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POSTAL USAGE

OF THE 15 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

TO DOMESTIC DESTINATIONS



ON EXPO OVERPRINTED PARAGUAYAN ENTIRE WITH WORLD'S FAIR CANCELLATION, PREPARED BY CHICAGO STAMP DEALER.

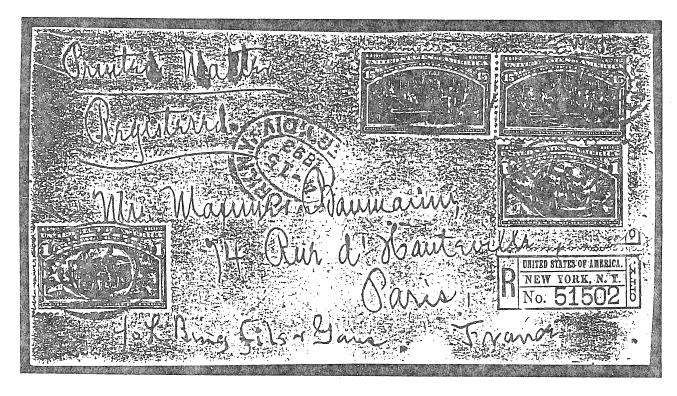


ON 5 CENT COLUMBIAN ENTIRE, TO MAKE THE REGISTRY FEE AND THE RATE FOR A SIX OUNCE FIRST CLASS LETTER.

TO FOREIGN DESTINATIONS



WORLD'S FAIR CANCELLATION ON A 1 CENT COLUMBIAN ENTIRE, REPRESENTING TRIPLE THE U.P.U. LETTER RATE TO GERMANY, AND A 1 CENT OVERPAYMENT.

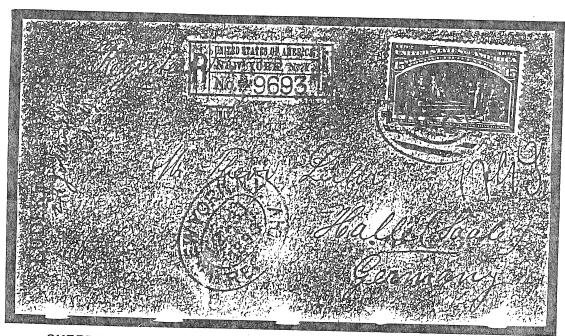


WITH THE 1 CENT VALUE ON A PACKAGE WRAPPER, TO MAKE THE REGISTRY FEE AND 24 CENTS POSTAGE TO PAY FOR 48 OZ. OF PRINTED MATTER.

TO FOREIGN DESTINATIONS



WITH THE 5 CENT 1890 REGULAR ISSUE, WITH NEW YORK SUPPLEMENTARY MAIL CANCEL, REPRESENTING DOUBLE THE U.P.U. RATE, VIA STEAMSHIP 'TEUTONIC' TO GERMANY.



OVERPAYMENT OF THE SINGLE WEIGHT REGISTERED LETTER RATE TO HALLE. ELAPSED DELIVERY TIME 12 DAYS.

TO FOREIGN DESTINATIONS



THREE SINGLES ON A 4 CENT ENTIRE, WITH THE 4 CENT 1895 REGULAR ISSUE, RED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT AND VIOLET SAN FRANCISCO REGISTRY HANDSTAMPS AND NEW YORK TRANSIT MARKINGS. MAKES REGISTRY FEE AND 4 1/2 OZ. U.P.U. RATE.

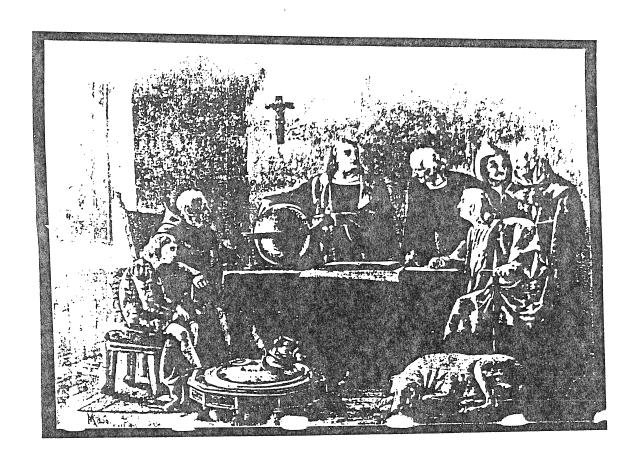


LATE USAGE CLOTH LINED FRONT, WITH THE 15 CENT 1902 AND THE 1 AND 5 CENT 1908 REGULAR ISSUES, TO MAKE THE REGISTRY FEE AND THE PRINTED MATTER RATE FOR A 14 OZ. SHIPMENT.

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THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN STAMP

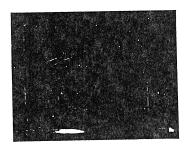
DERIVATION OF THE DESIGN



THE PAINTING 'COLUMBUS BEFORE THE DOMINICANS'
BY SPANISH ARTIST FELIPE MASO SERVED AS THE
SUBJECT FOR THE 30 CENT DENOMINATION
ENTITLED COLUMBUS AT LA RABIDA.

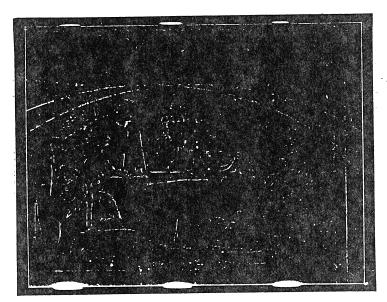
THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

FERROTYPE PLATE

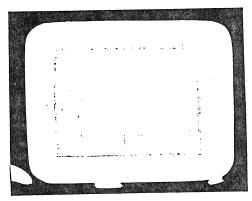


THE FERROTYPE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS WAS USED TO REDUCE THE IMAGE TO THE EXACT SIZE REQUIRED FOR THE VIGNETTE.

THE OUTLINE IN RED THEN WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE STEEL DIE TO SERVE AS A GUIDE TO THE ENGRAVER, ALFRED JONES.



ENLARGEMENT OF THE FERROTYPE IMAGE



IMPRINT FROM RAISED RED LINE PRESSED INTO WHITE CARDBOARD AND FILLED WITH RED INK.

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THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

ESSAY



WATER COLOR AND INK ON STIFF WHITE DRAWING PAPER BY ALFRED S. MAJOR, DESIGNER.

SILVER PRINT VIGNETTE ENTITLED 'COLUMBUS PRESENTING NATIVES TO FERDINAND AND ISABELLA', EVENTUALLY USED AS THE SUBJECT FOR THE 15 CENT DENOMINATION.

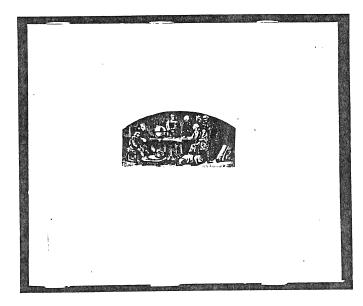


PHOTOGRAPHIC ENLARGEMENT OF MODEL

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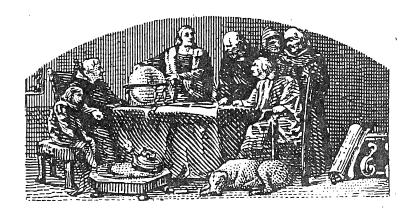
ENGRAVER'S PROGRESSIVE DIE PROOF

FIRST STATE OF THE DIE



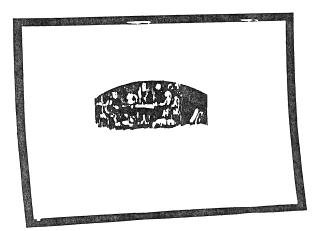
BLACK ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

- UVERTICAL LINES ONLY ON EDGE OF LOW OCTAGONAL TABLE.
- DOG BONE ON FLOOR AND NO CORNER JOINT ON WINDOW AT LEFT.
- ☐ ENGRAVING OF FIGURES AND BACKGROUND QUITE INCOMPLETE.



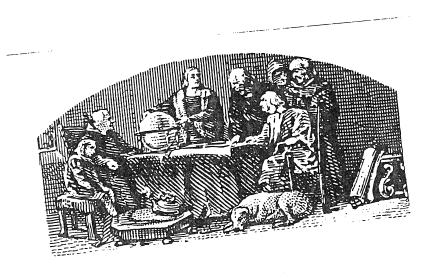
PHOTOGRAPHIC ENLARGEMENT OF VIGNETTE

SECOND STATE OF THE DIE



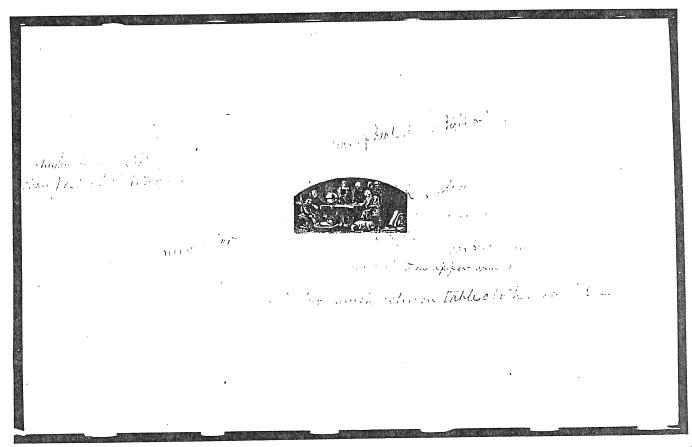
SEPIA ON INDIA - DIE BUNK ON CAHD

- HORIZONTAL LINES ADDED TO EDGE OF OCTAGORAL LABLE
- DOG BONE ENGRAVED OVER AND JOINT ADDED TO WINDOW PHAMI.
- □ WALL BELOW WINDOW DARKENED WITH HORIZONTAL DASHES.



