each variety:

| " | 3 | " | $37^{\circ}$ | " | $35^{\circ}$ to $38^{\circ}$. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| , | 4 | . | $42^{\circ}$ | " | $41^{\circ}$ to $44^{\circ}$. |
| " | 5 | " | $51^{\circ}$ | ,. | $+8^{\circ}$ to $54^{\circ}$. |
| " | 6 | " | $47^{\circ}$ | " | $43^{\circ}$ to $48^{3}$. |
| , | 7 | , | $45^{\circ}$ | . | $44^{\circ}$ to $47^{\circ}$. |
| , | 5 | " | $46^{\circ}$ | , | $44^{\circ}$ to $48^{\circ}$. |

Wmk. I and wmk. 9 are not included in the above list, as the monograms are at right angles to the cross lines. These averages are given to establish the watermarks as different, and not as a means of identifying specimens. The latter is more conveniently done by the relative positions of the monograms, which can be seen at a glance, though certain peculiarities are easier tests for some of them.

Wmk. i. The monograms are set at right angles to the cross lines, one under the other. Length of POD averages 55 mm ., and of US 31 mm . The next monogram is 20 mm . below the one above. (Tiffany's $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{I}$.)

Wmk. 2. The remark about the angle does not apply to this watermark, as the angle is the chief point of difference from wmk. 3 , and if judged by the eye, one may easily be mistaken for the other. Length of $\mathrm{l}^{\prime}(\mathrm{n})$ averages 46 mm ., and the cross lines 31 mm . apart. The next monogram usually starts with the r close to the corner of the s above, but sometimes a little way off. (Tiffany's A, 2.)

Wmk. 3. Length of pon averages 44 mm ., and the cross lines 31 mm . apart. The monograms are, as a rule, a little lower down and a little further off those above than in var. 2 , but still the two watermarks are wonderfully alike. (Tiffany's $A, 3$.)

Wmk. 4. Length of roD averages 52 mm ., and the cross lines 31 mm . apart. The positions vary a little, but the monogram below usually has the P in a line under the S of the one above, and is about 13 mm . below. This variety can be recognised best by the peculiar shape of the o. The inner oval of this letter is much lower down than the outer circle, and the top of the o shows a large space between the two lines. Not mentioned by Tiffany,

Wmk. 5. Length of POD averages 45 mm , and the cross lines 25 mm . apart. This watermark is very different to the others, as the 1 ' of the lower monogram is well under, and sometimes a little to the left of the sof the monogram above. The monograms are about 7 mm . apart. (Tiffany's A, 4.)

Wmk. 6 . Length of POD averages 45 mm ., and the cross lines 31 mm . apart. This watermark is the opposite of wmk. 5, the position of the lower monograms being to the right of those above. The P is usually just clear of the S , and sometimes just under it. Monograms further apart, upper ones about 10 mm . above the lower ones. (Not mentioned by Tiffany.)

Wmk. 7. Length of POD averages 48 mm , and the cross lines 30 mm . apart. This is the variety with the positions of the monograms reversed as regards the cross lines. The $D$ is, as a rule, almost under the $U$ above, though sometimes half clear to the left. Monograms about 8 to 12 mm . apart. (Tiffany's A, 5.)

Wmk. 8. Length of POD averages 47 mm ., and the cross lines 19 mm . apart. The $r^{1}$ is usually nearly clear of the $s$. Lower monograms about 10 mm . below those above. (Tiffany's $\mathrm{A}, \sigma$.)

Wmk, 9. The monograms are set at right angles to the cross lines. Length of rOO is 43 mm ., and the cross lines are 18 mm . apart. The monograms are placed at intervals of 176 mm ., one above the other, so that only two can show in a letter-shect. (Tiffany's A, 7.)

The paper with womk. I was one of the earliest made, and was in use at the same time with the usual wmk. 2 paper made for the issue of 1853. The remark in Tiffany's work that it is undoubtedly the earliest is incorrect, as the wmk. 2 paper was as early, and later envelopes than the first issued are found with wmk. I paper, which must have been used till the supply was cxhausted. It only exists on white paper, and with the Nesbitt seal. Nearly all the envelopes of $1853-1855$ are on wmk. 2 paper, with the few exceptions of wmk. 1 , and one or two searce specimens of later watermarks. Wmk. 3 and wmk. 5 are the usual varietics found on the bulk of the 1860 issuc. Wmk. 3 is only known on white paper, and only occurs rarely after iS60. Wmk. 4 appeared at the same time as wmk. 3, but only on a 1 cent of 1860 . It only exists on coloured papers, and it is not found in any quantity until s sol. Wmk. 5 and wink. 6 are far the most abundant varicties, and are the commonest in all the issues from 1861 to 1865 . Wmk. 7 , the reversed varicty, is scarce, and is not found on many envelopes. It may be looked for in the 2 cents "U.S. POST" of 1864 , and on most of the high values of 1855 , and a fow rare instances have been found in the 3 cents of $18 \sigma_{4}$ on white paper. Wmk. 8 is a very convenient receptacle for all the envelopes with fine laid lines and the cross lines proportionately nearer together. Large numbers of envelopes from 1860 to 1865 are found with this narrow lined paper, and as a rule they are later impressions than those with the other watermarks. Wmk. g, the last of the varietics, is on blue laid paper, and only exists on the 3 cents letter-shcets of August, I86I. There is no necessity to specify in the notes on the dies and their varietics, the watermarks or the sizes and knives of the envelopes, as they will appear later on in the Reference List. What has to be done now is to deal with the actual dies in regular order with bricf descriptions of the varicties, and to endeavour to make everything clear to such philatelists as wish to study this intricate subject.

## 3 Cents, red. Die A. The Close-end Die.

Short labels with curved ends. Io loops on the left, 9 loops on the right.
There are eleven different varieties of this die. The first three of them have the same head in relicf. Now these early Nesbitt dies were made in two pieces, the outer oval frame with the letters, figures, and ornamental designs, and the inner oval containing the head, which fits into the inner line of the outer oval frame. The result of this is that there are different dies with the same head in relief. This particular head seems to have been the first one made, and it has been used for several other dies besides Dic A. In this case of three heads alike, it will be necessary to compare the differences in the letters of THREE and CENTS to discriminate between the varietics. In the remaining varieties of this die the heads are all different, and in many cases are very useful as a means of identifying the varieties. There is a special plate which gives excellent illustrations of all the 1853 heads. Any student who becomes interested in this subject is strongly recommended to pay particular attention to this plate of heads, as they are the best means of identifying some of the varieties. In cases where it is difficult to recognise a head, the letters will generally help to make certain. A noticcable feature in this series and the next is the Nesbitt patte. There are no less than ten varieties in the positions of the letters and periods. Illustrations of them appear in Plate IV., following the illustrations of the dies of 1853 . They are somewhat useful, as in cases of poor impressions or heavily-obliterated specimens it is sometimes casy to make sure of the varicty by the Nesbitt patte. Althougl the scal was promptly forbidden, as we learn from the journals of the time, Messrs. Nesbitt seem to have been able to circulate a considerable number of envelopes with it. Some time ago, when Messis. Collin and Calman were kind cnough to send me their whole stock of Nesbitts, I found a package of these envelopes, some hundreds in number, that contained practically every variety that was likely to exist, and from which I was able to select long serics of grood specimens of every known envelope with this die. Ten out of the eleven varietics are found with the scal, and the first of them with the seal only. Further, most of the varieties of dic have a different varicty of Nesbitt patte. They are all found with plain flaps except var. 1 , mentioned above. Amongst the earliest envelopes is the variety with a special watermarh, wmk. I of the list, and commonly known as Horner $6 \frac{1}{2}$. This envelope is found with several of the eleven varieties of the dic, which proves that I Iorner $6 \frac{1}{2}$ was not the carliest envelope issucd by itself, as some writers have been sanguine enough to suppose. The envelope is letter size, and only exists on white paper and with the Nesbitt patte, A few of the varictics are found on note size also. However, the vast majority of the specimens of this die that come into the market are the usual letter size on white or buff paper with the regular 1853 wmk 2, and there are nearly as many with the Nesbitt patte as without.

There is no occasion to give long detailed descriptions of each variety; as nine out of ten collectors will identify their specimens by the illustrations. A few notes pointing out the chitef differences, and a special mention of any
strange or abnormal peculiarities occurring in certain dies, may be of some assistance in cases of doubt.

Var. 1. Head 1. Nesbitt 5 only.
Letters of three spaced out further than in var. 2, and $T$ and $E$ very near the curves. THR evenly spaced. C of cexts some way off the curve.

Var. 2. Head 1. Nesbitt 8 and plain.
Letters of Timee high up in the label. T further off the curve, but same distance off il as in var. I. If and k close together. Letters of CENTS spaced about the same as in var. i.

Var. 3. Hoad 1. Nesbitt 3 and plain.
T very near the curve. HRE all wide apart. C of cents much nearer the curve than in the others, and also further off E .

Var. 4. Hcad 2. Nesbitt 5 and plain.
TIIR and LE about same distance apart. K and E a little further apart. Letters of cents low down in label, and a fair distance apart from each other and from the curves.

Var. 5. Head 3. Nesbitt 2 and plain.
T very near the curve. TIIR and se about same distance apart. $R$ only a little further off $\mathrm{E} . \quad \mathrm{C}$ high up and far off $\mathrm{E} . \quad \mathrm{S}$ almost touches the curve.

