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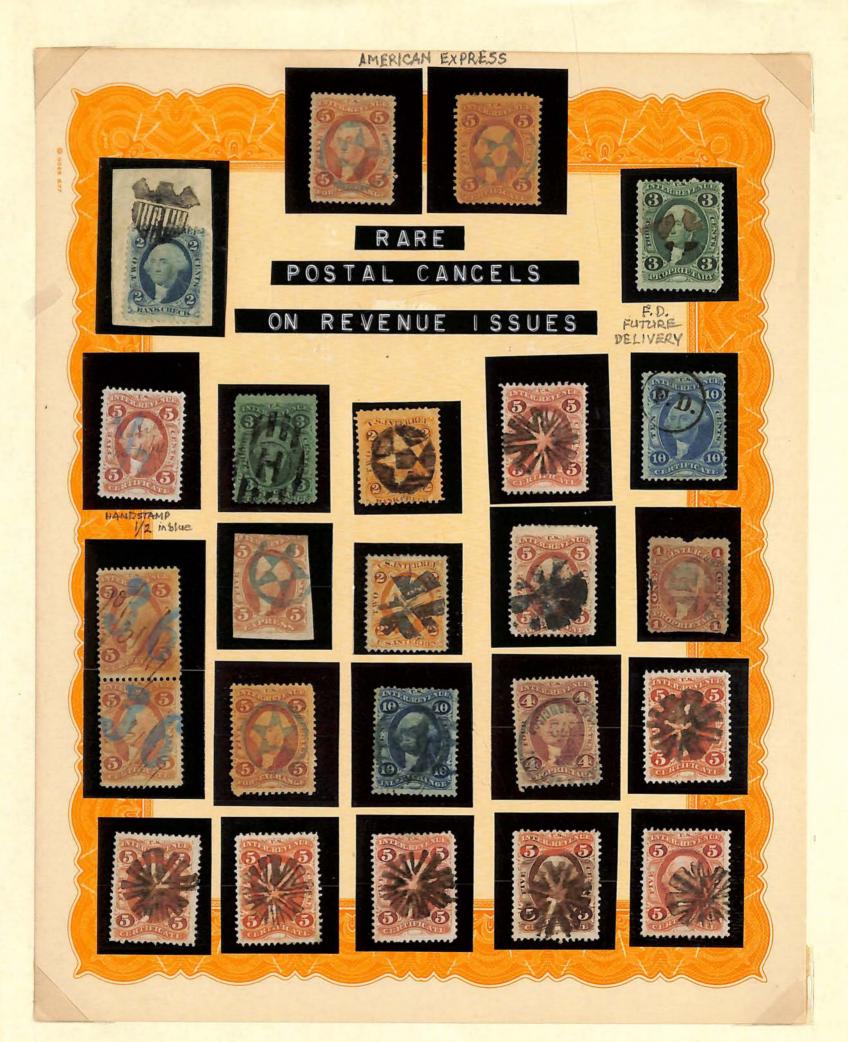
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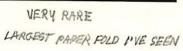




















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THRU 2 CENTER STAMPS







Collectible canning company cancels

RON LESHER

he majority of the United States revenue stamps popularly known as the First Issue (Scott R1-R102) were issued for taxes on various kinds of documents: certificates, bank checks, mortgages and so on.

Stamps from this group that are inscribed "PROPRIETARY" or "PLAYING CARDS" were intended for paying the excise taxes on perfumes, proprietary medicines, matches and playing cards, and were not to be used on documents. Michael Mahler, the leading scholar of the stamped documents of this era, has written that these two groups of stamps were nominally illegal on documents, although apparently tolerated.

The collecting of printed cancellations on the proprietary and playing card stamps of the First Issue has been pursued avidly since the early days of the hobby. One of the earliest compilations of cancels of the companies who ordered and used private die proprietary stamps was included in the 1888 catalog of the Trenton, N.J., stamp dealer, E. B. Sterling.

Over the years, great collections of these have been formed. The legendary Morton Dean Joyce was particularly keen in his pursuit of these

same printed cancellations. Since the dispersal of the Joyce collection there has been much renewed research on printed cancellations, and it is clear that a new compilation is overdue.