ENGRAVER'S PROGRESSIVE DIE PROOF

SECOND STATE OF THE DIE WITH MODELLING

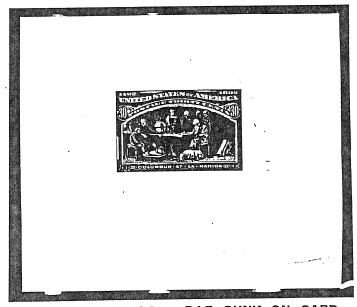


BLACK ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD - PENCIL MODELLING

- HANDWRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS TO ENGRAVER IDENTIFIED AS THOSE OF ABNC PRESIDENT JAMES MACDONOUGH.
- ☐ INSTRUCTED CHANGES APPEAR IN LATER STATES OF THE DIE.

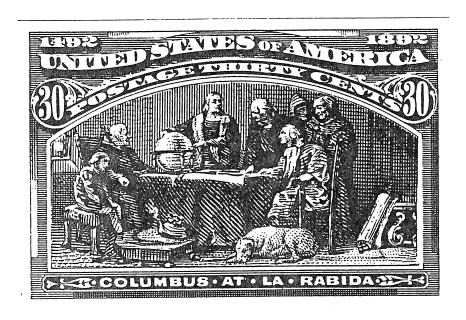


THIRD STATE OF THE DIE

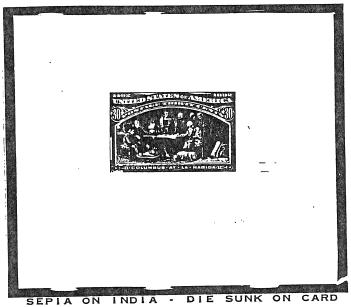


SEPIA ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

- PATTERN IN RIGHT FOREGROUND CARPETING, AND BACK WALL.
- ☐ DIAGONAL DASHES IN CARPET AT LEFT AND MORE DETAIL IN FIGURES AT RIGHT HALF OF TABLE.
- UIGNETTE NOT FULLY ENGRAVED TO FRAME LINE AT TOP.



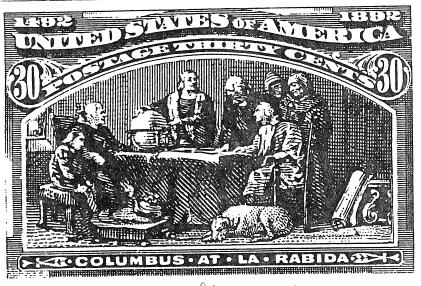
FOURTH STATE OF THE DIE





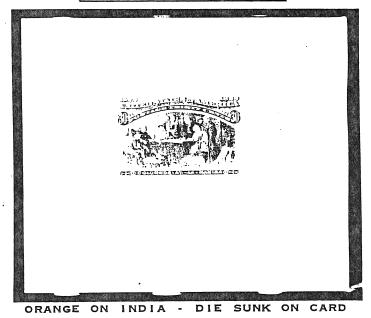
SAME STATE PULLED IN ORANGE

- LINES AT TOP OF VIGNETTE EXTENDED TO EDGE OF FRAME.
- MORE DETAIL IN DOG'S HIND END AND FACE OF FIGURE AT RIGHT.



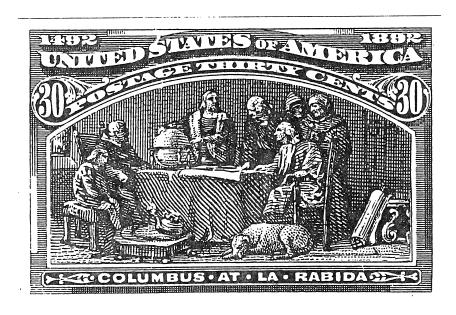
ENGRAVER'S PROGRESSIVE DIE PROOF

FINAL STATE OF THE DIE



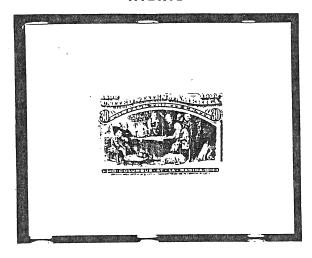
NOT THE ISSUE COLOR - A TRIAL COLOR DIE PROOF USING THE HARDENED DIE, AS INDICATED BY IMPRINT OF ABNC AND DIE NUMBER C-269. ISSUE COLOR - ORANGE BROWN.

- ☐ WALL DARKENED AT CENTER REAR WITH DASHES AND ACID ETCHING.
- \hfill more detail in faces of all figures, especially man seated at left, the boy and columbus.
- LINES STRENGTHENED IN OCTAGONAL TABLE TOP AND MORE CROSS-HATCHING ON BOY'S LEG.
- OUTLINE OF COLUMBUS' ARM MADE HEAVIER ABOVE GLOBE.



TRIAL COLOR PROOF

HYBRID



ORANGE ON INDIA - CUT CLOSE - BLOCK SUNK ON INDIA ON CARD

ENLARGED EXAMPLES OF PROGRESSIVE ENGRAVING



FIRST STATE

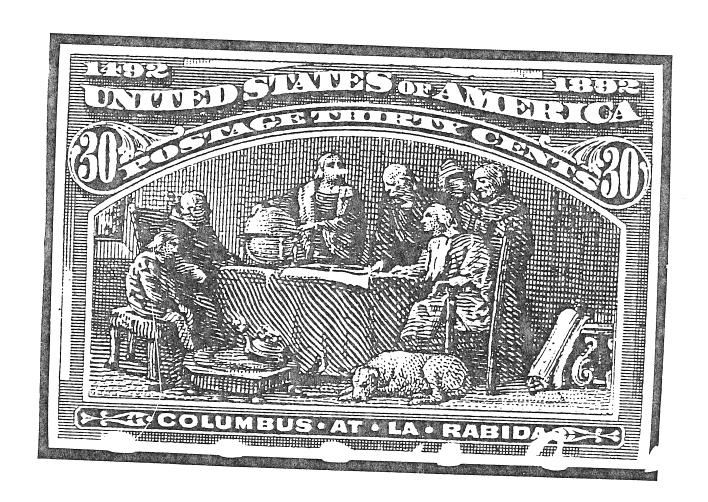




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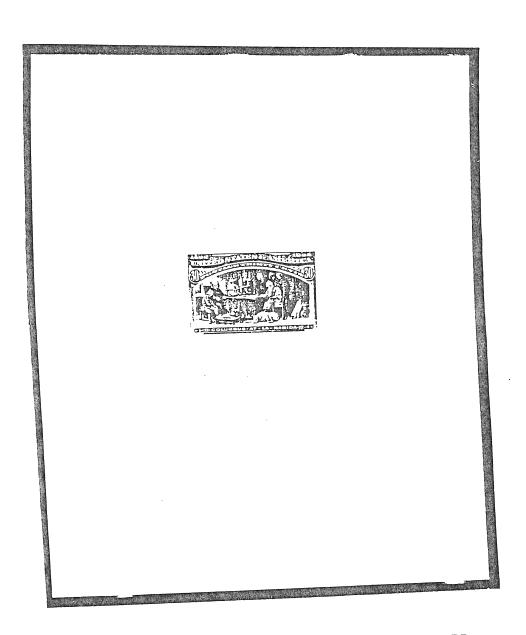
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DETAIL OF COMPLETED STAMP DESIGN

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LARGE DIE PROOF



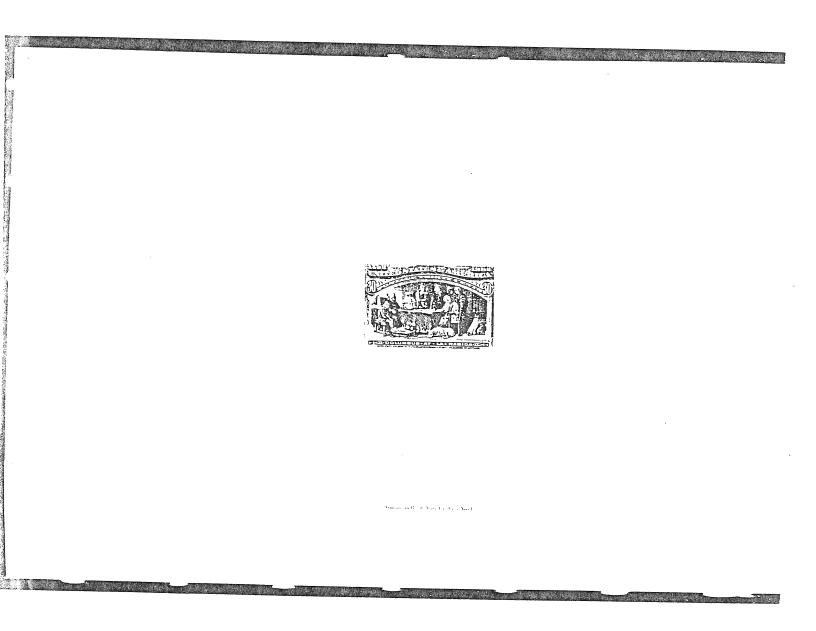
SIENNA BROWN ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

LARGE DIE PROOF



SIENNA BROWN ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

RARELY SEEN IN THIS 226 BY 150 MILLIMETER PRESENTATION SIZE.



