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UNITED STATES 1893 COLUMBIAN COMMEMORATIVE POSTAL STATIONERY ISSUE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS EXHIBIT IS TO SHOW FACETS OF THE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, AND USAGES OF THE UNITED STATES COLUMBIAN COMMEMORATIVE POSTAL STATIONERY.

The following items are Photo Copies of proposed designs for the 1893 United States Columbian Postal Stationery. Apparently the proposed designs had been submitted to the Office of Postmaster General, where Photo Copies were made and submitted to various Officials or individuals for comment and suggestions for a final design.









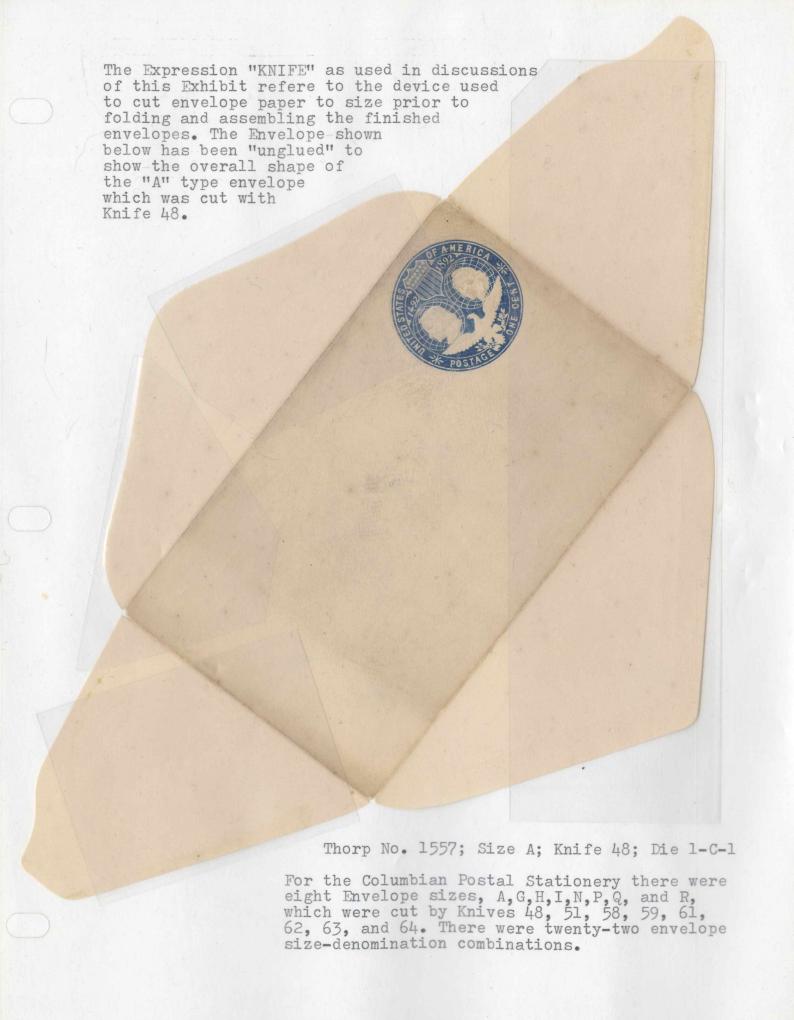




The Auction Description of this item was, "Cover E 2c Violet Columbian Essay Entire-149x93mm, Thorp No. 113 Variety, Unlisted in Catalogue, rare and very Fine, ex-Barkhausen".

In a search for information one Philatelist's Opinion was, "It is off-color, and is a relatively poor print of Thorp 1563, Size P, Die 2Al, Watermark 11, 149x93 mm, therefore it could be a Trial Color Proof". Another Philatelist's opinion is, "It could be an error of Color, as the color is very similar to the normal 5c Columbian".

At the least, this is an Interesting, Controversial, Different, Unusual and Rare Item.





maldorg a radning A Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-1

AN ERROR OF COLOR?

dropped down.

This cover was postally used to Germany, with no additional postage, and no indication that it was a reduced rate. The color matches that of the regular Columbian Five Cent Envelope and it apparently was not questioned by either United States or German Postal Personnel.



ESSAY: Two Cent; Type 3 - E6e; Size Q 95-160

issued entire



ALMOST AN ALBINO



Thorp 1583 Size G Knife 51 Die 2-D-2

A Printer's Problem, a misplaced stamp, dropped down.

"Hoffman" Rosendale Cement,

or WILLIAM STREET,

NEW YORK.



Thorp 1563; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-A-1

A double Impression, maybe a printing mistake or perhaps "Printer's Waste".



A DOUBLE IMPRESSION

One inked in the normal color and the other showing on the right with no ink.

This Envelope is Die Type "A"; Size N; and Knife 58.

This Envelope Die Type and Size is not listed in Thorp or UPSS Catalogue of Stamped Envelopes.

THIS ENVELOPE APPEARS TO BE AN UNIQUE ITEM.