Var. 6. Head 4. Nesbitt to and plain.
T below the level of the other letters, which are fairly evenly spaced. ENT nearer to each other than $C$ to $E$ and $T$ to $S$.

## Var. 7. Hoad 5. Plain only.

Th and EE near together. $K$ further off 11 and $E$. $C$ high up and far off F . EXIS evenly spaced. No assistance here from a Nesbitt patte, but there is a noticcable variation in the head in relief. The second lock of hair from the top is double, which can be seen at a glance.

Var. 8. Head 6. Nesbitt 8 and plain.
K a long way off It and E . Second 1: very near the curve. Letters of cents high up in label, especially C . EXT near together, s slightly further off, and c much further off.

Var. 9. Head 7. Nesbitt 9 and plain.
T some way off 1 H , and 11 and k close together. ENTS about evenly spaced. C some way off E .

Var. 1o. Head 8. Nesbitt I and plain.
R a good way off il and E. NT of CENTS nearer together than the other letters. The front lock of hair over the ear is much thickened at the end, and somewhat resembles a boomerang. Later specimens show a crease which cuts into the paper and runs from the top to the bottom of the stamp. It has been named "The Cracked Die" by our friends in the States.

Var. 11. Head 9. Neslitt 4 and plain.
T very close indeed to the curve, sometimes touching it, Letters of THREE all woll spaced. © high up and some way off E. EXTS well spaced.

## * 3 Cents, red. Die B. The Straight-end Die.

Short labels with straight ends. Stle loops on the left, 9 loops on the right.
There is no doubt about this being one of the earliest dics made, as numerous specimens are found with the Nesbitt patte. Var. I, as with var. I of Die A, exists only with the patte; but two varictics of it are found, one of them on white paper only. There are two new seals in this scries, which do not occur in the previous one. There is another fact about this series which is a genuine surprise, as it reverses the order of things existing for Dic A. There are three different varieties of this dic, and they all have the letters of turet: and cients exactly alike. In this case it will be necessary to compare the heads in relief, which fortunately are very distinct, and can be recognised for certain with a little care. The head of the first varicty is the one found in the previous series, and described as the head first made, and as having been used for later impressions. The others have new heads of relief, which can be seen in the illustrations. In casc of an envelope with a Nesbitt patte, it will perhaps be a safer guide to the dic than the illustration of the head may prove. But there are more of this serics found with plain flaps than with Nesbitt seals, and it is therefore advisable to describe the varieties of the heads for occasions when they are the only points to resort to.

Var. I. Head I. Nesbitt 5 and 6 only.
This head is best recognised by the three lower locks of hair, which curve down, and finish on a level with the lobe of the ear. They form a compact bunch of hair distinctly separate from the queue, which is faintly impressed. Garment at the back of the neck has two folds.

Var. 2. Head 10. Nesbitt 3 and plain.
Two rows of five and four short thick locks of hair, the back row continuing down into the queuc. The end of the small lock, curling down from the corner of the cycbrow to just over the ear, is near the lobe of the ear. Garment at the back of the neck has four folds.

## Var. 3. Head 11. Acsbitt 7 and plain.

Two rows of five and three locks of hair, the two near the middle of the front row much smaller than the others, and only taking up as much room as the one opposite in the back row. The two lowest in the front row and the lowest in the back row are very thick and lumpy indeed in some specimens. The small lock from the corner of the cycbrow slants down, and is a little further off the lobe of the ear than in var. 2. Garment at the back of the neek has four folds.

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## 3 Cents, red. Die C. The K-end Die.

Short labels with straight ends, which have a diagonal line at each corner. $8 \frac{1}{2}$ loops on the left, 9 loops on the right.

There are only two varieties of this die, and perhaps it is fortunate there are not several of them. The two varieties that do exist resemble one another so much in the details, which usually differ in the varieties of other dies, that a number of others, equally alike, might tax the powers of an expert to identify. In the heads in relief there is only a slight difference in the arrangement of the hair, which is of no practical use, as in most specimens of this series the head is so lightly impressed that it is impossible to detect any differences. After the first two series there are no more Nesbitt pattes to be found. Messrs. Tiffany, loogert, and Rechert in their "Historical Notes," say that Dies I, 2, 3, and 4 are all found with the seal, but that is evidently a mistake of theirs. The two latter, commonly known as Horner 8 and 9 , and 4 and 5 , have been considered great rarities in former times, but since the omnivorous scarch of old correspondence in the States has uncarthed a considerable quantity of these cnvelopes, examination shows that there need be no doubt that the Nesbitt was abolished before these were made. There is therefore no assistance to be looked for in the flaps, but fortunately there is a little variation in the letters of Clents, by which they are easily identificd.

## Var. 1. Head 12. Plain only.

In the head in relief the end of the third lock of hair from the top is nearly straight, and does not curve down so much as the fourth lock does. However, the c of cents is the key of the situation. In var. I, it is low down in the label.

## Var. 2. Had 13. Plain only.

The point of the third lock curves down, and to some extent follows the end of the fourth lock below it. In var. 2, c of cents is high up in the label,

## 3 Cents, red. Die D. The Wide-end Die.

Top label very long with straight ends, lower label short with straight ends.
7 loops on each side.
There is only one varicty of this die, and it is another instance of the use of the old original head, the first one made, which has already been described for Var. I. of Dic 13. The lettering is different to that of the other 3 cents, as, in consequence of the wide upper label, the letters of Thimee have had to be spread out to a very considerable extent to fill their share of the label. The description in the new American work is rather misleading, as it states, "Long labels with square ends," whereas the upper label is the only long one, the top line measuring 20 mm . and the lower line 14 mm ., whilst the lower label coincides with the short labels of Dic 13 and Die C in measurement, the top line being I I mm., and the lower line 16 mm . in length.

Var. 1. Hoad 1. Plain only.
Letters of THREE: spread far apart from each other, especially the second E. E further off the end of the label than T. ENT of CENTS nearer to each other than C to E and T to S .

## 3 Cents, red. Die E. The Common Die.

Short labels with curved ends, 9 loops on the left, $8 \frac{1}{2}$ loops on the right.
This die, the fifth of the 3 cents that the authorities seem to have found it necessary to order, made its appearance in March, 1854 , and continued to do duty till October, 1860, an unusually long period for one die to last. Naturally, it went through many vicissitudes, in the way of the usual repairs and retouching of the lines and the letters. Indecd, to such an extent was this carried that no less than thirty varieties of the die have been found. There is a very useful division of these varieties, the first ten having the cross-strokes of the letters T much wider than the last twenty. The differences, by which they are distinguished, need only be looked for in the alterations of the lines and the curves, and in the arrangement of the letters of Three and chats. A new head in relicf (Illustration 14) was specially made for this die, and it was used for every one of the thirty varieties. It is very different from any of the numerous heads that were made for the other dies of this issue. There are seven very thin locks of hair, almost hair-lines, in the upper part of the head, running across to the back of the heatd, each with a curve upwards in the centre. Below these there is a short thick bunch of hair, slanting upwards into the space left by the curve of the seventh thin lock. The arrangement of the hair is completed by three short thick locks side by side at right angles to the slanting bunch of hair, the front one almost covering the ear. The lower margin of these three locks is very sharply defined, and makes the whole into a compact head of hair separate from the queue, a similar arrangement to the one noticed in the description of Head 1 of the 3 cents, Dic 13 .

Seeing the long time this scries was in use, of course the envelopes are far more abundant and easy to get than those of the four rater dies. The first large lot of the "Common Die" 3 cents that came to me were sent by Mr. J. IV. Scott, and amounted to some $j 00$ envelopes. At that time dies were new work, and the more I tried to investigate them with my unpractised eyes, the more insuperable seemed the labour of separating them, even to some extent. However, by dint of British perseverance, the doubtful varieties grew less and less, and before I returned the parcel I had specimens of some sort of nearly all the varieties that exist. Regular supplies began to arrive as soon as I had pestered my friends in the States, and thousands must have passed through my hands. With constant practice, picking them out became as easy as shelling peas, and I have got together good specimens of all the thirty dies, with many varieties of shades of stamp and paper, which are more abundant in this series than in any other. Some of the envelopes are searcer than others, especially a few on white paper, but none of them can be considered real rarities. Many of the varieties have little flaws in the design, or noticeable peculiarities in the curves and letters, all of which will be specially mentioned in the descriptions. These should be noted and looked for, as the ten carlier varieties are by no means easy to separate, and besides, it saves time in going through large lots.

Group A. Letters T with long cross-strokes.
Var. i. T near H , and bclow the level of the other letters. hree evenly spaced. CEN rather nearer to each other than NTS. The curve on the left slants back, and is a long way off c at the lower corner.

Var. 2. R exactly in the centre of the labcl, and some distance off H and e. All the letters of cents close together, and N nearly touching T . Ends of label deeply curved.

Var. 3. T and second E lower than the other letters. R some way off H and E . Letters of cents very near together, except Ts.

Var. 4. TH near together, other letters well spaced. T much nearer the curve than E. CE and NT both very near together.

Var. 5. Letters of Tiree gradually further off each other to the end. E much further off the curve than T. CEN nearer together than NTS. There is a little blank space in the outer line, just under N and T .

Var. 6. Letters of THREE a fair distance apart, except R , which is further off $H$ and $E$. $T$ and $E$ lower than the other letters. ENT close to each other. chigh up in label.