Beginning Oct. 1, 1866, preserved meats, fish, shellfish, fruits, vegetables, sauces, syrups, prepared mustard, jams



Figure 1. An imperforate die proof of the scarce T. Kensett & Co. private die proprietary stamp of 1867. Canners were taxed 1¢ per container up to two pounds.

and jellies were subjected to a 1¢ tax on containers up to 2 pounds. Each two pounds or fraction thereof was taxed at the rate of 1¢, so larger containers conceivably might have had a larger amount of tax. Five months later, effective March 1, 1867, the tax was rescinded on meats, shellfish, fruits

and vegetables. Fish were exempted effective July 14, 1870, and the remainder of the tax on canned goods disappeared March 5, 1872.

The initial tax on canned goods that lasted but five months is an interesting period to seek out the canners' cancellations on the First Issue 1¢ proprietary stamp. One of the canning centers of the era was Baltimore, which had the advantages of being close to an abundant supply of foods for canning (fish and shellfish from the Chesapeake Bay, and fruits and vegetables from the eastern shore), and to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which carried the canned goods to new markets in the developing Midwest.

One of the Baltimore canners, Thomas Kensett & Co., was also the only canner that ordered and received a private die proprietary stamp for use on its cans. Emulating the highly successful match and medicine manufacturers who used private die stamps as part of their packaging and marketing strategy, Kensett & Co. sent a letter of general inquiry to Philadelphia stamp printers Butler & Carpenter on Sept. 27, 1866, and by October 9, Kensett & Co. indicated that they wished to have a stamp the same size as the

government stamp.



Figure 2. Before its private die stamps were prepared, Kensett & Co. used 1¢ governmentissue stamps marked with the company cancel.



Figure 3. Baltimore canner Ruth & Fleming also made use of government stamps.



Figure 4. Thomas J. Myer & Co. was an oyster and fruit packer from Baltimore.

The company left the details of the design to Butler and Carpenter. The Kensett firm tried to move the process along as fast as they could, and the first Kensett stamps were delivered Jan. 3, 1867. A proof of the issued design is shown in Figure 1.

It is ironic that the design of the Kensett stamp features a large basket of fruit, with additional fruit and a melon scattered around the base of the basket, for Kensett almost certainly was not canning fruit in January and February. It is more likely they were canning oysters freshly harvested from nearby Chesapeake Bay.

The Boston Revenue Book reports that a total of 528,000 stamps were delivered from January 3 through March 7, although this latter date was six days after the tax on meats, shellfish, fruit and vegetables was rescinded. However, this does give some indication of the production at the Kensett firm. A half-million cans in a two-month period is a substantial operation.

The 1¢ private die proprietary stamp, Scott RP1, is one of the scarcer of the private die proprietary stamps, not surprising considering the short period of usage. The fact that they were used on cans is the

reason for the stains and minor faults that plague most of the surviving copies of the stamp.

Prior to the delivery of the private die stamps, Kensett & Co. used the 1¢ red government proprietary stamp (Scott R3c), which had a printed cancellation applied (Figure 2). Two types of the cancellation are known, neither one of which is very common.

Printed cancellations on the First Issue 1¢ proprietary stamp are known from several other Baltimore canners. The most common of these is from the firm of Ruth and Fleming (Figure 3). Multiples as large as 35 (1/6 of the full sheet of 210 stamps) have survived. These are believed to be remainders collected after the tax was rescinded. Of all the printed cancellations on the First Issue, this ranks as one of the most frequently encountered. Many examples are offcenter, but otherwise are free of flaws.

None of the printed cancellations from the other Baltimore canners are common. Unlike Ruth and Fleming, known surviving examples from the other canners were probably removed from cans. Thomas J. Myer and Co. (Figure 4) is identified in the city directory of the period as an oyster and fruit packer.

These three companies — Kensett, Ruth and Fleming, and Myer — did not include dates in their printed cancellations. This is contrary to the government regulation that called for cancellation to include both the name of the firm (or its initials) and the date. Nevertheless, it is not uncommon for printed cancellations to be absent a date. The government apparently tolerated the omissions.

Two other companies are represented by stamps illustrated in Figure 5: Numsen, Carroll & Co. (located on Light Street in the Inner Harbor area of Baltimore), and Darby & Co. Both of these companies included dates as part of the printed cancellations on the stamps they used.

Finally, there are "W. & Co." cancels, two types of which are known (Figure 6). These are attributed to Wilkins & Co. of Baltimore.