AN OFFSET PRINTING
Thorp 1561, Size R, Knife 64, Die 1 C 3



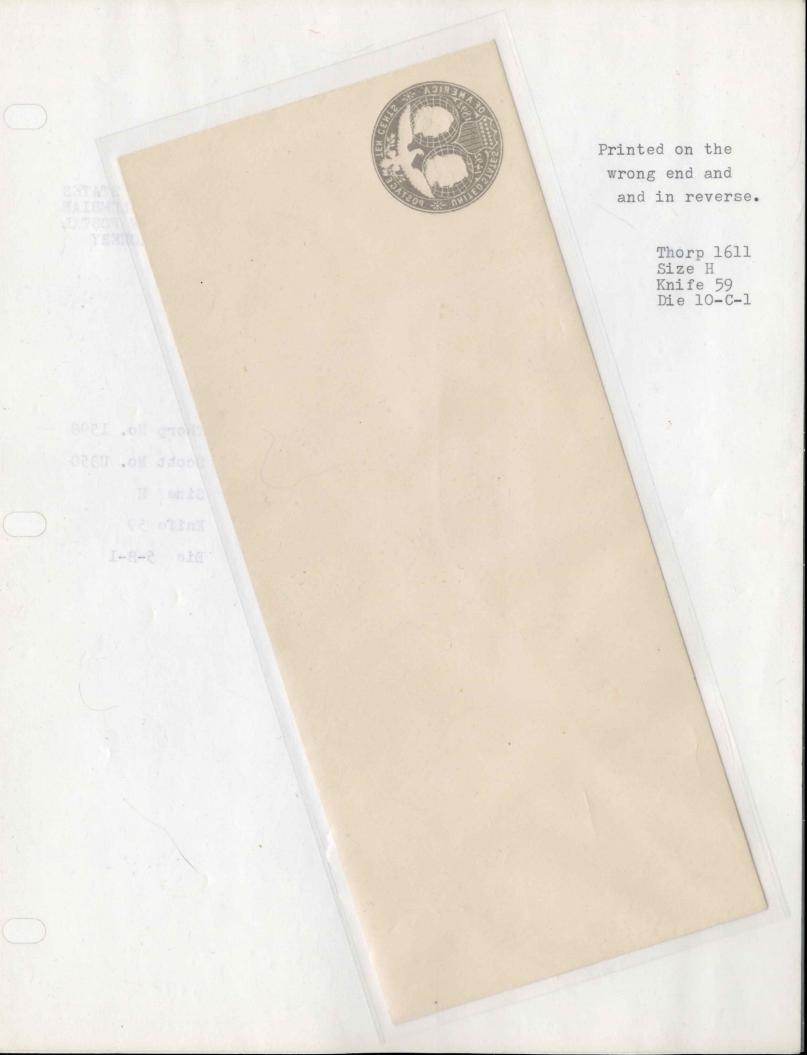


Printed on the wrong end and in reverse.

Thorp 1577 Size I Knife 61 Die 2-C-5

Thorp No. 1500

Thorp No. 150



Another Printing Problem.

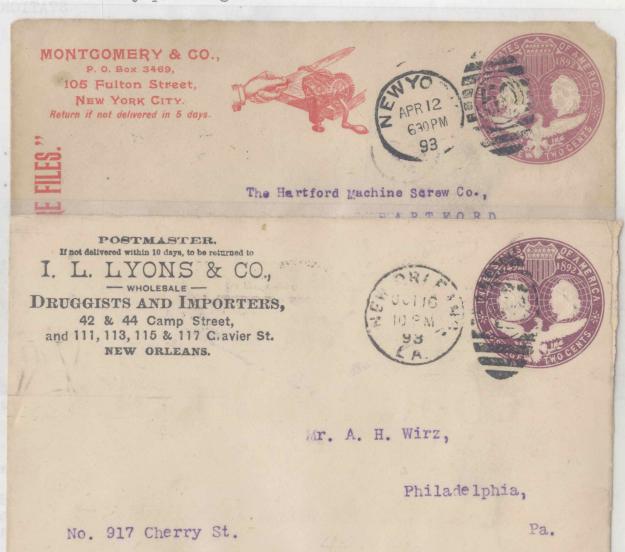


The Stamp on this entire United States Columbian Envelope has about one fourth of the printing of the Stamp missing, probably as a result of some unspecified printing problem.

Thorp 1570; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2Bl

These two envelops show the contrast in the early and later printings of Thorp 1566.

Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-l Early. This is the early printing and shows the inferior detail of the early printings.



Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-1 Late. This is of the later printings and shows the better printing detail of the later Printings.

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During the printing of the United States Columbian Postal Stationery it was apparently very difficult to maintain a constant and uniform shade of colors used for the various denominations. Apparently the mixing and blending of the inks used for the printing were not exact and the materials were most likely not well standardized. The color shades at the beginning of a printing run would likely vary considerably from that at the end of an individual printing run. Also shade variations could vary considerably from printings that were spaced at a month or more apart, which would most likely have different mixtures of ink components.

Thorp 1549a; Dark Blue; Size P; Knife 62; Die 1-A-1

uniform shade of colors used for the various denominations.



Thorp 1549b; Milky Blue; Size P; Knife 62; Die 1-A-1







Thorp 1572a Dark Violet Size A Knife 48 Die 2-C-10

Thorp 1572b Red Violet Size A Knife 48 Die 2-C-10

Thorp 1579a
Dark Violet
Size N
Knife 58
Die 2-C-1

Thorp 1579b
Red Violet
Size N
Knife 58
Die 2-C-1



Thorp 1569a Dark Violet Size P Knife 62 Die 2-B-2

Thorp 1569b Light Violet Size P Knife 62 Die 2-B-2

Thorp 1570a
Dark Violet
Size Q
Knife 63
Die 2-B-1

Thorp 1570b Light Violet Size Q Knife 63 Die 2-B-1



Thorp 1590a
Dark Brown
Size P
Knife 62
Die 5-A-1

Thorp 1590b Light Brown Size P Knife 62 Die 5-A-1

Thorp 1595a Dark Brown Size R Knife 64 Die 5-A-1

Thorp 1595a Light Brown Size R Knife 64 Die 5-A-1



Thorp 1600a
Dark Brown
Size Q
Knife 63
Die 5-B-1

Thorp 1600b Light Brown Size Q Knife 63 Die 5-B-1

Thorp 1601a Medium Dark Brown Size R Knife 64 Die 5-B-1

Thorp 1601b
Medium light
Brown
Size R
Knife 64
Die 5-B-1



Thorp 1610a Dark Slate Size Q Knife 63 Die 10-C-1



Thorp 1610b Light Slate Size Q Knife 63 Die 10-C-1



Thorp 1610a Dark Slate Almost Black Size Q Knife 63 Die 10-C-1

If not delivered in Five Days return to H. E. DEATS, FLEMINGTON, NEW JERSEY.