SIENNA BROWN PRINTED DIRECTLY ON 215 X 141 MM. CARD

LARGE DIE PROOF

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ORANGE BROWN ON INDIA - CUT CLOSE - BLOCK SUNK INDIA ON CARD SINKAGE AREA OF 70 X 58 MM. DOES NOT CONFORM TO DIE SIZE.

SMALL DIE PROOFS

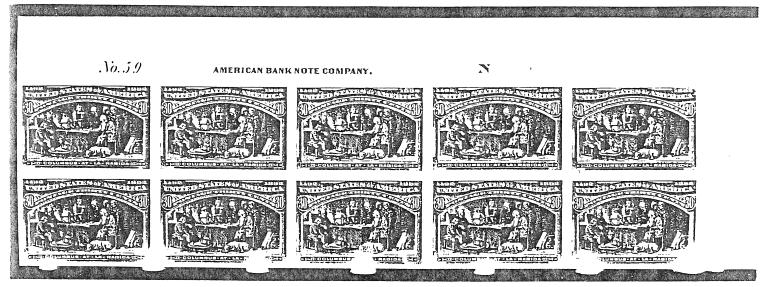


ORANGE BROWN ON WHITE WOVE - MOUNTED ON GRAY CARD FROM A 1903 'ROOSEVELT' ALBUM



DARK ORANGE BROWN ON YELLOWISH WOVE A 1915 'PANAMA-PACIFIC' PROOF

PLATE PROOFS



ORANGE BROWN ON CARD
UPPER RIGHT PLATE NUMBER AND IMPRINT BLOCK OF TEN



ON CARD

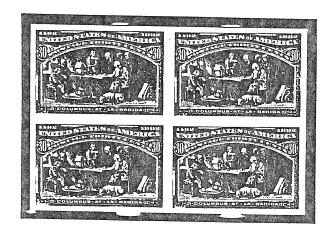
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PLATE PROOFS



ORANGE BROWN ON INDIA
ON ORIGINAL CARD



ORANGE BROWN ON INDIA RIGHT MARGIN STRIP OF THREE



HANDSTAMPED IN DULL VIOLET



ON WOVE PAPER

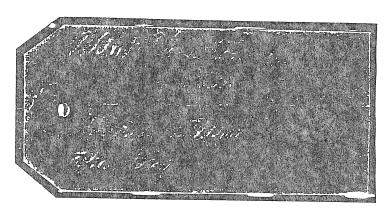


A LOWER LEFT PLATE NUMBER AND IMPRINT BLOCK OF TEN ONLY 6,173 - 100 SUBJECT SHEETS WERE PRINTED

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TO DOMESTIC DESTINATIONS



PHOTOGRAPHIC REPRODUCTION REVERSE SIDE OF THE TAG.

A VERTICAL PAIR ON A TAG USED TO MAIL A HEAVY ITEM FROM WEST LEBANON, N.N. TO FAIRVIEW, UTAH.

Post Office Department.

Post Office At Rochester, N. Y.

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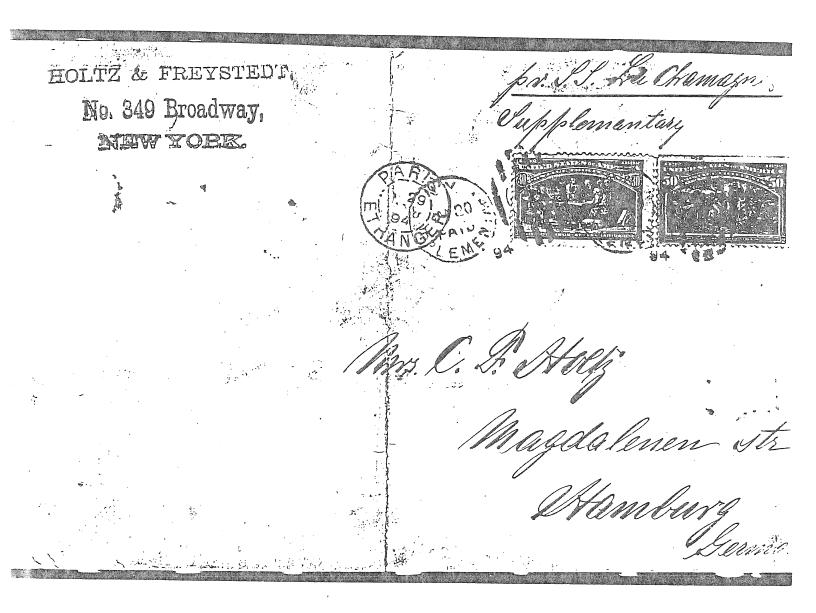
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ON A POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT REGISTERED OFFICIAL ENVELOPE TO MAKE 11 TIMES THE FIRST CLASS LETTER RATE PLUS REGISTRY.

OF THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

TO FOREIGN DESTINATION



COMMERCIAL USAGE OF A CLOTH LINED ENVELOPE TO HAMBURG, GERMANY, CARRIED AT THE SUPPLEMENTARY MAIL DOUBLE FIRST CLASS U.P.U. RATE OF 10 CENTS PER HALF OUNCE. WITH THE 50 CENT DENOMINATION TO MAKE THE RATE FOR A 4 OUNCE LETTER.

OF THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

TO FOREIGN DESTINATION

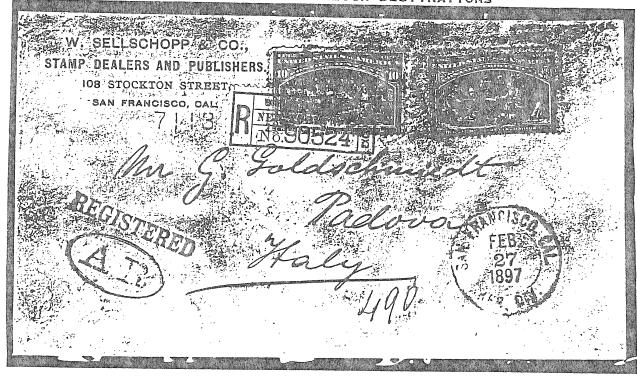
WORLD'S FAIR STATION CANCELLATIONS



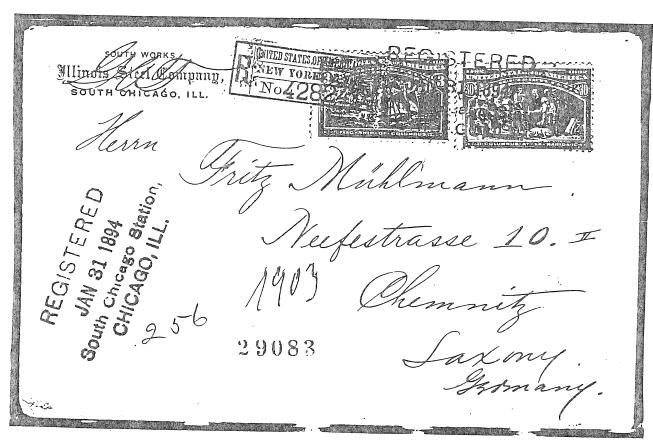
ON A GOLDSMITH OFFICIAL EXPO POSTAL CARD, WITH WORLD'S FAIR STATION MACHINE CANCEL AND A HAND CANCEL AND KILLER FOR THE 30 CENT STAMP, A PHILATELIC OVERPAYMENT TO NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA. SYDNEY BACKSTAMP REVEALS ELAPSED DELIVERY TIME OF 47 DAYS.

