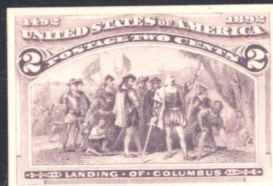


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2¢ ESSAY - BI-COLORED PRESENTATION

Featured here is a large die essay of the proposed 2¢ "Mississippi River Bridge" stamp printed in the proposed colors of ox-blood red frame with black vignette. The subject was changed for issued 2¢ stamp.

These essays were printed on India paper and die sunk on large cards for presentation. The example here has been removed from card and cut close.



BI-COLORED ESSAY
286-E8 - 2¢ DARK RED & BLACK
ON INDIA PAPER - REMOVED FROM CARD



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8¢ ESSAY - BI-COLORED PRESENTATION

Featured here is a large die essay printed the proposed bi-color issue colors with a dark livid brown frame and black vignette. This essay uses an incomplete vignette die, with unfinished edges near the frame.

This essay was printed on India paper and mounted (not sunk) to presentation card.



BI-COLORED ESSAY
289-E4 - 8¢ DUSKY RED & BLACK
ON INDIA PAPER - DIE MOUNTED ON CARD