Var. 7. Letters of TIIREE equally spaced. T and E a good way off the curves. N above T , and sometimes touches it. The thin stroke across the top of N is prolonged in a curious way, and curls upward.

Var. 8. T and E a good way off the curves. $R$ a little way off $H$ and $E$. Letters of Cents very evenly spaced.

Var. 9. Letters of tiree fairly well spaced. R slightly further off $E$. CENT very near each other, and $s$ rather near $T$.

Var. Io. H and K much nearer together, and further off their neighbours than in any of the foregoing varieties. ENT close together.

## Group B. Letters T with short cross-strokes.

Var. in. T and E near the curves. R a long way off H and $\mathrm{E} . \mathrm{N}$ low down in label, and the thin stroke across the top of N , if produced, would bisect the little down-stroke of T .

Var. 12. T and H very near indeed. R a long way off. REE about evenly spaced. EN very near together.

Var. 13. TII much nearer together than the other letters. EN very near together. The left curve slants back, and is a long way off c at the lower corner.

Var. 14. R some distance off II, and further still off E. CENT near each other. C further off the curve than s .

Var. I 5. T near h. Last four letters well spaced, and high up in the label. ENT near together. The curves decper than usual.

Var. I6. TII near together. T near the curve. R some way off H and E. EE near together. E a long way off the curve. Letters of CEATS near together, especially EN.

Var. I7. THR and EE spaced about the same as in Var. 16 , but $k$ higher up in the label. E near the curve. NT near together, other letters a little way apart.

Var. I8. T some way off $H$. $R$ near $H$, but samo distance off $E$ as in Var. I6. EE some way apart. Letters of CEXIS evenly spaced. E rather large. sts high up in the label.

Var. 19. Letters of THREE noticeable for being the closest together of any variety. EN near together. Curves deep.

Var. 20. R upright in the centre, and a little way off II and $E$. Curve on the right slants inwards, and is further off E at the upper corner. CLiN close together. NTS a little distance apart.

Var. 2I. T and E near the curves. Letters of THREE wide apart, especially HRE. CE very near together. S some way off $T$.

Var. 22. T and E near the curves. Letters of THREE wide apart, except TII. CEE and NTS both near together. EN a little way off.

Var. 23. I.etters of THREE wide apart, except TH. ENT near together. Lower curve on right slants back, and is a long way off $s$ at the lower corner. Curves more or less straightened, and this applies to the remaining varictics.

Var. 24. Lefters of THREE similar to those of Var. 23. C high up. ENT near together. There is a flaw in the design on the right, where a line has been continued a short distance into the space between the inner oval and the engine-turning, near the fiftle and sixth loops.

Var. 25. T low down in the label, and much nearer the curve than $E$. HREE evenly spaced. C nearer the curve than S. ST very near, and sometimes touching. This is an exception to the straightened curves, and the curves are deep.

Var. 26. IIR near together, and a good way off T and E . Letters of CENTS very near together, especially Cl:. There is a flaw in the engineturning on the right, where the design is continued into the angle formed by the curve and the inner oval line.

Var. 27. Letters of THREE wide apart, especially REE. NT nearly touching. Lower curve on left slants back, and is a long way off C at the lower corner.

Var. 28. Letters of THREE wide apart, except EE. Leetters of CENTS near together, especially NT. S high up in label.

Var. 29. HR wide apart, other letters only a good way off. Letters of CENTS near together. The little stroke across the top of $N$ is over the top of $T$.

Var. 30. Letters of tilree very wide apart, perhaps the widest. C much further off the curve than $S$. Letters of CENT'S not so near together as in Var. 29.

## 6 Cents, red, and also green. Die A. The Straight-end Die.

Short labels with straight ends. $8 \frac{1}{2}$ loops on the left, 9 loops on the right.
There are four varieties of this die, which is perhaps more than might be expected with a value so much less in use than the 3 cents. The heads in relief show much more decided differences than those of any previous series; and were these 6 cents in the same case as Die B of the 3 cents, only differing in the heads, it is probable they would still be casy to recognise. In fact, curiously enough, the first two varieties have the letters of SIX and CEXTS in identical positions; but as they have used the first head for Var. 1 , there is no difficulty in separating these two. It is the last appearance of Head 1 ; and it looks as if it had been so mucli used, that it was necessary to replace it with a new one when more 6 cents were required, but using the same oval frame, which would still be serviceable. The last two varieties have new heads, and also different arrangements of the letters. There is in the Tiffany list an attempt, in the notes on dies, to describe three different arrangements of the hair, with a remark that they can only be distinguished in fine clear specimens. This proviso is perhaps superfluous, as all the 6 cents, both in red and green, are remarkably clearly printed; but, irrespective of this, the writer, who possesses a large number of fine specimens for comparison, is quite unable to identify from the notes the varieties described.

The three last illustrations of the 6 cents on Plate IV. are arranged in a different order to that given in the description, but to prevent mistakes we have added the number of the corresponding illustration at the end of each of the three varieties.

## Var. ェ. Head ェ. Plain only.

Head 1 need not be described here, as that has already been done for Die 13 of the 3 cents. Letters of SIX wide apart, but well centred in the label. C of cents a long way off e. Ents equal distance from each other.

Var. 2. Head 15 . Ilain only.
Two rows of four locks of hair, the two lowest of the back row being very thick and heavy indeed. Both of them marge into the queue, which runs down to the corner of the bust, and shows no divisions in the hair. The small lock of hair curling down from the corner of the cycbrow, and finishing just over the lobe of the ear, is much thinner than its neighbours of the front row. The letters are identical with those of Var. 1. (Illustration No. 4.)

## Var. 3. Head 16 . Plain only.

This head is very different from the others, and may be known by the five long straight locks of hair, the last almost covering the ear. The small lock from the corner of the cyebrow is very thin indeed, and the end of it projects just over the lobe of the car. Letters of six closer together, and further off the ends of the label. c a long way off E . LNT equal distance from each other, and $s$ only a little further off T . (Illustration io 2.)

V'ar. 4. Mead i 7. Slain only.
Two clearly printed locks of hair across the top of the head. Below these two rows of four and three locks, the second one of the front row being a mere hair-line above the large third lock and parallel to it. The lock from the corner of the eycbrow is a little larger, and finishes a little further off the lobe of the ear, than in either of the last two heads. The queue is divided into very regular plaits all the way down. Letters of six are identical with those of Var. 3, or nearly so. ExTS near together. $c$ and $s$ some distance off E: and T. (Illustration No. 3.)

## Io Cents, green. Die A. The Straight-end Die.

Short labels with straight ends. $8 \frac{1}{2}$ loops on the left, 9 loops on the right.
Dic $A$, the first die of the focents, green, made its appearance in April, 1835. Evidently there was no great quantity of them required, as there is only one varicty of the die. It would seem that they had studied economy in their old age, as they have made use of the special head, that was made for the whole serics of the 3 cents, Die E , for this first die of the 10 cents. There can be no chance of making any mistake in identifying the to cents, as the two dies are as widely different as any of the dies of the 3 cents, and there is only one variety of each die.

Var. 1. Heallia. Plain onty.
The head in relief has been described at length in the notes on the Common Die of the 3 conts. Letters of TEN about equally spaced. T rather slanting back, and nearer the end of the label than N. CE and NT very near together indeed.

## io Cents, green. Die B. The Wide-end Die.

Upper label very long with straight ends, lower label short with straight ends. 7 loops on each side.
There is only one variety of this die, and as it was the same with the Wide-end Dic of the 3 cents, it is probable they were both made from the same oval frame, and only the letters altered. There is a new head in relief for this die, and here again we have to correct our American friends. In their description of this die they remark, "The head is also like Dic 4" The head of their Dic 4 is Head $I$ of the plate of heads, and the new head bears no resemblance to that first head-indeed, as a matter of fact, it is entirely different to any other 1853 head.

## riur. i. Hiad 8 . Plain onty.

The head in relief has a double row of six and five lochs of hair, all very short and somewhat thick. The small lock from the corner of the eyebrow is thin, and fimishes a little above the lobe of the car. The letters of ten are not spread out to fill the wide label, as they are in Var. I of Die 1 ) of the 3 cents, but spaced about the same distance apart as in Dic $A$; but in this die the letters are nearer to the right end of the label. riN very close together. C and $T$ rather near $E$ and $\lambda . S$ further off $T$.

REFERENCE LIST.*
July, 1853.3 Cents, red. Die A.
Var. I .