Thorp 1610b Light Slate Almost Brown Size Q Knife 63 Die 10-C-1

REVALUED
Thorp 1555, Size N, Knife 58, Die 1-B-1



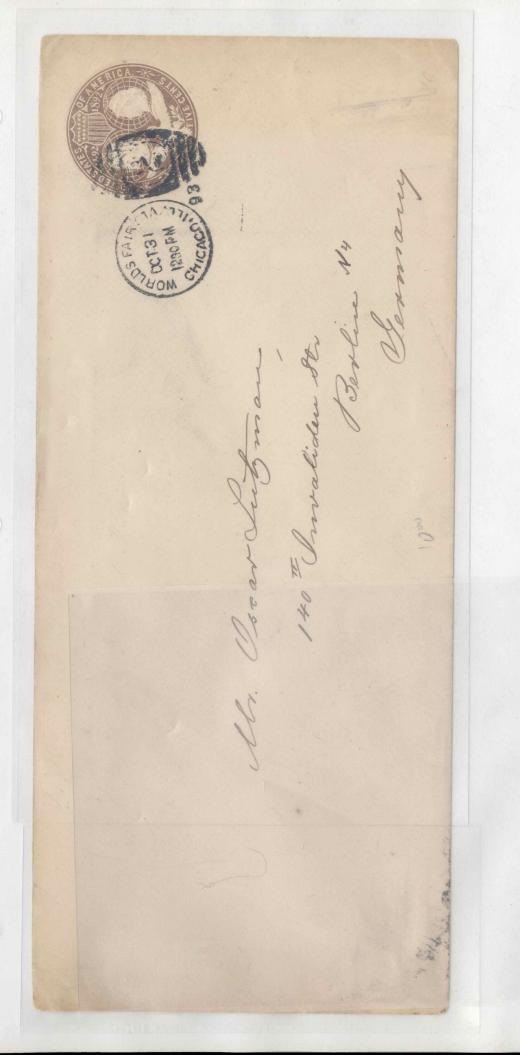
REVALUED
Thorp 1557, Size A, Knife 48, Die 1-C-1

#### REVALUED ITEMS

The Envelope below and the two on the following Page are Type 8, Revalued as a result of change in rates effective April 15, 1925 pertaining to Mailing printed matter.



Thorp 1549, Size P, Knife 62, Die 1-A-1



Thorp 1593 Size I Knife 61 Die 5-A-1

Thorp 1550 Size Q Knife 63 Die 1-A-1 A World's Fair Station Cancellation, probably as an accommodation for a "hand back" for convenience to persons attending the "World's Fair Postal Station.

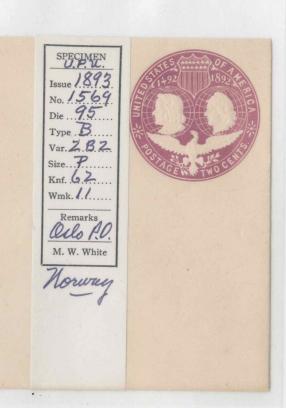
Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-3



Thorp 1610; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 10-C-1

A World's Fair Station Chicago May 27, 1893 5PM cancellation on the First Day that the World's Fair Postal Station was in operation.

# UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION EXCHANGE ITEMS





Eighteen Thousand copies of the 1893 United States Columbian Postal Stationery were selected to furnish items to Universal Postal Union Members. The following seven envelops were sent to Norway to comply with U.P.U. requirements relative to Exchange of information concerning issuance of new Postal items. How these items were obtained by the Postal Stationery Expert Marcus W. White would be an interesting story. Pertinent information concerning the following seven items appears on the Certified M. W. White information bands.







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Interesting covers to an early Philatelic Crook

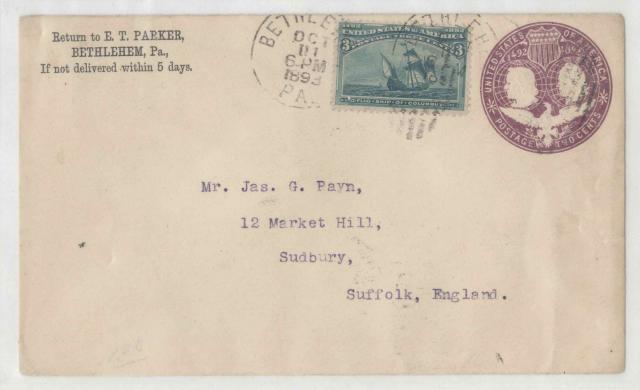


Both Thorp 1549; Size P; Knife 62; Die 1-A-1

On page 48 of Herman Herst's Book "Fun and Profit in Stamp Collecting" the following information appears, " a Stamp Dealer Rogue from San Francisco, a Frenchman named Georges Carion".

Foreign Usages of U. S. Columbian Postal Stationery.
Thorp 1553; Size P; Knife 62; Die 1Bl





### EXAMPLES OF USAGE

Thorp 1561; Size R; Knife 64; Die 1-C-1
One cent rate for printed material to Belgium.



Thorp 1549; Size P; Knife 62; Die 1-A-1
One cent rate for printed material to Germany.