OF THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

FOR REGISTRY TO FOREIGN DESTINATIONS

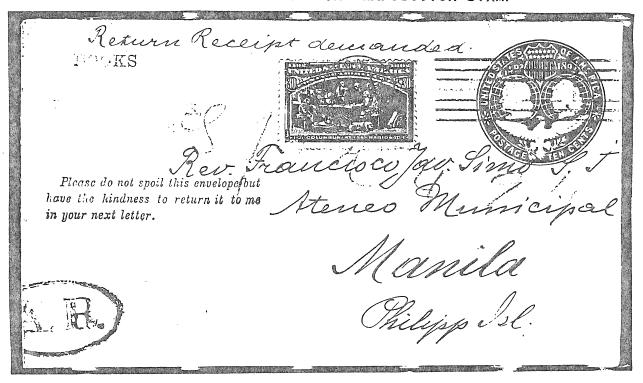


TO ITALY, 'A.R.' HANDSTAMP INDICATING RETURN RECEIPT DEMANDED.

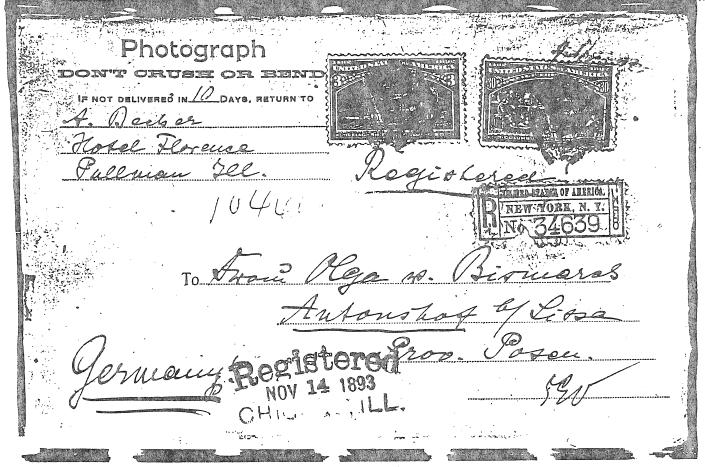


TO GERMANY

FOR REGISTRY TO FOREIGN DESTINATIONS
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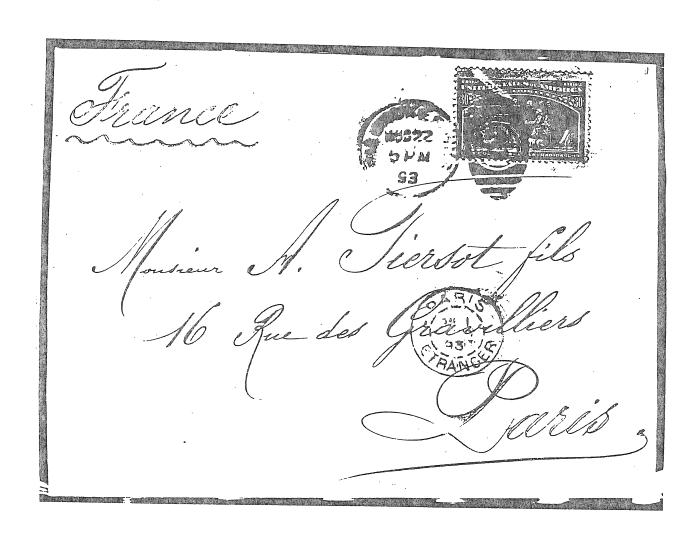


ON A 10 CENT EXPOSITION ENTIRE TO MANILA, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS



ON A PHOTO PATENT ENVELOPE TO GERMANY

OF THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP TO FOREIGN DESTINATION

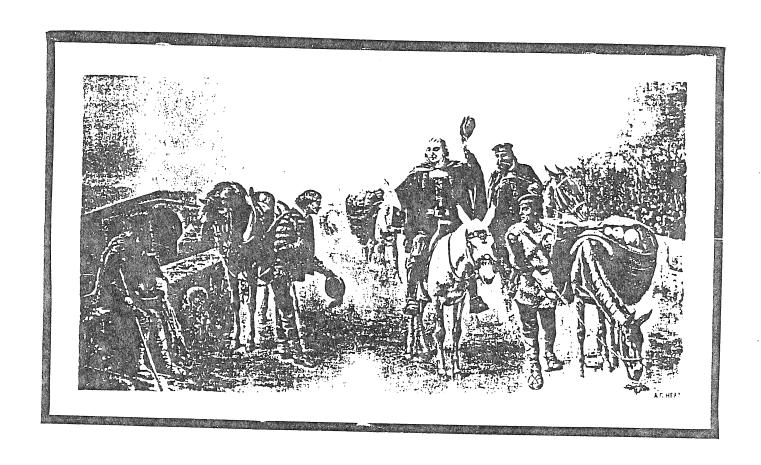


MAKING THE 3 OUNCE LETTER RATE, MILWAUKEE TO PARIS.

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THE 50 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

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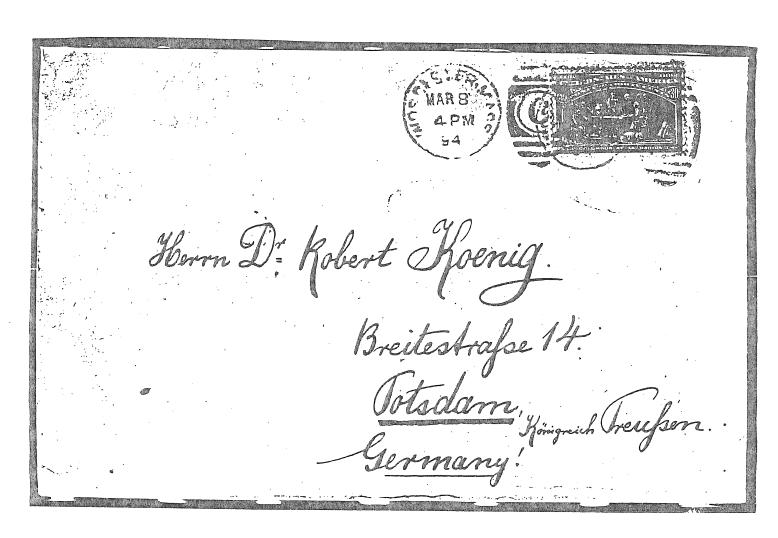


'THE RECALL OF COLUMBUS', BY AMERICAN PAINTER AUGUSTUS G. HEATON, COMPLETED IN 1883, NOW HANGS IN THE CAPITOL BUILDING IN WASHINGTON.

ANOTHER HEATON PAINTING, 'HARDSHIPS OF EMIGRATION', WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE 10 CENT TRANS-MISSISSIPPI STAMP OF 1898.

OF THE 30 CENT COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

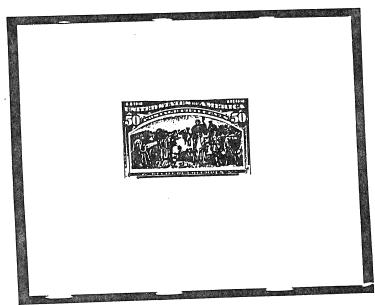
TO FOREIGN DESTINATION



ON A HEAVY FIRST CLASS LETTER, SIX TIMES THE U.P.U. HALF OUNCE SINGLE LETTER RATE TO GERMANY. POTSDAM BACKSTAMP INDICATES LONG ELAPSED TIME OF DELIVERY OF 32 DAYS.

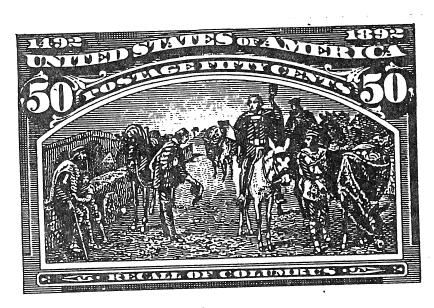
ENGRAVER'S PROGRESSIVE DIE PROOF

FIRST STATE OF THE DIE



SLATE BLUE ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

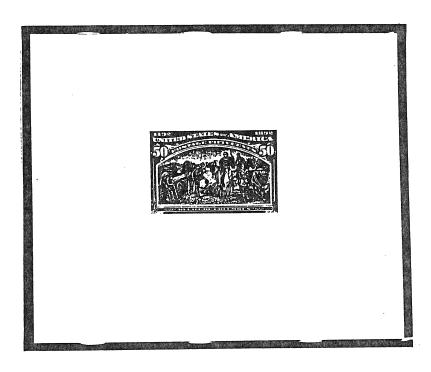
□ MANY VIGNETTE ELEMENTS INCOMPLETELY ENGRAVED, AS YET.