Var. 2.

| 4. | ... |  | ents | ... | red | ... | white | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | Nesbitt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5. | $\ldots$ | 3 | , | $\ldots$ | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | " |
| 6. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 2 |  | 2 |  | Plain. |
| 7. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | , |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Sar. 3. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. | $\ldots$ |  | ents | ... | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | I | ... | Nesbitt |
| 9. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | ,, | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | , |
| 10. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... |  |
| 11. | ... | 3 | " | $\cdots$ | " | ... | white | $\cdots$ | 2 | ... | 2 |  | Plain. |
| 12. | $\cdots$ | 3 | , | $\ldots$ | , | , | buff | $\cdots$ | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ |  |

Var. 4.

| 13. | $\ldots$ |  | nts | $\ldots$ | red | ... | white | ... | 1 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | Plain. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |  | Nesbitt. |
| 15. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | buff | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |  |
| 16. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 2 | ... | Plain. |
| 17. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " |  | buff | ... | 2 | . | 2 |  |  |

Var. 5.

| 18. | $\ldots$ |  | ents | ... | red | ... | white | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | .. | Nesbitt. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 19. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | „ | ... |  | .. | 2 | ... | 2 | ... |  |
| 20. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | , | ... | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... |  |
| 21. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | white | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | Plain. |
| 22. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |

Var. 6.

| 23. | $\cdots$ |  | ents | $\ldots$ | red | ... | white | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | Plain. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.4. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | " | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | Nesbitt |
| 25. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | " | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | " |
| 26. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | " |
| 27. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | Plain. |
| 28. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\cdots$ | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... |  |

Var. 7.

| 20. | $\ldots$ | 3 | cents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 1 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Plain. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30. | $\ldots$ | 3 | , | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| 31. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\prime$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| $"$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

- The keference Lists are all drawn up under the same form as tlat adopted in the work of Messrs. Tiffany, logert, and Rechert, except that the numbers of the watermarks correspond with our two phates of illustrations.

Var. S.


Vur. 10.

| 41. | $\ldots$ | 3 | cents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 1 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Plain. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 42. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 1 | $\ldots$ |
| 43. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| 44. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| 45. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| 46. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |

Var. II.

| 47. | ... |  | n | ... | red | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | Nesbitt. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 48. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " |  | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | " |
| 49. | ... | 3 | " |  | " | ... | white | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | Plain. |
| 50. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | $\cdots$ | 2 | ... | 2 | $\cdots$ | " |

July, 1853. 3 Cents, red. Die B.
Var. 1.

| 5 r. | $\ldots$ | 3 | cents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 52. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $n$ | $\ldots$ | ,$"$ | $\ldots$ | buft | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Var. 2.

| 53. | ... |  | ents | $\ldots$ | red | ... | white | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | Nesbitt. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 54. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | " |
| 55. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | Plain. |
| 56. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 | $\cdots$ | " |

Var. 3.

| 57. | ... |  | ents | ... | red | ... | white | ... | 1 | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | Plain. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 58 | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | Nesbitt. |
| 59. | ... | 3 | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | $:$ |
| 60. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " |  | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | Plain. |
| 61. | $\ldots$ | 3 |  | $\ldots$ |  | $\cdots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ |  |

July, $1853 \quad 3$ Cents, red. Die C.
Var. 1.

| No. |  | Value. |  | Colour. |  | Paper. |  | Knife. |  | Wmak. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 62. | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 63. | $\ldots$ | 3 | , | $\ldots$ | , | $\ldots$ | buif | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



Group 13. Letters t with short cross-strokes.
Var. II.

| No. |  | Value. |  |  | Colour. |  | Paper. | Knife. |  |  | Wink, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 94. | $\ldots$ |  | cents | $\ldots$ | red | ... | white | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 95. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | buft | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| Var. 12. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 96. | $\cdots$ |  | cents | . | red | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 97. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 |
| 98. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 99. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ** | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 5 | ... | 2 |
| Var. 13. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 100. | $\ldots$ |  | cents | $\ldots$ | red | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 101. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 |
| Var. 14. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 102. | $\cdots$ |  | cents | $\cdots$ | red | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 103. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| Var. 15. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. | $\cdots$ |  | cents | ... |  | ... | white | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 105. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | buff | ... | 2 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 106. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | white | -• | 4 | ... | 2 |
| 107. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 4 | ... | 2 |
| Var. 16. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 108. | ... |  | cents | ... |  | ... |  | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 109. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 |
| 110. | ... | 3 | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | white | ... | 4 | ... | 2 |
| IM. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | $\cdots$ | 4 | ... | 2 |
| Var. 17. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 112. | $\ldots$ |  | cents | $\cdots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 |
| 113. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 2 |
| 114. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | white | ... | 4 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 115. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 4 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 116. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 5 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 117. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | buff | ... | 5 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| Var. 18. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1 \times 8$ | *. |  | cents | ... | red |  | white | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 119. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 2 |
| 120. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 4 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 12 I . | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | buff | ... | 4 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 122. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | white | ... | 5 | ... | 2 |
| 123. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| V'ar. 19. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 124. | -• |  | cents | ... |  |  | white | ... | 1 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 125. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 126. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 127. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | white | ... | 4 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 128. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | buff | $\cdots$ | 4 | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| 129. | $\ldots$ | 3 |  | ... | " | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 6 |  | 2 |




In October, 1860 , a new issuc of 3 cents, 6 cents, and io cents envelopes took place, with stamps of a smaller and entirely new design. These envelopes were followed in December of the same year with two new values of $I$ cent and 4 cents, the latter consisting of a $I$ cent stamp and a 3 cents stamp struck side by side on the same envelope. From an extract from the Postmaster-Gencral's Report of December 1st, 1860, given in Messrs. Tiffany, Bogert, and Rechert's work, it appears that the I cent value was for "circulars" and city correspondence, while the 4 cents was "required in cities where there are lamp-post letter-boxes, or other depositories for letters to be conveyed by carriers to the Post-office, the one cent paying the carriers' fee, and the other stamp paying the postage."

We take the envelopes in the order of value.

## I Cent. Head of Franklin.

For the I cent the Tiffany list gives two dies, with five sub-varicties for the first, and two sub-varieties for the second. As will be seen from llate V., we have found eleven varieties in all. It is very difficult to say which are die varietics, and which distinct dies, in these i cent envelopes, as some of the varictics are so different that we think they must be from entirely separate dies. We have therefore considered it best not to divide the varieties up under different dies, but to describe them in consecutive order, which we now proceed to do.

Var. I. For the first three varictics the stamp measures $20 \frac{1}{2} \times 24 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. There is a period after the word rostagr, and the bust points at the letter g of that word. In Var. I the space between the top of the E and C of one CENT measures 4 mm . The O of ONE is away from N .

Var. 2. The space between the letters e and C measures only 3 mm . O of one is close to N. E and N of cent also close.

Var. 3. The space between te and c measures $3 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. O of ONE close to N . E and N further apart.

Var. 4. In this and the next three varieties the bust points between the letters $A$ and $G$ of rostage, there still being a period at the end of that word, and the stamp measures $20 \frac{1}{2} \times 24^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{~mm}$. In Var. 4 the space between O of ONE and $U$ of U.S. measures $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$, and that between E and C of ONE cent barely 4 mm . There are usually two small white dots in the central oval, which are in line with the commencement of the letter $s$ of u.s.

Vor. 5. Space between $O$ and $u$ measures 8 mm ., that between E and C 4 mm . There is a spot sometimes under the left star, and also in the central oval at the back of the head.

Var. 6. Space between o and $u$ measures $7 \frac{1}{4}$ mm., which in worn specimens is 7 mm . only. Space between it and c 4 mm . There is usually a comma after the letter $s$ of postadis, and a dot in the central oval under the letter N of oNE in carly printed specimens. The illustrations on Plate $V$., numbered $\sigma A, \sigma \mathrm{~B}$, and $\sigma \mathrm{C}$, are taken from wrappers, and show the gradual wear of this variety.

Var. 7. Space between 0 and $U$ measures 8 mm . Space between E and C 31 mm .

Var. 8. The stamp measures the same as in the preceding varieties, and there is a period after postage. The distinguishing feature is that the bust points at the letter A of Postage. $\Lambda$ s in Variety $G$, a second illustration (8 A), taken from a wrapper, is given to show the deterioration that took place during the use of this die.

Var.9. For this and the next variety the stamp measures $21 \times 243 \mathrm{~mm}$, and there is no period after the word pustage. In Var. 9 the bust points between the letters $A$ and $G$ of rosmali.

Var: io. The same as last, but the bust points at the letter of of rostagie.

Var: if. The stamp measures $20 \times 2+\mathrm{mm}$., and there is a period after the word rostage. The bust cuts into the frame between the letters a and G of postage, and also touches the frame to left. The upper ray of the stars points outwards. The "Tapling Collection" contains a specimen of this varicty upon an unofficial-shaped envelope of white laid paper, without watermark, size $140 \times 79 \mathrm{~mm}$, and square gum. The shape is very similar to Knife 11 , but the flap is rather differently cut. The stamp was struck upon the enselope after it was made up, and we think must have been printed to private order. We therefore exclude the envelope from our Reference List.

## 3 Cents. Head of Washington.

For this value the Tiffany list describes five varicties. In addition to these, we have found four others, making nine in all, the illustrations of which will be found on Plate Vi. We find one of the best tests for separating the varieties is that given by Mr. Tiffany and his colleagues, viz., stretching a thread, or laying a straight edge, from the extreme right of the top stroke of the letter $T$ of Thkite through the extreme right of the queue, and we have therefore adopted this as one of our methods in dealing with the descriptions.

Var. i. In this and the succeeding six varieties the bottom of the queue is in a line with the commencement of the letter $G$ of rostagis. The test thread passes through the right side of the letter $G$.

Var. 2. The thread passes through the i of POSTAGE, and the letters $s$ and $T$ of that word are closer.

Var. 3. The thread passes through the left side of the $G$ of postage.
Vor. 4. The thread passes through the $G$ of postagie. of further from $P$ than in Vars. I and 2. s of lostage higher up. (A mistake has unfortunately beco made in the illustration of this varicty, as that numbered 4 on I'late VI. is a cluplicate of number 8 . The error is not, however, of so much consequence as it might lave been, as a true illustration of our variety 4 is given lower down on the plate, under varicty 1 of the 4 cents.)