# Typical Foreign Usage Thorp 1590, Size P, Knife 66, Die 5 A 1





Thorp 1574, Size P, Knife 62, Die 2 C 7

## Commercial Usages of United States Columbian Postal Stationery Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-7





Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-3

Thorp 1561; Size R; Knife 64; Die 1-C-2



U. S. Columbian Postal Stationery with postage Due Stamps are difficult to find.



A late usage of
U. S. Columbian
Postal Stationery
that indicates
the revival of
interest in the
Columbian Issue
of Stamps that
occurred during
the late "twenties"
and "early
"thirties".

Thorp 1560; Size N; Knife 58; Die 1-C-3

Foreign Usages of U. S. Columbian Postal Stationery
Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2C7

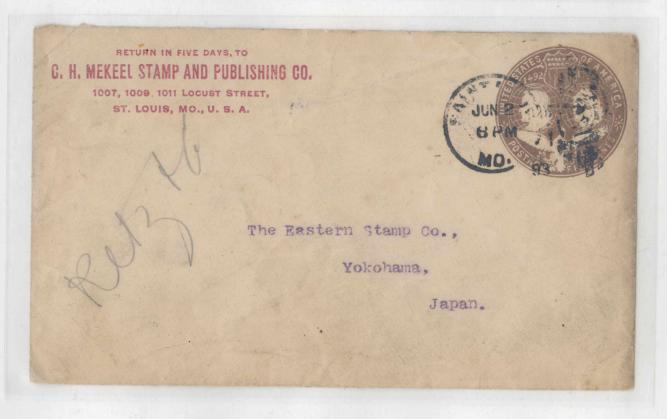




Thorp 1594; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 5Al

A Stamp Dealer's Letter to India.
Thorp 1600; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 5-B-1





A Stamp Dealer's Letter to Japan.
Thorp 1600; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 5-B-1

Advertising Covers from the Day and Age when SMOKING SMOKESTACKS were a sign of progress.

Thorp 1578; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-C-2



Thorp 1578; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-C-4.

An early United States Stamp Dealer
Thorp 1549; Size P; Knife 62; Die 1Al







E. F. GAMBS,

Coin and Stamp Dealer.

SAN FRANCISCO.

P. O. BOX 2631

CAL.

R. STOLLENWERK.

POSTACE STAMPS.

LIEBENTHAL, RUSH COUNTY, KANS,
U. S. A.

Format:0 Nº 70

Mr. Erwin Domnike

\*Germany

Berlin S, 59 Shoenlein At Mos2

Thorp 1595; Size R; Knife 64; Die 5Al A Stamp Dealer from the "Mid-West" showing Philately had an early start in the Mid-Section of our Nation.

A Territorial Cover from New Mexico. Thorp 1563; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-A-3



Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-7
A Territorial Cover from Arizona.

A colorful, different and unusual advertising Cover with the United States Columbian Postal Stationery.



Thorp 1554; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 1Bl

These two "JUNK" covers are shown to emphasize the changing trends in Philately. In the "Gay Nineties" used stamps were worth more "off cover" than "on cover". This led to defacing and "ruining" many covers that would now be called "Premium".

Thorp 1578; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-C-4



An unusual item with improper usage of a United States Columbian Postal Stationery Stamp.



The Stamp from a United States Columbian Postal Stationery envelope was cut-out, carefully trimmed, then glued to another envelope along with a three cent U. S. Columbian adhesive Stamp. This combination was mailed to a German address. Neither the Domestic or Foreign Postal Services noted this improper Stamping procedure.

The Die variety of this Stamp is 2Al however the envelope size and Thorp number were lost with the trimming.



and/or America, with a total of nine working Dies.

B. No Meridian back of Columbus' head, periods after words cents and/or America, with a total of four working Dies.

C. Meridian back of Columbus' head, no periods after words cents and/or America, with a total of sixteen working Dies

D. No Meridian back of Columbus' head, no periods after words cents and/or America, with a total of two working Dies.

The remainder of this presentation is the featured part of this Exhibit:

#### DIE VARIETIES AND ENVELOPE SIZES

There are eighty one listed working Die - Envelope Size combinations consisting of: 16 One Cent; 50 Two Cent; 12 Five Cent; and 3 Ten Cent. Each Die Variety has a characteristic that identifies it from all other combinations.

Identity mark for Die 1-A-1 is a colored line cutting into the outer frame line of the Right Globe adjacent to right bottom of the Shield.



Thorp 1548
Size A
Knife 48
Die 1-A-1



Thorp 1549
Size P
Knife 62
Die 1-A-1

Return to COLUMBIA NATIONAL BANK, CHICAGO, Ill., If not delivered within 5 days.



Thorp 1550 Size Q Knife 63 Die 1-A-1 Identity mark for Die 1-B-l is a vertical colored line in the left side of the Shield joining with the two regular lines to make a three line bar for the Shield.



Thorp 1551 Size A Knife 48 Die 1-B-1



Thorp 1553 Size P Knife 62 Die 1-B-1

Return to ITHAOA TRUST CO., Savings Bank Building, ITHAOA, N. Y., If not delivered within 5 days,



Thorp 1554
Size Q
Knife 63
Die 1-B-1



Thorp 1556; Size R; Knife 64; Die 1-B-1

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Identity mark for the One Cent Die 1-C-1 is a white line connecting one claw of the Eagle's right talon to inner frame line above "O" of One.

Thorp 1557; Size A; Knife 48; Die 1-C-1



Thorp 1560; Size N; Knife 58; Die 1-C-4

Identity mark for the One Cent Die 1-C-4 is a thin white line extending downward from the center of the junction of the two globes.

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Identity mark for the One Cent Die 1-C-2 is a short white dash extending from the right bottom of the Shield downward to right Globe line.



Thorp hat 1501; Scott Mo. Usad; Size, h; Imize Oa; Die 1-0-2

Identity mark for the One Cent Die 1-C-3 is a white dash extending diagonally from "D" of "United" to the outer frame line.

