

MEXICO

Provisional Issues

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Chihuahua

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I have not been able to trace the accounts for this District and cannot throw any light on the stamps below.

The oval one is illustrated in Moens 1892 and three values are listed.



Postage and revenue
10 centavos



Postage

This stamp is illustrated in Bellord's "Campeche". The "25" is not so well centered showing the stamp was made in ~~the~~ two printings

Postage has another purpose



Postage and revenue
50 centavos

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Puebla

Puebla.

The stamps shown below were made for the Chicago Exhibition 1893 but I have failed to trace that anything of a similar character was ever in use. On the contrary the previous page shows how the stamps of the 1861 issue were being used - up to November 15 - and I have traced the accounts from 1st January 1868 which clearly show week by week up to receipt of new "1868" issued in September.

Value of correspondence franked with the "setto negro" for want of stamps. The only period for which I could not trace accounts was from 15th November to 31st December 1867 and I consider these stamps as "fantasies".



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Chalco

1867



On 28. October 1890 Sr. Miguel Vargas wrote to a friend who had asked him about a stamp similar to the one above that "these stamps were in circulation from the month of May 1867 until June in the same year and General Mejia then jefe de Hacienda on my initiative and with the approval of General Diaz gave instructions that they should cease using them immediately."

He goes on to say "I have had a copy to make comparison with the one you submit but as I recognized all the details which I remember perfectly I consider the stamp authentic and, as such, you can acquire same with confidence."

In the year 1869 Sr. Vargas was holding a responsible position and acted as "Inspector" at the important Post Office of Puebla. I have a photograph of one of the statements from this office and also one of the letters before referred to (with the stamp affixed) and finding the signatures exactly corresponded I made inquiry and found that Sr. Vargas was living at Puebla and I arranged to be introduced to him.

He told me - without knowing I had seen the letter what is stated above and

I am satisfied a "Provisional" was in use at Chalco

It will be noted that the first supply of the regular Provisional stamps was not sent until August 3. Sales at Chalco being so small it is very unlikely a letter will ever be found dated May or June 1867 franked with a "Chalco Provisional" and I cannot say whether the stamp above is genuine or not. The cancellation is of a type belonging to a later period.



A photograph of a similar stamp to above is found in Bellows' book on "Campeche" page 10. The postmark is identical & shows stars each side of the oval similar like above. W.T. Wilson has another in his stock-book signed by him. I have seen a third copy - (posting) dated as above. Have seen a fourth Fontanaes 25 Jan 1933. do a fifth Schlumberger above.

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Chalco Provisional

1867

2 Reales



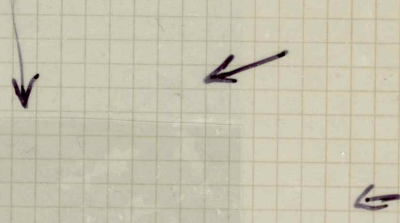
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Tlaxcala

Tlaxcala

This office was under Puebla to the end of the Maximilian period but commencing with the 1868 series it was treated as a District Office.

I have a note to the effect that from 1st January to 10th September 1868 Puebla and all branch Offices had to make use of the "sello negro" for want of stamps but as the sales from Tlaxcala are not reported it would seem likely the independence of this office was arranged some time between the end of January 1867 and 1st January 1868.

I have no record of sales in 1867 except from Puebla & v. and know nothing of the history of the stamp below.



Similar stamps of 1rl. + 2 rls. values are illustrated in Bellows's Campeche. They are used copies.

Chalco

Un sello que dice:
Admon Gual de Correos
de Chalco.

Numero 2.

Enero de 1867

Factura numero dos que comprende el numero de sellos remitidos en esta fecha a la Admon Gual de Mexico, segun orden del Sr Admon Gual del 17 del presente.

Sellos.

De a 7 cent?	De a 13 cent?	De a 25 cent?	De a 50 cent?	De a 100 cent?	Paos	Costaros.
210	200	1800	770		880	70.

Conforme.
Villada.
Rubrica.

Es copia.

Chalco Enero 23 de 1867.

Rafel Ybarrola.
Rubrica.

A checked is an official copy of the Chalco invoice returning number of Mexican stamps to the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. The invoice was returned on 23 January 1867 and the first assignment of the Mexico Office was not sent until August 1867. The invoice was referred to by Don M. B. B. in his report on the subject of the Mexican stamps, only with reference to the date.

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Zacatecas



Nothing is known about the above stamp. The cancelation appears to be an imitation of the one in use 1861-3 but is much too small.

A similar used copy is illustrated in Bellows' book on "Campeche"

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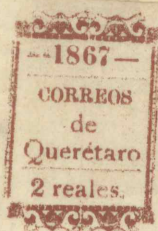
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Queretaro

Queretaro

Unfortunately I have not been able to trace the 1867 accounts for this District. The letters on preceding page show that the "Sello negro" was in use as early as Feb. 1867 and was also in use June 26, 1868. It is possible that Queretaro has seen some of the "Guadalajara" stamps and decided as a matter of convenience to issue a "provisional" and when this was noticed by the authorities at Headquarters they would no doubt issue instructions to discontinue the issue as in the case of Chalco. The stamp is illustrated in Moens 1892 edition.



also illustrated in Bellows "Campeche"