Var. 5. The thread passes through the left side of the $G$ of postace. $s$ is further from 0 , letters ThG are nearer the outer frame line, and the bust is nearer to the inner frame.

Vorr, 6 . The thead passes through the left side of the letter G. Bust near frame. $S$ and $T$ of postact: further apart, and $A$ and $G$ nearer the frame at top.

Var. 7. The thread passes through the left side of the letter $G$ of postage, the letter A of which word has no cross-stroke.

Var. 8. In this and the following variety the bottom of the queue is in a line with the space between the letters $G$ and E of Postagis. The stamp in Var. \& measures $20 \times 24^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{~mm}$, whereas in all the other eight varieties the measurement is $20 \times 24 \mathrm{~mm}$. The thread passes through the space between the letters $G$ and E of Postaik.

V'tar. g. Same as Var. 8; but the stamp measures $20 \times 24 \mathrm{~mm}$., and the word portage is shorter, the letters being closer together.

## 4 Cents. Heads of Franklin and Washington.

The Tiffany list mentions four different combinations of varieties of the I cent and 3 cents, as having been employed to form the 4 cents value. We have found one additional combination.

Var. 1. Consists of the I cent, var. 4 , and the 3 cents, var. 4 .

| Var. 2. | $"$ | 1 | $"$ | $"$ | 6 | $"$ | 3 | $"$ | $"$ | 8. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Var. 3. | $"$ | 1 | $"$ | $"$ | 5 | $"$ | 3 | $"$ | $"$ | 1. |
| Var. 4. | $"$ | 1 | $"$ | $"$ | 3 | $"$ | 3 | $"$ | $"$ | 8. |
| Var. 5. | $"$ | 1 | $"$ | $" 11$ | $"$ | 3 | $"$ | $"$ | 8. |  |

There seems no doubt, from the information given by Mr. Harrison in an article in the London Plilatclist, vol. ii. p. 12, that this last variety of the 4 cents was never issued for use.

## 6 Cents and ro Cents. Head of Washington.

Only one variety of the die for each of these two values is known, which, considering the rarity of the envelopes, is not surprising. The illustrations of the two stamps will be found on Plate VI., following the ninth variety of the 3 cents.

REFERENCE LIST.
December, 1860.1 Cent, blue. Var. 1.

| No. |  | Value. |  | Colotr |  | Paper. |  | Knife. |  | Wmk. |  | Gum. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 179. | $\ldots$ | 1 cent | ... | blue | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | $\cdots$ | S |
| 180. | ... | 1 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | " | ... | 2 | . | 5 | . $\cdot$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 181. | ... | I cent | $\ldots$ | blue | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 5 | .. | S |
| 182. | $\ldots$ | 1 " | ... | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | 2 | ... | 2, 5 | $\cdots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 3. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 183. | $\ldots$ | I cent | $\ldots$ | blue | ... | buft | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 184. | ... | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 5 | $\cdots$ | U |
| 185. | ... | 1 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\cdots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 4. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 186. | $\ldots$ | 1 cent | $\ldots$ | blue | ... | buff | ... | 2 | .. | 5 | ... | U |
| 187. | $\cdots$ | 1 " | ... | " |  | " | $\cdots$ | 5 | $\cdots$ | 5 | ... | U |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | . 5 . |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 188. | ... | 1 cent | ... | blue | ... | buff | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 189. | ... | 1 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 5 | $\cdots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | . 6. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I90. | $\cdots$ | 1 cent | $\ldots$ | blue | .... | buff | - | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | S |
| 191. | $\cdots$ | 1 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | " | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | U |
| 192. | $\cdots$ | 1 " | ... | " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | 5 | -. | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 193. | $\ldots$ | 1 " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | 5 | ... | 5 | - | U |
| 194. | ... | 1 " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | " | ... | 9 | ... | 5 | - | S |
| 195. | ... | 1 " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | - 9 | ... | 5 | $\ldots$ | U |

Var. 7.


Var. 8.

| 198. | $\cdots$ |  | ent | ... | blue | ... | buff |  | 2 |  | 5 |  | U |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 199. | ... | I | " |  | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | 5 |  | 2, 5 |  | U |
| 200. | ... | I | " |  | " |  | -buff, |  | 5 | $\ldots$ | none | ... | U |

Var. 9.
20I. ... i cent ... blue ... straw ... in .. 4, 8 ... S
Var. 10.
202.* ... I cent ... blue ... straw ... 11 ... 6 ... S

Var. 11.
203. ... I cent ... blue ... orange ... in ... 8 ... S

October, 1860.3 Cents, red.
Var. 1.

| 204. | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 7 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 205. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\prime$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | 8 | $\ldots$ | 3,5 | $\ldots$ |
| S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 206. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 8 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ |
| 207. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\prime$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\ldots$ |
| S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 208. | $\ldots$ | 3 | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ |

Var. 2.

| 209. | ... |  | cents | ... | red | ... | white | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | .. | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 210. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | .. | S |
| 211. | ... | 3 | ," | ... | " | ... | white | ... | 8 | ... | 3, 5 | ... | S |
| 212. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 8 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 213. |  | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | white | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 214. | . | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |

Var. 3.

| 215. | .. |  | ents | ... | red | ... | white | $\ldots$ | 6 | ... | 3 | $\ldots$ | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 216. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | S |
| 217. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | S |
| 218. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " |  | buff | ... | 2 |  | 5 | $\cdots$ | S |

Var. 4.

| 219. | . |  | ents | ... | red | ... | buff | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | - | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 220. | ... | 3 | " | $\cdots$ | " | ... | ${ }^{\prime}$ | $\ldots$ | 8 | ... | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 22 I . | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | " | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | - | S |

Var. 5.
$\left.\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}222 & \ldots & 3 & \text { cents } & \ldots & \text { red } & \ldots & \text { white } & \ldots & 2 & \ldots & 3, & 5\end{array}\right) \ldots$ S

Var. 6.
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}224 . & \ldots & 3 & \text { cents } & \ldots & \text { red } & \ldots & \text { white } & \ldots & 2 & \ldots & 3,5 & \ldots \\ \text { 22 } & \ldots & & \\ \text { 22 } & \ldots & 3 & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \text { buff } & \ldots & 2 & \ldots & 5 & \ldots & \text { S }\end{array}$


- We have only seen this envelope with "specimen."

| Vilr. 7. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { No. } \\ 226 . \end{gathered}$ | ... |  | lue. <br> cents | ... | Colour. red | ... | Paper. white | ... | Knife. 6 | ... | Wmk. 5 | ... | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gum } \\ \mathrm{S} \end{gathered}$ |
| 227. | $\ldots$ | 3 | , | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 228. | ... | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 7 | $\ldots$ | - 5 | ... | S |
| 229. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | " | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| Var. 8. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 230. | ... | 3 | ents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 23 I . | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 232. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 8 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 233. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 8 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 234. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 235. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 | - | 5 | - | S |
| Var. 9. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 236. | ... |  | cents | ... | red | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 237. | '. | 3 | " | . $\cdot$ | " | - $\cdot$ | buff | ... | 7 | ... | 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 238. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | white | ... | 8 | - | 3, 5 | ... | S |
| 239. | $\ldots$ | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | buff | ... | 8 | ... | 5 | . | S |
| 240. | $\cdots$ | 3 | " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | S |
| 241. | ... | 3 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | buff | ... | 2 | $\ldots$ | 2, 5 | ... | S |

December, 1860.4 Cents, blue and red.
Var. 1.


Var. 3.

Var. 4.

| 2.48 | $\ldots$ | 4 | cents | $\ldots$ | blue $\&$ red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 9 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 249. | $\ldots$ | 4 | 1 | $\ldots$ | $\#$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 9 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ | Var. 5.

250. ... 4 cents ... blue\&red... white ... 8...$\quad 3 \quad \ldots$ S


## October, 1860.6 Cents, red.

| 252. | .. | 6 | cents | $\ldots$ | red | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\ldots$ | 5 | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 253. | $\ldots$ | 6 | , | $\ldots$ | $\#$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ |

## October, 1860 . 10 Cents, green.

| 254. | $\ldots$ | 10 cents | $\ldots$ | green | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\ldots$ | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 255. | $\ldots$ | 10 | , | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 5 | $\ldots$ |



## THE ISSUE OF 1861.

In this year new values of 12 cents, 20 cents, 24 cents, and 40 cents wore issued during the month of January, for large packages and foreign correspondence, and on August I 5 th the stamps on the 3 cents, 6 cents, and 10 cents envelopes were once more changed. The envelopes all bear the head of Washington. For the six higher values there is but one die variety each, but for the 3 cents we have discovered sixteen different varieties, which will be found illustrated on Plate VII. The illustrations of the other values are given on 1'late VIII. The varieties of the 3 cents are difficult to describe, and the illustrations are the surest guide to go by. The following particulars may, however, be also found useful in identifying specimens. In each case the measurements are taken from the circles containing the numerals.

| 2. | " | 1 | " | " | $1 \frac{3}{4}$ | " | " | 1 | " | " |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3. | " | 4 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | " | " |  |
| 4. | " | 1 | " | " | 13 | , | " | 1 | " | " |  |
| 5. | " | - | $"$ | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | $"$ | " | - | " | " |  |
| 6. | " | 1 | " | " | 13 | " | " | 1 | " | " |  |
| 7. | " | 1 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | " | " | 1 1 | " | " |  |
| 8. | " | 1 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{4}$ | " | " | 1 | , | " |  |
| 9. | " | 1 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | " | " | 1 | " | " |  |
| 10. | " | 1 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | " | " | $\frac{1}{2}$ | \% | " |  |
| 11. | " | 4 | " | " | 1 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{4}$ | " | " |  |
| 12. | " | 3 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{4}$ | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | " | " |  |
| 13. | " | 3 | " | " | $1 \frac{1}{4}$ | " | " | 4 | " | " |  |
| 14. | " | I | " | " | 11. | " | " | 1 | " | " |  |
| 15. | " | 1 | " | " | 1 | " | " | 3 | " | " |  |
| 16. | " | 3 |  | " | 11 |  | ; | 3 |  | " |  |

Var. 2. The letter a of statis is narrower at the top, and the crossstroke is higher up, than in Var. i.