Thorp 1560; Size N; Knife 58; Die 1-C-3



Thorp 1561; Size R; Knife 64; Die 1-C-3

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Identity Mark for the Two Cent Die 2-A-l is an extra curved horizontal line under Columbus' Head just above the Wing.

Thorp 1563; Size P; Knife; Die 2-A-l

Thorp No. 1560; Scott No. U348; Size N; Maire 58; Die 1-C-3



Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-1

Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-A-2 is a straight white dash touching curved horizontal line under Columbus' Head.

Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-2



Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-A-3 is a 1/4 inch white dash under "P" of Postage.

Identity Mark for the Two Cent Die 2-A-4 is a thin white line from the inner Frame Line below "D" of "United" to outer left Globe line at second from top horizontal Globe line.

Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-4



Thorp 1566; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-A-6

Identity for the Two CentDie 2-A-6 is a small white dash in the letter "D" of United.



The Die 2-A-7 seems to be the most difficult to identify. Identity seems to rest on the way that differes from the rest of the Series A Dies of of the two cent Dies.

Thorp 1564 Size H Knife 59 Die 2-A-7

# CHARLES ESTÉ, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL LUMBER MERCHANT,

20TH ST., ABOVE YORK ST., PHILADELPHIA.

RETURN, IF NOT CALLED FOR IN FIVE DAYS.

Mr. R. C. Lippincott,

925 Chestnut St.,

Phila.



Thorp 1566 Size Q Knife 63 Die 2-A-7



Identity mark for the Two Cent 2-A-5 Die is five vertical white lines between the right wing of the Eagle and the feathers of it's right leg.

Thorp 1565 Size I Knife 61 Die 2-A-5

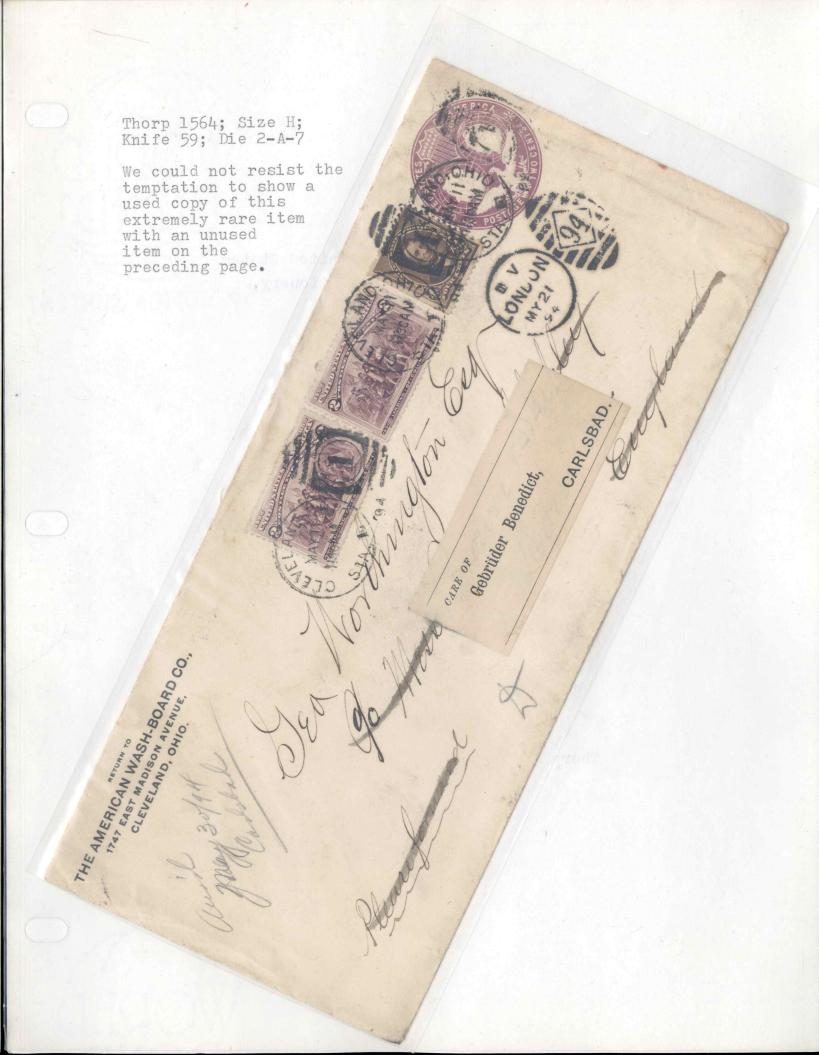
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Size A
Knife 48
Die 2-A-5

ALVIN, Brazoria Co., Texas, If not delivered within 10 days.

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Thorp 1565 Size I Knife 61 Die 2-A-7 Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-B-l is a Vertical white dash placed diagonally between the third and fourth Meririans, from the left, over Columbus' head to form a V.

Thorp 1570; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-D-1



Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-B-2 is an extra Horizontal white dash under and touching curved Horizontal line under Isabella's head.

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Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-l is, more vertical lines under Columbus' head than any of the rest of Die C Varieties.

Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-1



Thorp 1579; Size N; Knife 58; Die 2-C-1

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Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-2 is a colored dash cutting into inner frame line at tip of left wing.