ENLARGED 300%

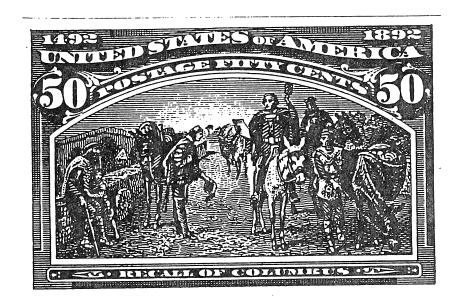
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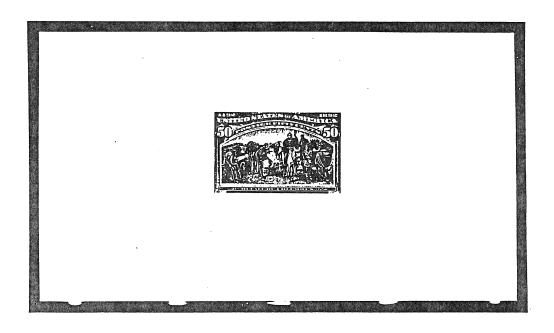


SLATE BLUE ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

- □ COAT OF FIGURE MOUNTED TO COLUMBUS' LEFT CROSS-HATCHED.
- □ HOOFS OF HORSE AT LEFT OF VIGNETTE MORE COMPLETELY ENGRAVED.
- □ ARM OF BOWING FIGURE AND WHITE DONKEY'S HEAD, MANE AND LINES UNDER NOSE MORE COMPLETELY ENGRAVED.

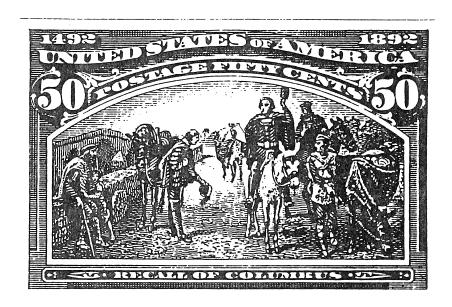


THIRD STATE OF THE DIE



LIGHT SLATE BLUE ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

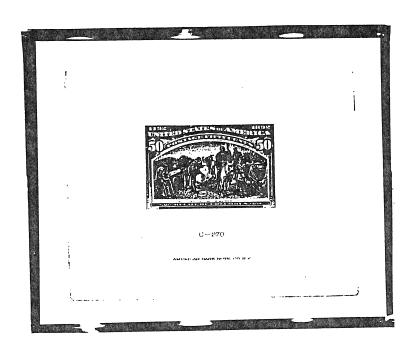
- □ ADDITIONAL ENGRAVING ON WHITE DONKEY'S HIND QUARTERS.
- ☐ FACE OF MOUNTED FIGURE TO COLUMBUS' LEFT DARKENED.



ENGRAVER'S PROGRESSIVE DIE PROCF

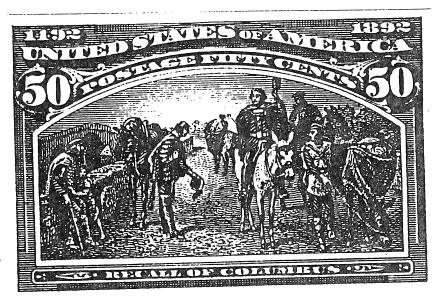
FOURTH STATE OF THE DIE

(WIDELY CATALOGUED AS A TRIAL COLOR PROOF, BUT DEMONSTRABLY A PROGRESSIVE DIE PROOF.)



DARK BROWN DIE SUNK DIRECTLY ON VERY HEAVY CARD

- □ BOWING FIGURE'S FACE AND HAIR MORE HEAVILY AND COMPLETELY ENGRAVED.
- □ FOLIAGE AT HORIZON CENTER EXPANDED SO AS TO DEEMPHASIZE.
- □ MORE WAVY LINES IN SURFACE OF THE ROAD BETWEEN CENTRAL FIGURES.
- □ ACID ETCHING EVIDENT IN FIGURES AND SHADOWS.



PHOTOGRAPHIC DEMONSTRATION OF PROGRESSIVE ENGRAVING

FROM FIRST STATE





FROM FINAL STATE

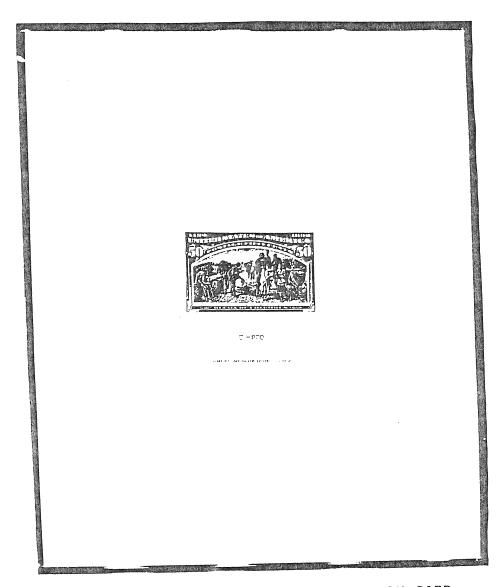




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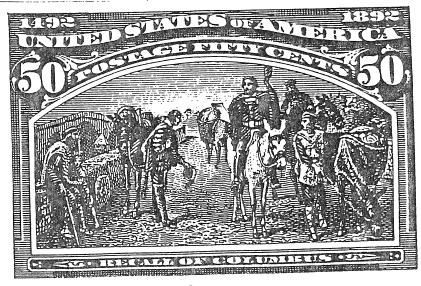
LARGE DIE PROOF

FINAL STATE OF THE DIE

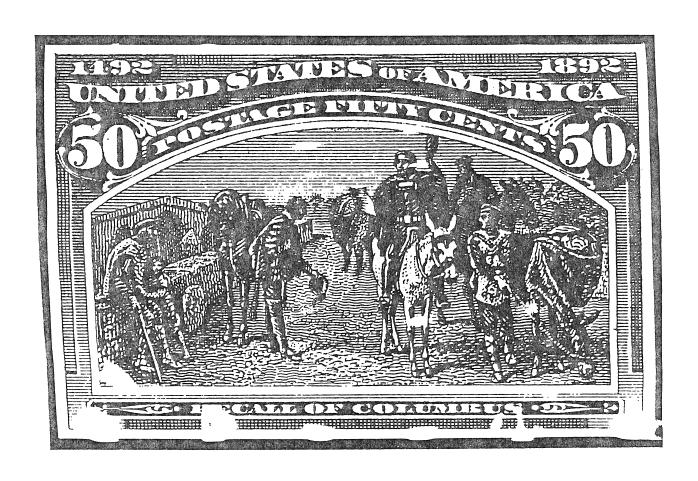


SLATE BLUE ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

□ COLUMBUS' FACE AND HAIR MORE COMPLETELY ENGRAVED.



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DETAIL OF COMPLETED STAMP DESIGN



SLATE BLUE - INDIA DIE SUNK ON CARD

ON 226 X 150 MILLIMETER PRESENTATION CARD

HYBRID



SLATE BLUE ON INDIA PLATE PROOF CUT CLOSE AND BLOCK SUNK (INDIA ON INDIA ON CARD)

A GILT-EDGED CARD FROM A PRESENTATION ALBUM.



American Bank Note Co. New-York.

DARK SLATE BLUE - PRINTED DIRECTLY ON CARD

SMALL DIE PROOFS

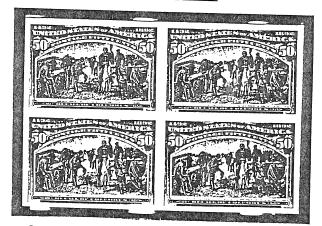


DARK GRAY BLUE ON WHITE WOVE ON GRAY CARD FROM A 1903 'ROOSEVELT' ALBUM



DARK SLATE BLUE ON YELLOWISH WOVE A 1915 'PANAMA-PACIFIC' PROOF

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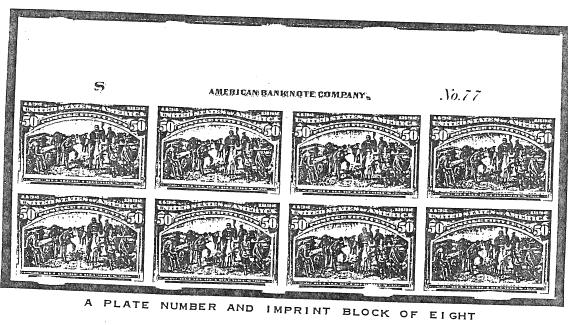


ON INDIA

SLATE BLUE ON INDIA ON CARD



ON CARD



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'SPECIMEN' STAMP



HANDSTAMPED IN DULL VIOLET

THE STAMP



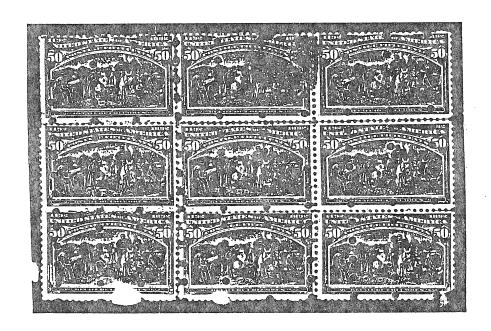
SLATE BLUE ON WOVE



AN IMPRINT AND PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF EIGHT

PROVISIONAL USAGE

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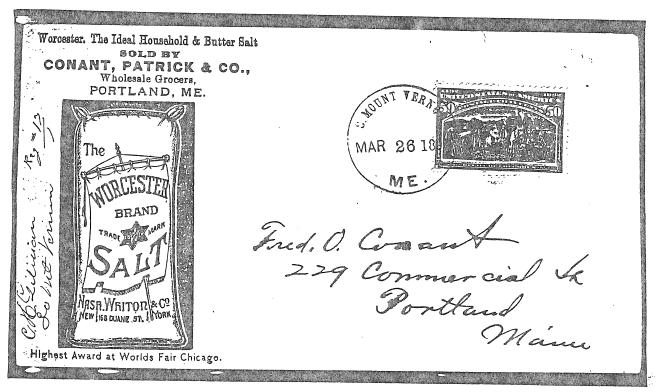