Var. 3. The letters T and E of united are closer than in Vars. I and 2.
Var. 4. The c of clents is narrow and oval in shape, and the letters T and S are apart. The second E of three is tall and narrow. (The illustration has no cross-stroke to the letter T of Three, which is incorrect, as the variety has a cross-stroke, although rather a short one. The two numerals of value are also badly reproduced.)

Var. 5. The top of the c of cents is straight, instead of being curved. (The illustration is done from a damaged copy, the left numeral of value and the word UnITED having been taken from another variety, in order to complete the only specimen of Var. 5 possessed by Mr. Harrison.)

Var. 6. The C of cents is large.
Var. 7. The c of cents is narrow and oval in shape; the left limb of the T of UNITED is very short.

Var. 8. The right limb of the second T of states is short.
Var. 9. The c of cents is round. The T and E of united almost touch.

Var. 10. The letters of UNiTED are further apart than in Vars. 8 and 9.
Var. 1 . The right limb of the T of tilree is short.
Var. 12. The T and s of cents almost touch; the chin is very pointed.
Var. 13. The T and s of cents almost touch.
Var. i4. The D of United is rounder than in Var. 13. The right-hand circle with numeral runs into the outside oval.

Var. 15. The right numeral is placed low down in the circle.
Var. 16. The C of cents is large, and the letters T and S touch.

## REFERENCE LIST. <br> August 15th, 186I. 3 Cents, rose.



"The inscription "Pat. Nov. 20. 1855. . reads downiatards.

| Var. 14-(continued.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No.310. | Value. |  |  |  |  | Paper. |  | Knife, | Wmk. |  | Gum. |  |
|  | ... | 3 " | ... | " | ... | white | ... | 9 | $\ldots$ | 3 | ... | S |
| 3 II . | $\cdots$ | 3 " | ... | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 9 | $\cdots$ | 5 | . | S |
| 312. | ... | 3 " | ... | " | ... | orange | ... | 25 | paper | r, $n \mathrm{l}$ | mk. | S |
| 313. | $\cdots$ | 3 " | $\cdots$ | " | ... | " | ... | 125 | " | " |  | S |
| 314. | $\cdots$ | 3 " | ... | " | ... | white | .. | 128 | " | " |  | S |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 315. | ... | 3 cents | $\ldots$ | rose | ... | white | ... | 9 | $\ldots$ | 5 | ... | S |
| 316. | $\cdots$ | 3 " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | buff | . | 9 | $\cdots$ | 2, 5 |  | S |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. | . 16. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 317. | ... | 3 cents | ... | rose | $\cdots$ | white | ... | 7 | $\ldots$ | 5 | ... | S |
| 318. | $\ldots$ | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | 9 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| August 15th, 186ı. 6 Cents, rose. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 319. | ... | 6 cents | ... | rose | ... | white | ... | 3 | $\ldots$ | 3, 5 | $\ldots$ | S |
| 320. | ... | 6 " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 3 | $\ldots$ | 2, 5 | ... | S |
| 32 I . | ... | 6 " | ... | " | ... | white | $\cdots$ | 16 | . | 5 | .. | S |
| 322. | ... | 6 " | $\ldots$ | " | , | , | $\ldots$ | 38 | paper, | r, $n 0$ z | $n k$. | S |
| 323. | ... | 6 " | ... | " | $\ldots$. cr | reamy-bu | ... | 38 | " | " |  | S |
| August 15th, 1861. Io Cents, green. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 324. | .. | ro cents | ... | green | , | white | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 325. | ... | 10 " | ... | " | ... | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 326. | ... | 10 " | +. | " | $\ldots$ | white | ... | 11 | ... | 6,8 | ... | S |
| 327. | ... | 10 " | - | " | ... | buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 4,6 |  | S |
| 328. | ... | 10 " | ... | " | ... | white | ... | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 329. | ... | 10 " | ... | " | -. | " | ... | 9 | ... | 5 | . | S |
| 330. | $\cdots$ | 10 " | -.. | " | ... | buff | ... | 9 | $\cdots$ | 5 | ... | S |
| January, 186 r . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 331. | ... | 12 cents | - | red and | brown | amber | ... | 13 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 332. | ... | 20 " | ... | " | blue | " | $\ldots$ | 14 | $\cdots$ | 5 | ... | S |
| 333. | ... | 24 " | ... | " | green | " |  | 15 | ... | 5 | .. | S |
| 334. | +.. | 24 " | ... | " |  | creamy | buff | 15 | ... | 5 | ... | S |
| 335. | ... | 40 " | ... | " | black | amber |  | 15 | . | 5 | .. | S |
| 336. | ... | 40 " | ... | " | " | creamy | buff | 15 | . $\cdot$ | 5 | $\cdots$ | S |
| Letter-sheet Envelopes. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August, 186 I . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Var. 10. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. |  | Value. <br> 3 cents |  | Colour. |  | r'aper. <br> blue |  | Size. Note |  | Wmk |  | Gum. |
| 337. | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | $\cdots$ |  | ... |  | ... |  |  | 9 |  | S |
| $33^{8 .}$ | $\ldots$ | 3 " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\cdots$ | Letter | - ... | 9 | ... | S |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var: | 14. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 339. | ... | 3 cents | ... | rose |  | blue | ... | Note | ... | 9 | $\cdots$ | S |
| 340. | ... | 3 " | -•• | , | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | Letter | - ... | 9 | $\ldots$ | S |

## THE ISSUE OF JULY ist, 1863.

On March 3rd, 1863, an Act was passed, which established a 2 cents rate for "drop" letters, to take effect from July ist of the same year. A stamp of an entirely new design, with the head of Jackson, was adopted. For this
value we have found eight varieties, illustrated on Plate VIII., and we add a description of the more salient differences.

Var. I. Size $22 \times 2 G$ min. The letter $o$ of postage is higher up than the other letters, and is over the point of the inside frame line. The bottom of the left numeral touches, or almost touches, the line on the left.

Var. 2. Size $22 \frac{1}{2} \times 2 j \mathrm{~mm}$. The 0 of POSTAGE is to left of the point. The bottom of the left numeral is further from the frame line on the left. The bust points to the right limb of the letter w of rwo.

Var. 3. Size $22 \frac{1}{2} \times 25 \mathrm{~mm}$. O of postage to left of the point. The bust points to the middle of the letter 0 of TwO , and is placed lower down than in Var. 2.

Var. 4. Size $22 \frac{1}{2} \times 25 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. O of postage to. left of the point, and the letter $S$ of that word higher up than the other letters.

Var. 5. Size $22 \times 25^{3} \mathrm{~mm}$. $O$ of postage to left of the point. The point of the bust almost touches the frame linc. The letters of U . s . POSTAGE are nearer the inside frame line than in Var. 4.

Var. 6. Size $223 \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. O of POSTAGE is nearer the top of the point, and the right upper part of the E of that word touches the outside frame.

Var. 7. Size $22 \frac{1}{4} \times 25 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{~mm}$. The $O$ of postage is near the top of the point. The bust points to the middle of the letter w of Two. Illustrations 7 A and 7 ll are given to shew the deterioration that took place during the use of this variety. In Var. 7 neither numeral of value touches the frame lines to left, whereas in 7 A the right numeral, and in 7 B , both numerals, touch the frame lines.

Var. 8. Size $2\left[\frac{1}{2} \times 25 \mathrm{~mm}\right.$. Both numerals of value have the left lower part much more curved.