Thorp 1575 Size G Knife 51 Die 2-C-2



Thorp 1578 Size Q Knife 63 Die 2-C-2

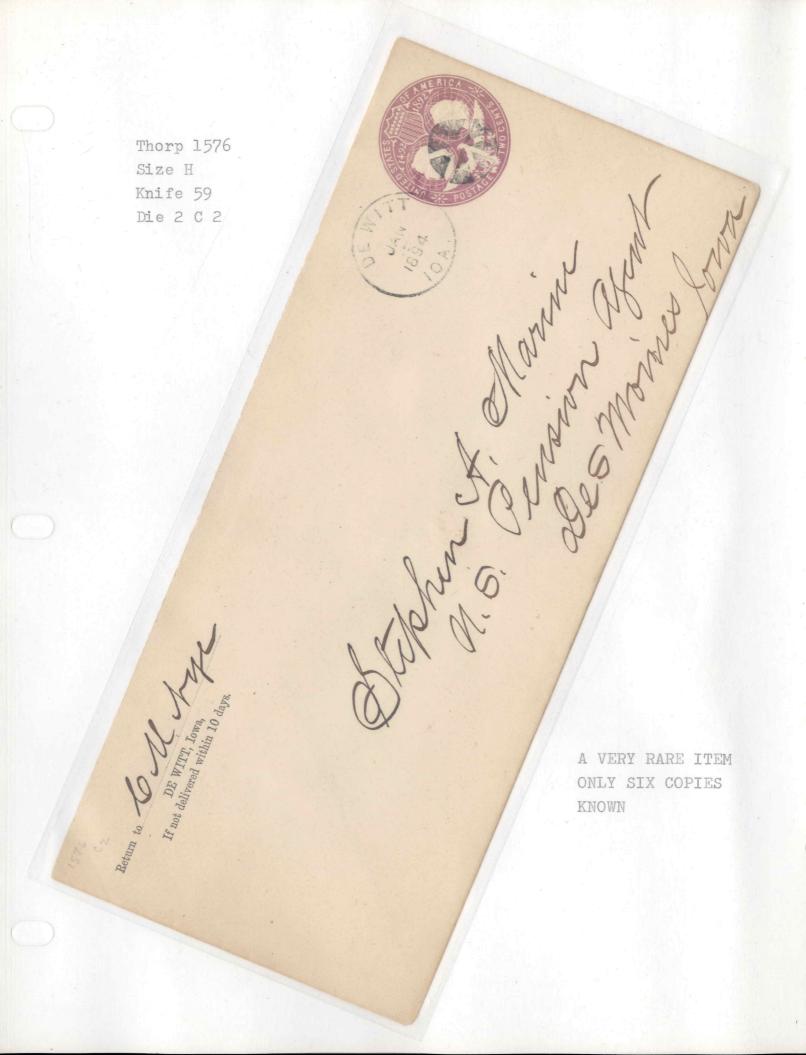


Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-2 is a colored dash cutting into inner frame line at tip of left wing.

Thorp 1575
Size G
Knife 51
Die 2-C-2



Thorp 1578 Size Q Knife 63 Die 2-C-2



Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-3 is a white horizontal dash between outer frame line and "O" of "OF".

Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-3

Return to..... WOOSTER, Ohio, If not delivered within 10 days. Return to FIRST NATIONAL BANK, LOGANSPORT, Ind., If not delivered within 10 days, Steller Sental Co.

Thorp 1578; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-C-3



Thorp 1579, Size N, Knife 58, Die 2 C 3



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Thorp 1576 Size H Knife 59 Die 2-C-3

Thorp No. 1974



Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-4 is a short white line from left Globe frame line extending outward to point of Shield.

Thorp 1576 Size H Knife 59 Die 2-C-4

JOHN F. BRENNAN,

Assignee,
No. 45 Warburton Avenue,
YONKERS, N.Y.



Thorp 1578 Size Q Knife 63 Die 2-C-4 Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-5 is a colored dash in the letter "A" of "Postage" giving the impression of a double line.

Thorp 1578; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-C-5



Thorp 1580; Size R; Knife 64; Die 2-C-5



Inite 63; Die 2-0-5

Thorp 1577
Size I
Knife 61
Die 2-C-5

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Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-6 is a tongue in Eagles mouth, however overinking will sometimes obscure it.

Thorp 1578; Size Q; Knife 63; Die 2-C-6



Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-7

Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-7; is a straight white dash right of right feather of arrow near tail of Eagle.

Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-8 is a white dot under ornament at "O" of "OF" and over "8" of "1892" • C-



Thorp 1574; Size P; Knife 62; Die 2-C-8

One Envelope size was printed with this working Die namely P which is shown below.

Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-7 is a straight white a white dash right of right feather of arrow near tail of Eagle.

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9. Patrick & Co. Bankers,
Pittsburgh,
Pa

Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-9 is three lines in left vertical bar of the Shield.