A BLOCK OF NINE WITH HOLES BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN PRIVATELY PUNCHED FOR BULK MAILING OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

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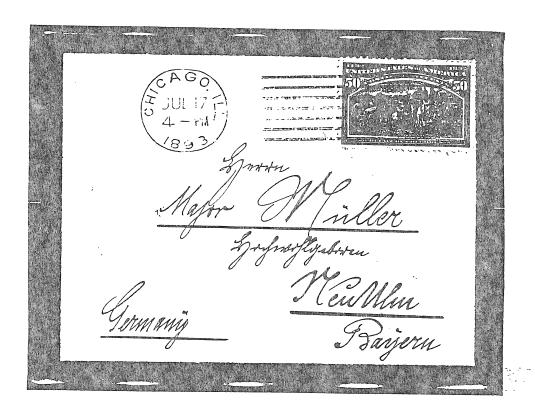
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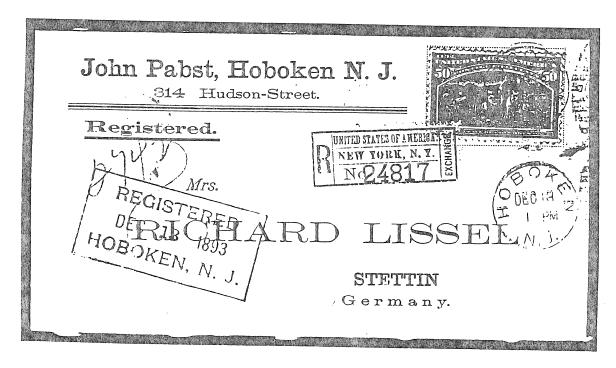
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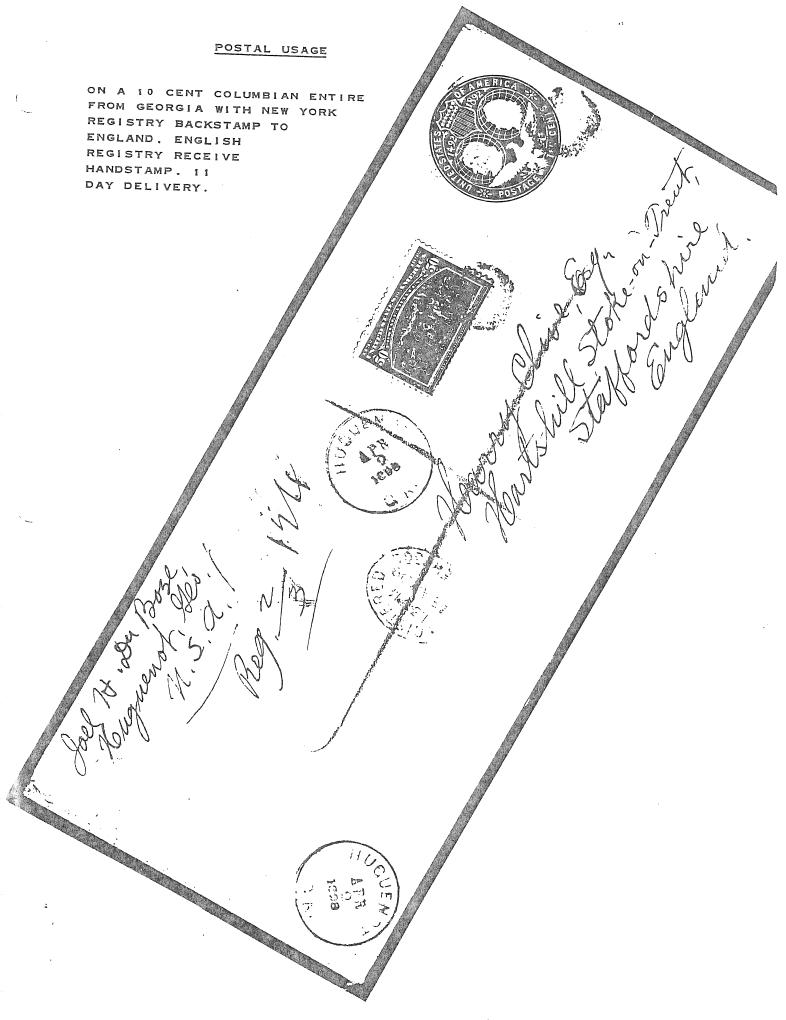
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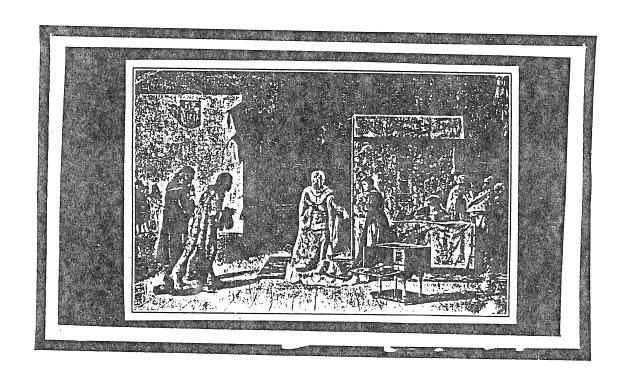
FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS, REGISTERED TO GERMANY.



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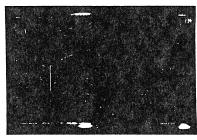
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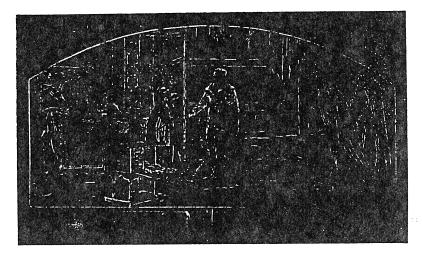


FROM A PAINTING BY MUNOZ DEGRAIN WHICH HANGS IN THE SENATE CHAMBER OF THE HALL OF LEGISLATURE IN MADRID. THIS PAINTING WAS EXHIBITED AT THE NATIONAL EXPOSITION OF SPAIN IN 1877, AT WHICH TIME DEGRAIN WAS AWARDED THE CROSS OF CARLOS III FOR THIS WORK.

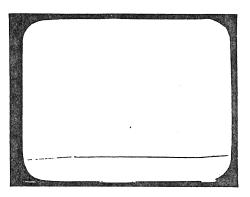
FERROTYPE PLATE



PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS, REDUCING IMAGE TO STAMP SIZE.

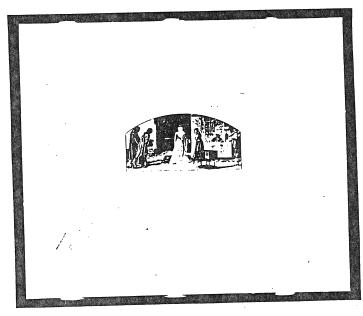


ENLARGEMENT SHOWING RAISED RED LINES OF PORTION OF PAINTING TO BE TRANSFERRED TO DIE FOR VIGNETTE.



WHITE CARDBOARD INTO WHICH PLATE WAS PRESSED, PROVIDING A REVERSED IMAGE FROM THE ABOVE.

FIRST STATE OF THE DIE



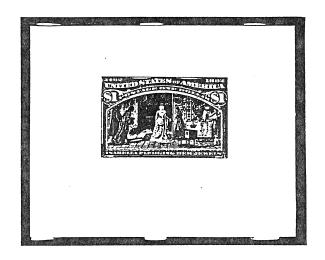
SEPIA ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD SIGNED BY THE ENGRAVER

□ MOST ELEMENTS VERY LIGHTLY ENGRAVED IN THIS STATE.



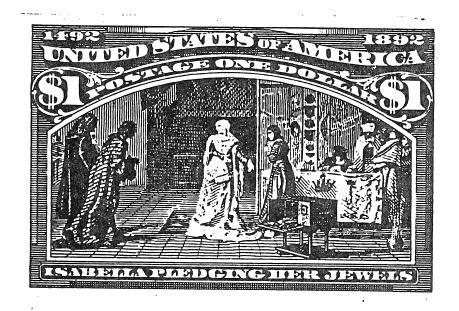
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SECOND STATE OF THE DIE

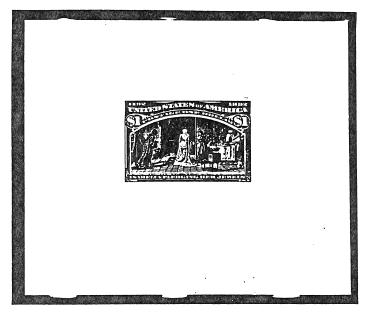


SEPIA ON INDIA ON CARD

- □ FRAME ADDED TO DIE.
- □ MOST ELEMENTS MORE HEAVILY ENGRAVED.
- □ CLOTHING OF FIGURES AT LEFT CROSS-HATCHED.
- ☐ FLOOR SURFACE DETAIL ADDED OR DARKENED.