REFERENCE LIST.
July ist, i863. 2 Cents, black.
Var. 1.

| No. 34 I. | ... | Value. <br> 2 cents | ... | Colour. <br> black | $\ldots$ | Paper. <br> buff | ... | Knife. <br> 2 | $\ldots$ | Wmk <br> 5 | ... | Gum. S. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 342. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | $\ldots$ | ', | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\ldots$ | 5 | ... | U. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 343. | ... | 2 cents | ... | black | ... | buff | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | U. |
| 344. | -. | 2 " | ... | " | ... | " | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 5 | ... | S. |
| 345. | $\cdots$ | 2 cents | ... | black | Var ... | 5. buff | -* | 2 | $\cdots$ | 5 | ... | U. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 346. | ... | 2 cents | ... | black | ... | buff | ... | 11 | ... | 4 | $\cdots$ | U. |
| 347. | $\ldots$ | 2 " | ... | " | $\cdots$ | orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 6 | $\cdots$ | U. |

Wrappers.


| $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & 349 . \end{aligned}$ | ... | Value. <br> 2 cents |  | Colour black | Var. 3. Paper. ... light manila | $\begin{gathered} \text { Form. } \\ \text { I } \end{gathered}$ | ... | Wmk. 5 |  | Gum. S. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 350. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | ... | black | Var. 5. ... dark manila | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | S. |
| 351. | ... | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | Var. 6. <br> light \& dark manila | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | S. |
| 352. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | .. | Var. black | 7, 7 A, and 7 B. light \& dark manila | I | ... | 5 | ... | S. |

## THE ISSUE OF SEPTEMBER, I864

The stamps on the 2 cents, 3 cents, and 6 cents envelopes were changed in Scptember, 1864. The new designs are similar to the old ones, but the 2 cents has the inscription at the top altered from U. S. postage to U.S. post, and the 3 cents and 6 cents have the inscriptions in plainer type, and larger numerals of value. The Tiffany list describes twenty varieties of the 2 cents, and two of the 6 cents, and states that at least nineteen varieties exist of the 3 cents. We have found thirty-nine distinct varietics of the 2 cents, twenty of the 3 cents, and two of the 6 cents. These are all illustrated on Plates IX., X., XI., \& XII. As in the previous issues, we give the more distinctive features of each variety, for the benefit of students who may attempt to make up the various sets.

## 2 Cents. Head of Jackson.

Var. I. Size $25 \frac{1}{2} \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the letter O of two. C of CENTS under the point of the frame line above. O of Two low down.

Var. 2. Size $24 \times 26 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle limb of the letter w. C to left of the point.

Var. 3. Size $24 \frac{1}{2} \times 26 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right limb of the w . C to left of the point.

Var. 4. Size $24 \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle limb of the W. C under the point. U of $\mathrm{U} . \mathrm{s}$. touches the line below.

Var: 5. Size $24 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the $0 . \quad$ c under the point. Letters po of ros'r close together.

Var. 6. Size $244 \times 26 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the riglit limb of the w. C to left of the point. EN of CENTS far apart.

Var: 7. Size $24 \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the O . C to left of the point. U almost touches the line below, and O of pOST almost touches the line above.

Var. 8. Size $23 \frac{3}{3} \times 26 \pm \mathrm{mm}$. The bust points to the right limb of the $w$. c to left of the point. T of rwo almost touches the line below.

Var. 9. Size $24 \frac{1}{2} \times 25^{\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0. c to left of the point. Ce very close at the top.

Var. 10. Size $24 \frac{1}{4} \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right limb of the w. $C$ to left of the point. $O$ of POST near the point.

Var. II. Size $23 \frac{3}{4} \times 26 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points between the letters w and $O$. P of POST almost touches the line above. Letters ENTS are high up.

Var. I2. Size $24 \times 25 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the o. Letters TW touch at the top.

Var. 13. Size $24 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0 . C almost touches the line below. (Illustrations $13 \mathrm{~A}, 14 \mathrm{~A}, 15 \mathrm{~A}$, and 40 A show the deterioration that took place during the use of these varictics.)

Var. 14. Size $23 \frac{1}{2} \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the letter O. Letters EN are far apart. In Var. $14 \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{C}$ touches the point, and the letters TS touch.

Var. 15. Size $25 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0 . The letters EN are closer than in Var. I4. In Var. 15 A , the letter E touches the point.

Var. 16. Size $24 \frac{3}{4} \times 26 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right line of the 0 . C to left of the point.

Var. I7. Size $25 \times 26 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0 . c to left of the point. $O$ of TwO and $C$ of CENTS close.

Var. I8. Size $26 \times 253^{3} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0. $c$ to left of the point.

Var. 19. Size $25^{3} \times 25^{3} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right line of the 0 . C to left of the point. Letters ENTS very close to the line above.

Var. 20. Size $26 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the letter O. C to left of the point. Letters CE close at the top.

Var. 21 . Size $26 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the o . C to left of the point. Tw touch, or almost do so, at the top.

Var. 22. Size $26 \frac{1}{4} \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points between the $w$ and 0 . $C$ to left of the point. $C$ and $T$ of CENTS very close to the line above.

Var. 23. Size $25 \times 27 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the O . C to left of the point. S of U. S. very close to the line above.

Var. 24. Size $26 \times 253 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right line of the O . Letters U. S. are very low down, and PO are close together. (A mistake occurs in the illustrations given on Plate X., the stamps numbered 24 and 25 being the same varicty. The real Var. 24 of Mr. Harrison is the same as his 27 , so the total number of varietics is reduced to thirty-nine.)

Var. 25. Size $26 \times 26 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0 . Letter $S$ of POST is lower than the or T. (Illustration 2G.)

Var. 26. Size $253 \times 25 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0 . The back stroke of the $E$ of CENTS touches, or almost touches, the point. The $s$ of $U$. $S$. is low down, and the $N$ of CENTS is higher than the $T$. (Illustration 27.)

Var. 27. Size $25 \times 25 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right line of the 0. $N$ of CENTS is higher than the T. (Illustration 28.)

Var. 28. Size $26 \times 25 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0 . Letters PO are close, as are also CE. $C$ almost touches the line below. (Illustration 29.)

Var. 29. Size $25 \frac{1}{2} \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0. S of U. S. almost touches the line above. (Illustration 30.)

Var. 30. Size $26 \times 25 \frac{8}{4} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0 . TW almost touch at the top. (Illustration 3i.)

Var. 31. Size $26 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0 . T of CENTS almost touches the line above. (Illustration 32.)

Var. 32. Size $25 \frac{3}{3} \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0 . Letters PO are close, and CE are also close. (Illustration 33.)

Var. 33. Size $26 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0 . (Illustration 34.)

Var. 34. Size $26 \frac{1}{2} \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the 0 . Letters TS of CENTS are close. (Illustration 35.)

Var. 35. Size $26 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the middle of the o . s of U. S. low down. Letters of POST are far apart. (Illustration 36.)

Var. 36. Size $26 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right of the 0. (Illustration 37.)

Var. 37. Size $26 \frac{1}{4} \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the right line of the o . S of POST close to the line above. C of CENTS close to the line below. (Illustration 38.)

Var. 38. Size $26 \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the 0 . Letters ENT are very close to the line above. (Illustration 39.)

Var. 39. Size $26 \frac{4}{4} \times 25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. The bust points to the left line of the o . Letters lin are very close to the line above. (Illustration 40.) In Var. 39 A (Illustration 40 A ) EN, and some of the other letters, touch the lines.

## 3 Cents. Head of Washington.

As in the case of the 3 cents of August, 1861, we preface our description of the varictics by giving a table of the distances the various parts of the inscription are from the large numerals of value at the side of the stamp.


Var. 1. The letters hres of three are far apart, as are also the letters en of cents. Letters ta of states are close.

Var. 2. The lettera hre are close, as also en. Ta far apart. The lower part of the left numeral touches the frame-line.

Var. 3. The letters HRE, EX, and TA are all close together.
Vor. 4. The letters EE of TIIREE are apart, as also EN. TA close. The lower part of the right numeral touches the frame-line.

Var. 5. The letters EE: are closer than in the last variety. EN are very close, and TA are close.
l'ar. 6. The letter D of UNited, and the first S of STATES, are further apart than in Var. 5.

Var. 7. The letters ee are further apart than in Var. 6.
lor. 8. The letters fee are very close, and so are the TS of CENTS. The lower part of both numerals touches the frame-line.
loar: 9. The letter D of UNitisd and the first S of states; and the last E of THREE and the C of CENTS, are further apart than in Var. 8.

Vor. io. The letters at of states are closer than in Var. 9. The lower part of the right numeral touches the frame-line.

Var. if. The letters it of UNited, and ST of states, are further apart than in Var. 10. The lower part of the right numeral touches the frame-line.

Var. 12. The letters ed of United are closer than in Var. in.
Var. 13. The letters TE: of UNited are fitther apart than in Var. 12.
Var. 14. The last E of Three, and the C of ceats are further apart than in Var. 13. The lower part of the left numeral touches the frame-line.

Var. 15 . The TE of UNitid, and TA of states, are closer than in Var. 14. The lower part of the left numeral touches the frame-line.

Far. 1G. The TE: of UNITED, and St of states, are further apart; and the eN of CENTS are closer than in Var. 15.

Var. 17. The letters exts of clexts are further apart than in Var. 16.
Var. 18. The TE of UNITED, and TS of ceNTS, are closer than in Var. 17. The lower part of both numerals touches the frame-line.

Var. 1g. The te of united, at of states, and ts of cents, are all further apart than in Var. is.

Var. 20. The letters ree of thisee are further apart than in Var. 19.