Thorp 1577 Size I Knife 61 Die 2-C-9

One Envelope s



## Messrs. MUNN & CO.,

No. 361 BROADWAY,

NEW YORK,

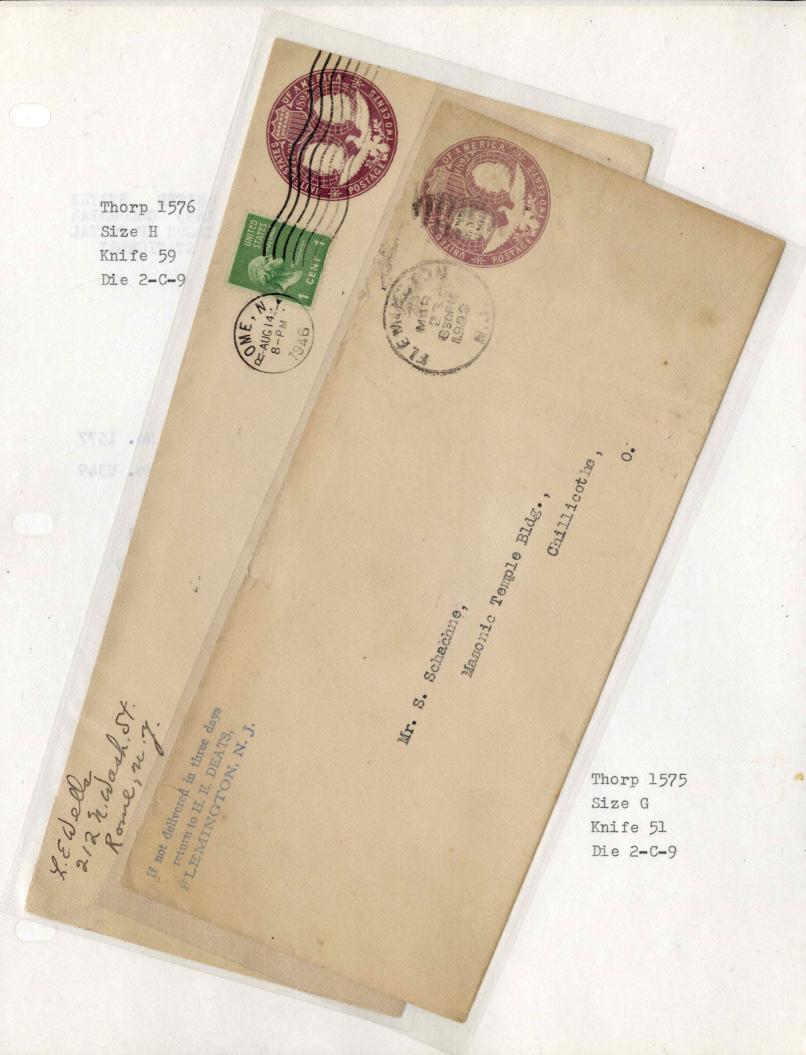
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Thorp 1572 Size A Knife 48 Die 2-C-9

Return to ALEXANDER & 00, MONONGAHELA, Washington Co., Pa., If not delivered within 5 days.



Thorp No. 1576;

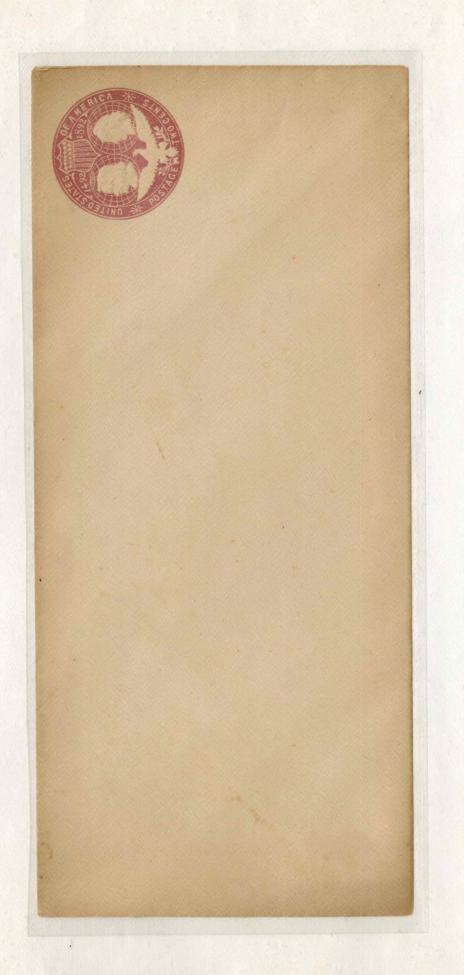


Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-10 is a tapered white line extending from the left globe frame lint outward to the Eagle's beak, a sort of "spur".

Thorp 1572; Size A; Knife 48; Die 2-C-10



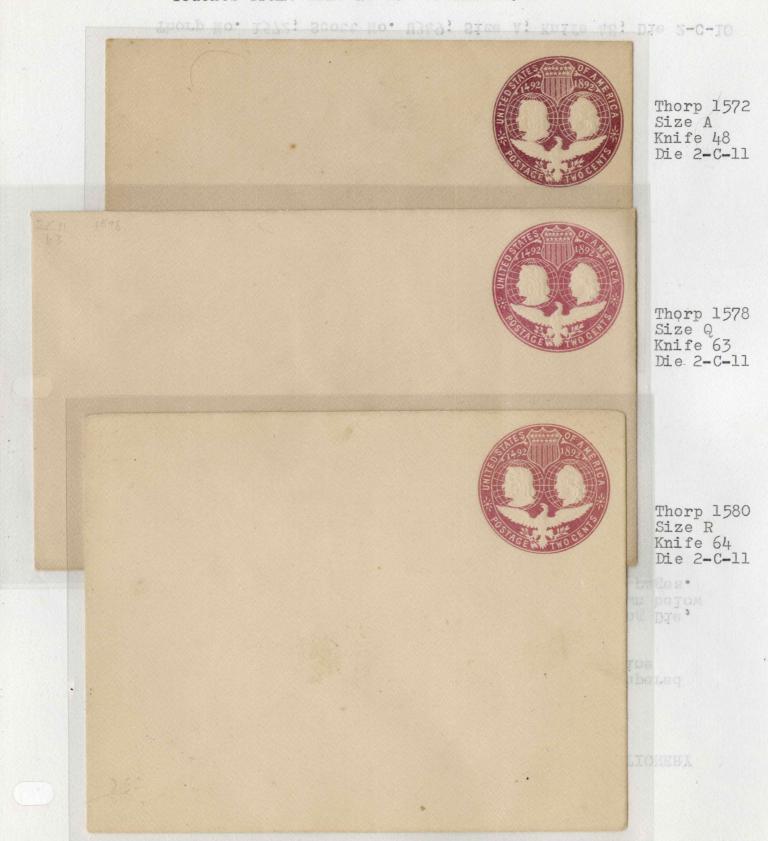
Thorp 1580; Size R; Knife 64; Die 2-C-10