There are a few more canning company cancels known from Baltimore, all seemingly quite scarce. Beyond Baltimore, the largest number of canning company cancels are from New York City, but printed cancels from canning companies are known from Boston and several west coast firms as well. If you find printed cancels that are known only from the five-month period of October 1866 through February 1867, it is a reasonable bet that they were from canning companies.





Figure 5. The printed cancels of Numsen, Carroll & Co. (left), and Darby & Co. (right) both included dates in the printed cancellations.





Figure 6. The two different "W. & Co." dated cancels on these stamps are believed to represent Wilkins & Co.







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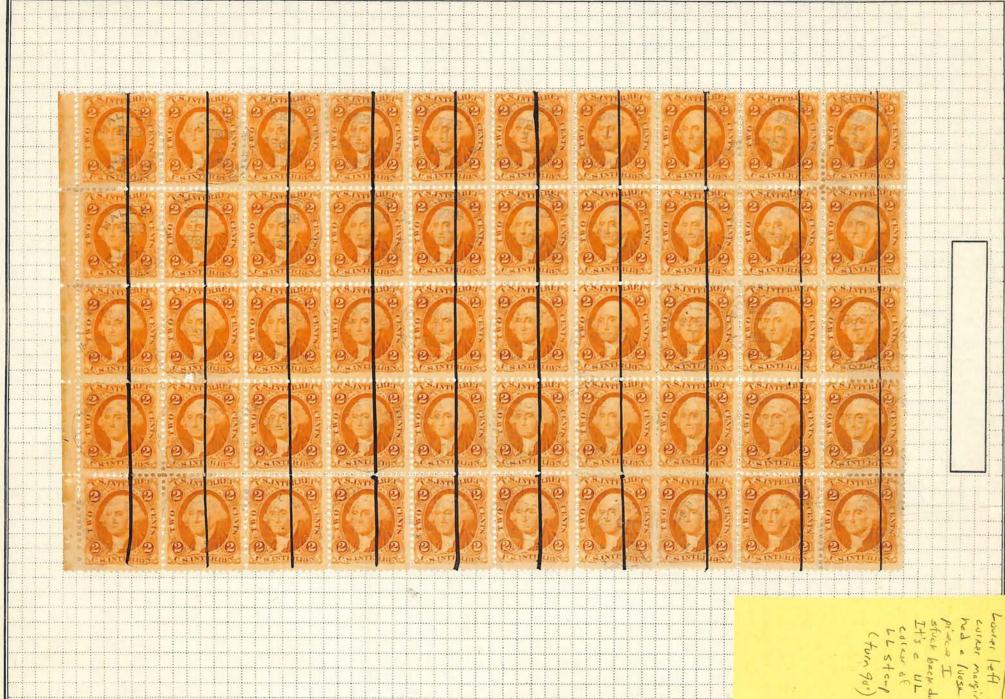


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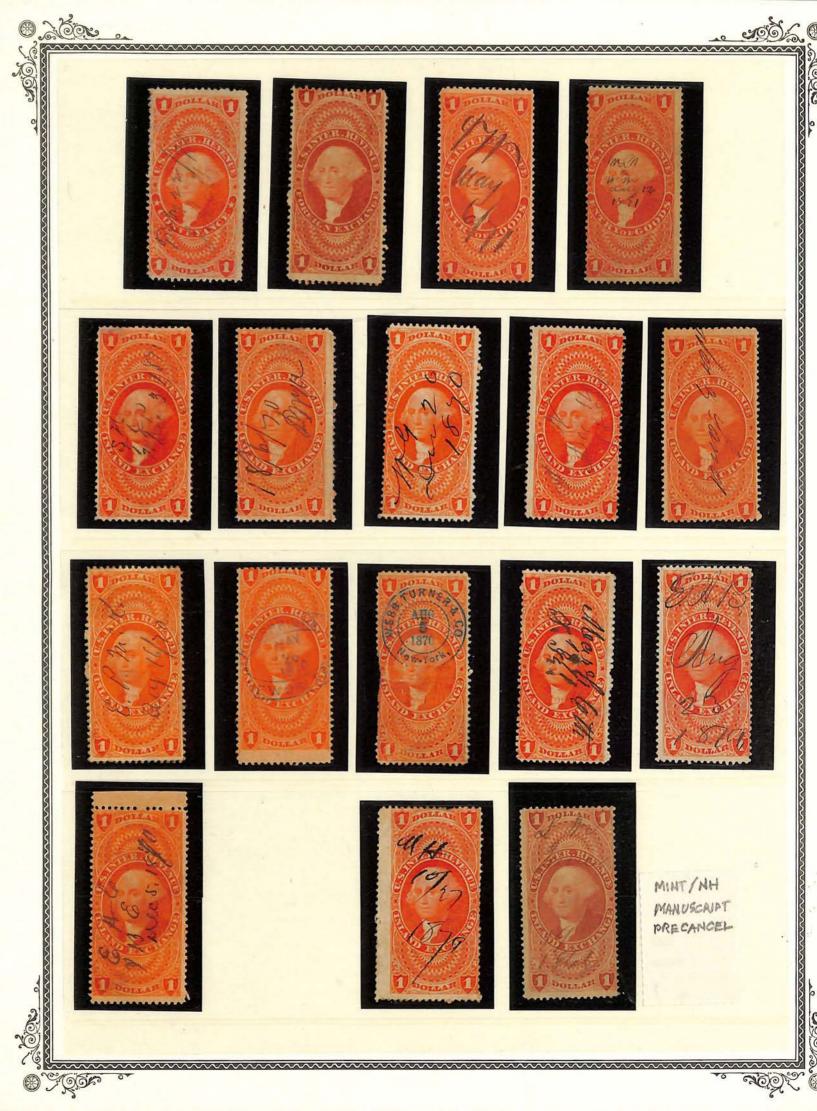


















