## 6 Cents. Head of Washington.



(In each case the measurements are from the numerals.)
Var. 2. The letters Th of states, and IX of six are further apart, and the letters CE and NT are closer than in Variety 1 . The left numeral is also nearer the left frame line, and the word six is placed lower down.


| No. $354 .$ | $\ldots$ | Value. <br> 2 cents | .. | Colour. black | Var. 2. I'aper. buff | .. | Knife. II | ... | $\begin{gathered} \text { Wmk. } \\ 5.6 .7 . \end{gathered}$ | ... | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gum } \\ \mathrm{S} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 355. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... " | ... | 11 | ... | 5.6.7. | ... | U |
| 356. | $\cdots$ | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 5. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 3. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 357. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 5. 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| $35^{8}$. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 5.6.8. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 7. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 359. | ... | 2 cents | . $\cdot$ | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 6. | ... | S |
| 360. | ... | 2 | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 1 I | ... | 6. 8. | $\ldots$ | U |
| 36 I . | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 12 | ... | 6. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 8. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 362. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | ... | black | buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 6. | ... | S |
| 363. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | I I | $\ldots$ | 5.6.8. | $\cdots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 9. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 364. | ... | 2 cents | ... | black | ... buff | ... | 11 | ... | 5. 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 365. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 5. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 10. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 366. | ... | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | ... buff | $\cdots$ | 11 | ... | 5. 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 367. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 5.6.8. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. im. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 368. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | ... | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 1 I | $\ldots$ | 6. | ... | S |
| 369. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\cdots$ | 15 | ... | 6. 8. | ... | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 12. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 370. | $\cdots$ | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | ... buff | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 371. | $\cdots$ | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 5. | ... | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 13. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 372. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 37.3 | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 8. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 14. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 374. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 5. 6. | $\cdots$ | S |
| 375. | $\cdots$ | 2 " | $\cdots$ | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 1 I | $\ldots$ | 8. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 15. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 376. | $\ldots$ | 2 cents | ... | black | ... buff | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 377. | ... | 2 " | $\cdots$ | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 6. | $\ldots$ | U |
| 378. | - | 2 " | $\cdots$ | " | ... buff | ... | 12 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\cdots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 16. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 379. | -• | 2 cents | $\cdots$ | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\cdots$ | S |
| 380. | $\cdots$ | 2 " | $\cdots$ | " | . orange | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 17. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 381. | ... | 2 cents | ... | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| $3^{82}$. | $\cdots$ | 2 " | $\cdots$ | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 11 | $\cdots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | U |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 18. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 383. | ... | 2 cents | $\ldots$ | black | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 11 | ... | 4. 6. | $\cdots$ | S |
| 384. | ... | 2 " | ... | " | ... orange | $\ldots$ | 1 t | ... | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 385. | $\ldots$ | 2 " | ... | " | ... ${ }^{\text {, }}$ | ... | 11 | ... | 4. 6. | .. | U |
| 386. | ... | 2 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 12 | $\ldots$ | 4. | $\ldots$ | U |




| No. |  | Value. |  | Colour. | Paper, |  | Knife. |  | Wmk. |  | Gum. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 443. | $\cdots$ | 3 cents | ... | rose | ... white | ... | 9 | $\ldots$ | 8. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 444. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... amber | ... | 9 | $\ldots$ | 8. | . $\cdot$ | S |
| 445. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 12 | .. | 4. $5 \cdot$ | ... | S |
| 446. | ... | 3 cents | $\ldots$ | rose | Var. 13. ... white | ... | 17 | $\cdots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| 447. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... amber | ... | II | ... | 8. | ... | S |
| 448. | ... | 3 cents | ... | rose | Var. Iq. ... amber | ... | II | ... | 8. | ... | S |
| 449. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... buff | $\ldots$ | 9 | $\ldots$ | 4. 6. | ... | S |
| 450. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | " | ... | 12 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| $45^{1}$. | ... | 3 cents | ... | rose | Var. 15. ... white | ... | 17 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| 452. | $\ldots$ | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | " | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| 453. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... amber | ... | 11 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| 454. | ... | 3 " | ... | " | . white | ... | 12 | $\ldots$ | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 455. | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | ... | rose | Var. 16. ... buff Var. 17. | ... | I I | - | 5. | ... | S |
| 456. | ... | 3 cents | ... | rose | ... white | ... | 9 | ... | 8. | ... | S |
| 457. | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 3 " | ... | " | ... buff | ... | 11 | ... | 6. | $\ldots$ | S |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 18. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 458. | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | $\cdots$ | rose | ... white | ... | 1 | ... | 5. | ... | S |
| 459. | ... | 3 " | ... | " | ... " | ... | 17 | $\ldots$ | 6. | ... | S |
| 460. | $\ldots$ | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | buff | $\ldots$ | 9 | . | 6. | ... | S |
| 461. | -. | 3 " | ... | " | amber | ... | 9 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| 462. | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | $\cdots$ | rose | Var. 19. ... white | $\cdots$ | 11 | $\cdots$ | 6. | ... | S |
| 463. | ... | 3 cents | ... | rose | Var. 20. ... white | ... | 11 | ... | 5. 6. | $\cdots$ | S |
| 464. | ... | 3 " | ... | " | ... buff | ... | 11 | ... | 5.7. | ... | S |
| 465. | $\ldots$ | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... white | ... | 12 | ... | 5. | $\ldots$ | S |

## September, $1864 . \quad 6$ Cents, rose.

Var: 1.

| 466. | ... |  | ents | ... | rose | ... | white | ... | 16 | ... | 5.6.8. | ... | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 46\%.* | $\ldots$ | 6 | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | 16 | $\cdots$ | 5.6.8. | , | S |
| 468. | $\ldots$ | 6 | " | $\ldots$ | ; | $\ldots$ | buff |  | 16 | $\cdots$ | 4. 5.6.7. | ... | S |
| 469.* | ... | 6 | " | ... | " | ... | " |  | 16 | ... | 4. 5.6.7. |  | S |

Var. 2.

| 470. | $\ldots$ |  | cents | $\ldots$ | rose | ... | white | ... | 16 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 471. | ... | 6 | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\ldots$ | amber | ... | 16 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| $472 . *$ | $\ldots$ | 6 | " | $\cdots$ | " | $\ldots$ | " | $\cdots$ | 16 | $\cdots$ | 8. | ... | S |

IIorizomtal laid lines.


Var: 32. (Illustration 33.)


Var. 39 \& 39 A. (Illustrations 40 \& 40 A.)
499. ... 2 cents ... black ... light yellow-buff ... in ... 8. ... S

## THE ISSUE OF 1865.

On July 24 th, 1865 , the stamps on the 3 cents and 6 cents envelopes of the preceding issue were changed in colour; and in December of the same year envelopes with stamps of a new design were issued, of the following values : 9 cents, 12 cents, 18 cents, 24 cents, 30 cents, and 40 cents. All bear the head of Washington. No description of the dic varieties is necessary, as those of the 3 cents and 6 cents are the same as for the $186 \neq$ issue, and there is only one variety for each of the other values. Illustrations of all the varieties found in this issue are given on l'lates XI. and XII.

REFERENCE LIST.
Juls 24th, $1865 . \quad 3$ Cents, brown.
Var. 1.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & 500 . \end{aligned}$ | ... | Value. <br> 3 cents | ... | Colour. brown | I'aper. <br> ... white | $\ldots$ | Kinife. $16$ | $\ldots$ | Wmk. 8. | ... | Gum. S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 501. | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... amber | ... | 16 | ... | 8. | $\ldots$ | S |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 2. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 502. | ... | 3 cents | ... | brown | . white | ... | 16 | ... | 6. | ... | S |
| 503.* | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... | $\ldots$ | 16 | ... | 8. | ... | S |
| 504. | ... | 3 " | ... | " | ... buff | ... | 16 | $\ldots$ | 4. 6. | -+. | S |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 3. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 505** | $\ldots$ | 3 cents | $\ldots$ | brown | ... white | $\ldots$ | 16 | $\ldots$ | 8. | ... | S |
| 506. | $\ldots$ | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | amber | $\ldots$ | 16 | $\ldots$ | 8. | $\ldots$ | S |
| 507. | $\cdots$ | 3 cents | $\ldots$ | brown | Var. 5. ... buff | $\ldots$ | 16 | ... | 6. | ... | S |
| 508.* | -•• | 3 cents | - | brown | Var. 7. ... white | ... | 16 | $\cdots$ | 6. | ... | S |
|  |  |  |  |  | Var. 10. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 509. | ... | 3 cents | ... | brown | ... white | ... | 16 | ... | 8. | ... | S |
| 510. | ... | 3 " | ... | " | ... amber | $\ldots$ | 16 | ... | 8. | ... | S |
| 511.* | ... | 3 " | $\ldots$ | " | ... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\ldots$ | 16 | ... | 8. | ... | S |



July 24th, $1865 . \quad 6$ Cents, purple.
Var. 1.
5i8. ... 6 cents ... purple ... white ... in ... 6. 8. ... S

 Vur. 2.

| 521. | $\ldots$ | 6 cents | $\ldots$ | purple | $\ldots$ | white | $\ldots$ | II | $\ldots$ | 8. | $\ldots$ | S |
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| 522. | $\ldots$ | 6 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | , | $\ldots$ | amber | $\ldots$ | II | $\ldots$ | 8 |  |




December, 1865. 12 Cents, claret and brown.




December, $1865 . \quad 30$ Cents, green.

| 533. | $\ldots$ | 30 cents | $\ldots$ | green | $\ldots$ | buff | $\ldots$ | 15 | $\ldots$ | $5 \cdot 7$. | $\ldots$ | $S$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 534. | $\ldots$ | 30 | $\#$ | $\ldots$ | , | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | 15 | $\ldots$ | 5. | $\ldots$ |

December, 1865. 40 Cents, rose.
535. ... 40 cents $\ldots$ rose $\ldots$ buff $\ldots$ I 15 ... 4. 5. 6. 7. ... S


* Horizontal laid lines.



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Plate IV


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Plate VI

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Plate VIII





Plate IX


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Plate XI



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