Thorp 1575
Size G
Knife 51
Die 2-C-10

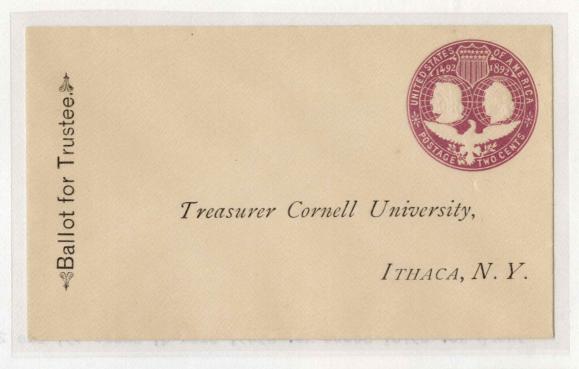
Thorp No. 1576 Scott No. U349 Size R Knife.59 Die 2-0-9

UNITED STATES 1893 COLUMBIAN ISSUE OF POSTAL STAMFOMERY Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-C-ll is a colored vertical dash in inner frame line where left Globe Touches frame line at "U" of United.



Identity mark for the Two Cent Die 2-D-1 is a white lump or blunt spur on the left Globe frame line adjacent to the pointed tip of the Shield.

Thorp 1581; Size A; Knife 48; Die 2-D-1





Identity Mark for the Two Cent Die 2-D-2 is, left inner Frame line is not continuous between shaft of arrow and left side of Eagle's Tail.



Thorp 1583
Size G
Knife 51
Die 2-D-2





Identity mark for the Five Cent Die 5-A-1 is a small white dash extending in a little from the inner frame line over "P" and "O" of Postage.

Thorp 1591 Size G Knife 51 Die 5-A-1



Thorp 1590 Size P Knife 62 Die 5-A-1



Thorp 1592
Size Hore 2-7-7
Knife 59
Die 5-A-1



Thorp 1594
Size Q
Knife 63
Die 5-A-1

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Thorp 1593 Size I Knife 61 Die 5-A-1



Thorp 1595 Size R Knife 64 Die 5-A-1 Phorp No. 1595; Scott No. U350; Shee R; Knife OA; Die 5-A-1.

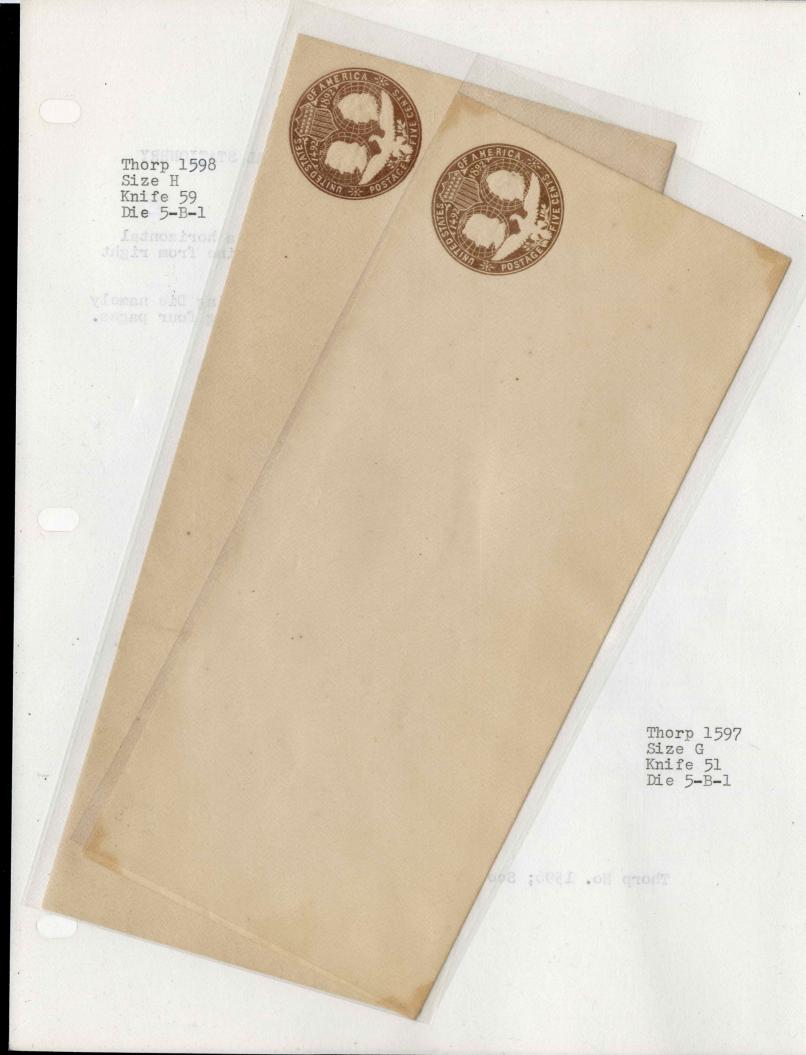
Identity mark for the Five Cent Die 5-B-l is a horizontal curved line does not connect third meridian line from right to lower curl of Liberty's hair.

Thorp 1596; Size P; Knife 62; Die 5-B-1



Thorp 1601; Size R; Knife; Die 5-B-1

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Thorp 1599 Size I Knife 61 Die 5-B-1



Thorp 1600 Size Q Knife 63 Die 5-B-1



Identity mark for the Ten Cent Die 10-C-1 is a short white dash extending from left to right Globe frame line, just under tip or point of Shield.

Thorp 1611 Size H Knife 59 Die 10-C-1



Thorp 1610 Size Q Knife 63 Die 10-C-1



Thorp 1612 Size I Knife 61 Die 10-C-1