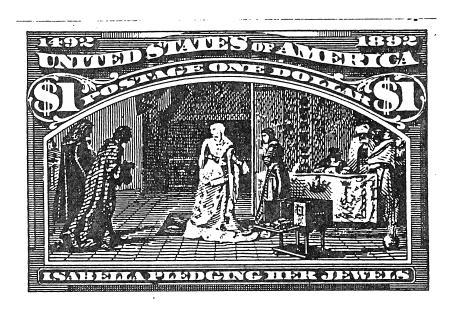


THIRD STATE OF THE DIE



SEPIA ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

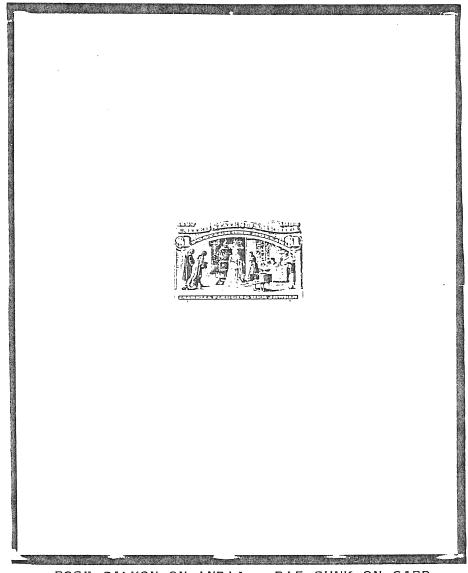
- U VERTICAL LINES CONNECTED IN WALL HANGING ABOVE SEATED FIGURE AT TABLE.
- LINES IN CARPET DARKENED UNDER ISABELLA.
- □ HORIZONTAL LINES ADDED TO TAPESTRY AT FRONT OF TABLE.
- □ ACID ETCHING ON WALL HANGINGS.



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LARGE DIE PROOF

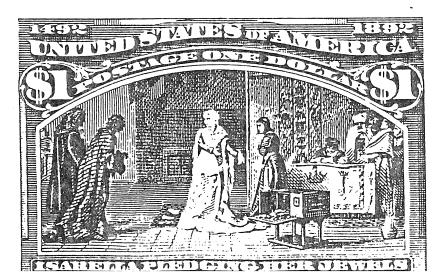
FINAL STATE OF THE DIE



ROSE SALMON ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

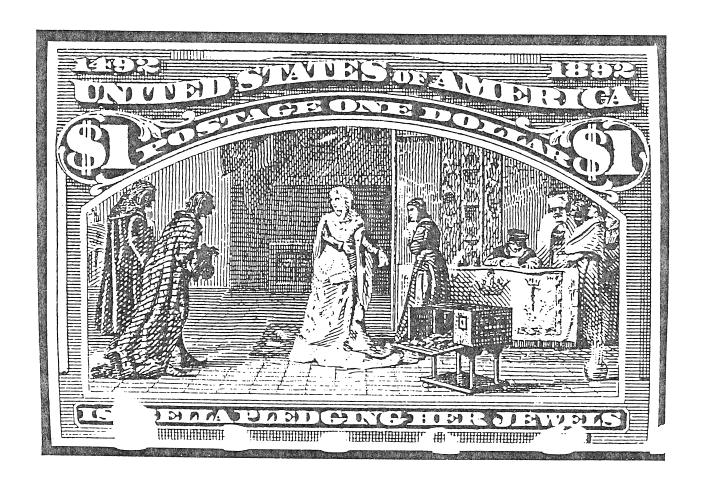
- □ ISABELLA'S FACE AND HEAD COVERING RESHAPED, HAIR SHOWN.
- $\ \square$ SLEEVE OUTLINE DARKENED ON FIGURE TO ISABELLA'S LEFT.
- □ CROSS-HATCHING ADDED TO CARPET BELOW ISABELLA.







THE \$1 COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP



DETAIL OF COMPLETED STAMP DESIGN



ROSE SALMON - INDIA DIE SUNK ON CARD ON 226 X 150 MILLIMETER PRESENTATION CARD



SALMON ON INDIA PLATE PROOF - BLOCK SUNK ON INDIA ON CARD

GILT-EDGE PAGE FROM A PRESENTATION ALBUM.



SALMON ON INDIA PLATE PROOF - BLOCK SUNK ON INDIA ON CARD
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SMALL DIE PROOFS

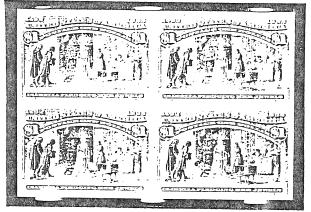


ROSE SALMON ON WHITE WOVE ON GRAY CARD 1903 'ROOSEVELT'



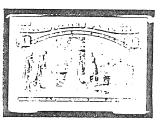
SALMON ON YELLOWISH WOVE 1915 'PANAMA-PACIFIC'

PLATE PROOFS



ON INDIA

SALMON ON INDIA ON CARD



ON CARD



IMPRINT AND PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF EIGHT ON INDIA

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'SPECIMEN' STAMP

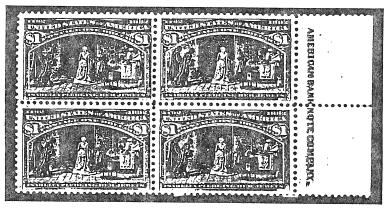


SALMON ON WOVE HANDSTAMPED IN BLACK

THE STAMP



SALMON ON WOVE



A RIGHT MARGIN IMPRINT BLOCK OF FOUR

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OF THE \$1 COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

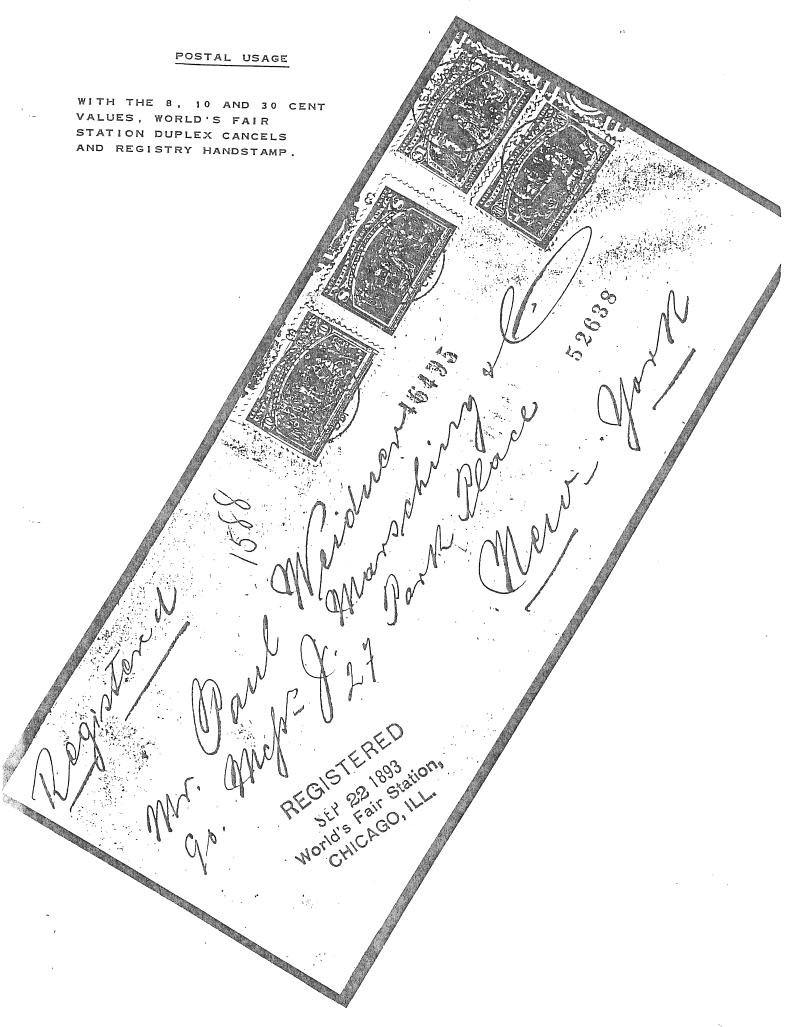
DOMESTIC MAIL



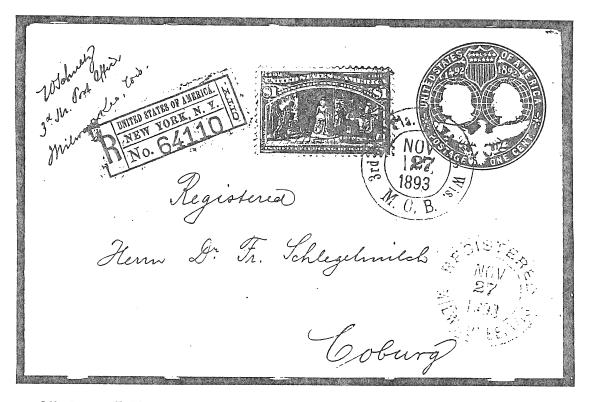
WITH THE 3, 4, 10, 30 AND 50 CENT VALUES AND THE 1 CENT STAMP OF 1890 ON A COLUMBIAN EACH IS TIED WITH THE WORLD'S FAIR STATION DUPLEX CANCELLATION.



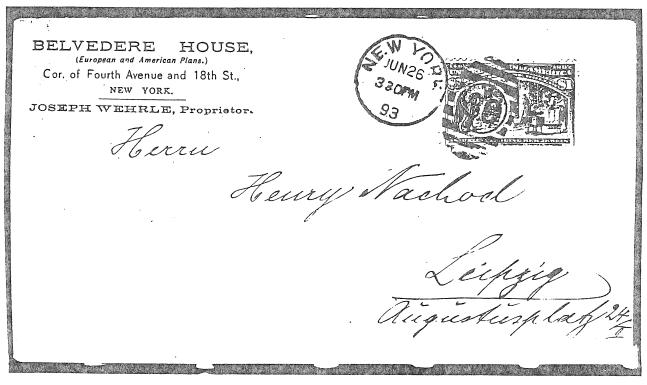
AN OVERPAYMENT OF THE FIRST CLASS SINGLE LETTER RATE.



POSTAL USAGE



ON A 1 CENT COLUMBIAN ENTIRE, CANCELLED WITH MILWAUKEE MONEY ORDER BRANCH AND REGISTRY CIRCULAR DATE STAMPS. WISCONSIN TO NEW YORK TO GERMANY -- ELAPSED TIME 15 DAYS.



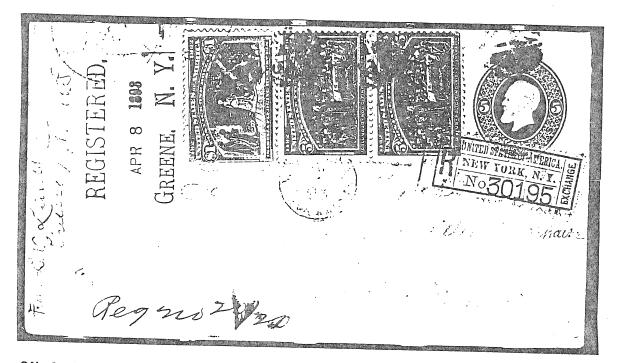
OVERPAYMENT OF THE LETTER RATE TO GERMANY

POSTAL USAGE

FOR FOREIGN REGISTRY PURPOSES



A LEFT MARGIN PARTIAL IMPRINT SINGLE-ELAPSED DELIVERY TIME, ONLY 9 DAYS.



ON A 5 CENT ENTIRE, WITH A VERTICAL PAIR OF THE 5 CENT VALUE. OVERPAYMENT OF THE U.P.U. REGISTERED LETTER RATE NEW YORK TO FRANCE.

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THE \$2 COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION STAMP

DERIVATION OF THE DESIGN



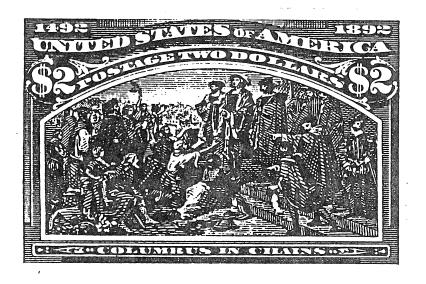
'COLUMBUS IN CHAINS' BY GERMAN-AMERICAN PAINTER EMANUEL GOTTLIEB LEUTZE, WAS AWARDED THE MEDAL OF THE BRUSSELS ART EXHIBITION IN 1842. HE IS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS PAINTING, 'WASHINGTON CROSSING THE DELAWARE', WHICH HANGS IN THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM IN NEW YORK. THE SCENE DEPICTS COLUMBUS' RETURN TO SPAIN FROM HISPANIOLA IN DISGRACE, A VICTIM OF MALICE AND MISREPRESENTATION.

FIRST STATE OF THE DIE



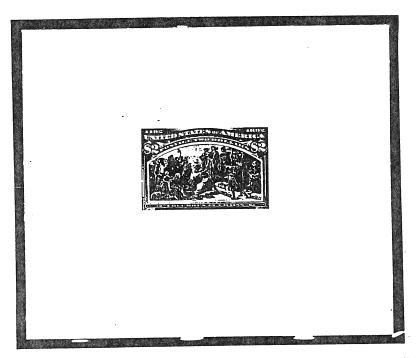
DARK OLIVE BROWN ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

- SOME ELEMENTS OF THE DESIGN NOT COMPLETELY ENGRAVED.



ENLARGED 300%

SECOND STATE OF THE DIE



DARK OLIVE BROWN ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD

- □ LINES ON HORIZON FORMING HILLS MORE CONTINUOUS.
- HORIZONTAL LINES ADDED ON FRONT OF COLUMBUS' BLOUSE.
- □ MORE ENGRAVING IN FACE OF MAN SEATED AT LEFT.

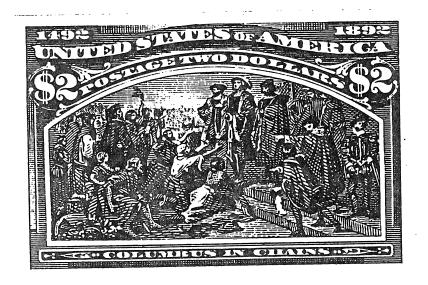


PHOTO ENLARGEMENT

TRIAL COLOR PROOFS



PRIOR TO HARDENING OF DIE OLIVE BROWN ON INDIA ON CARD



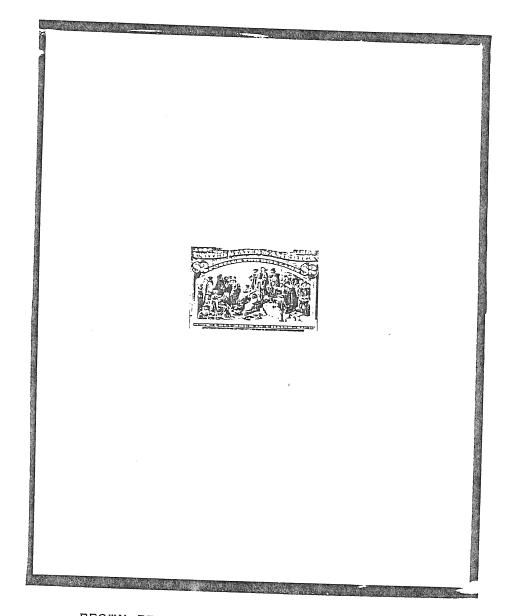
CHESTNUT BROWN ON INDIA ON CARD FROM HARDENED DIE WITH ABNC IMPRINT



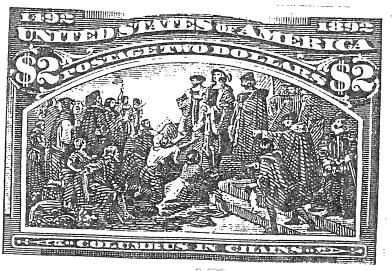
DARK VIOLET BROWN ON WHITE WOVE

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LARGE DIE PROOF

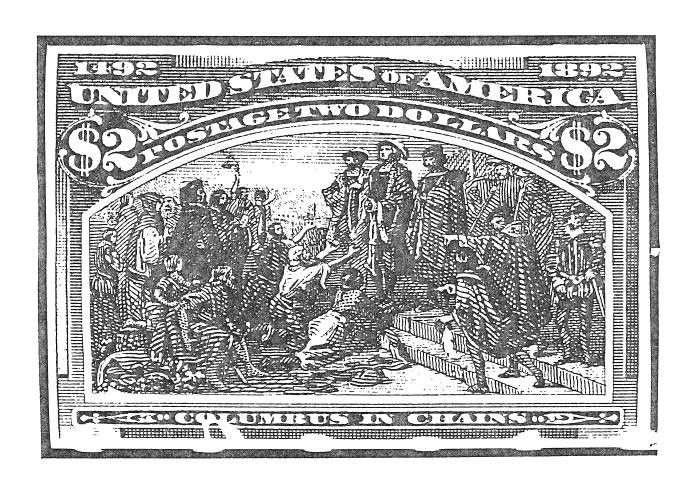


BROWN RED ON INDIA - DIE SUNK ON CARD





BROWN RED - INDIA DIE SUNK ON CARD $\label{eq:card_eq} \text{ON 226 X 150 MILLIMETER PRESENTATION CARD}$



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BROWN RED PRINTED DIRECTLY ON CARD