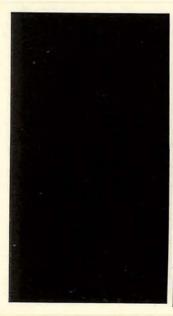




















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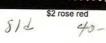


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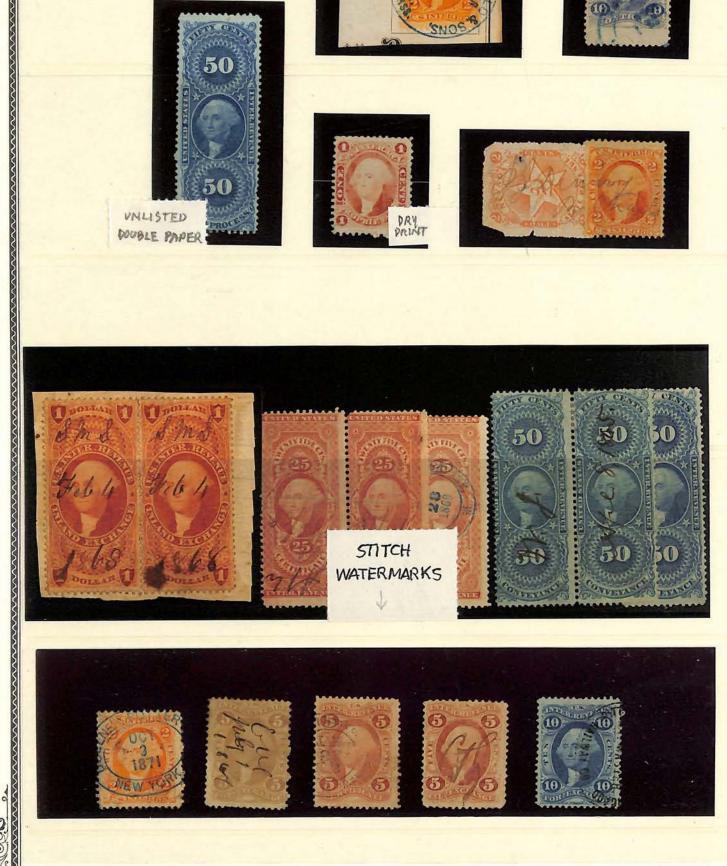














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Figure 1. A heart cancellation from photographer Matthew Brady. The picture is from a CD-ROM package of Civil-War-era photographer revenue stamp cancellations.











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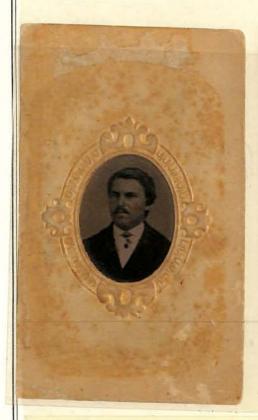
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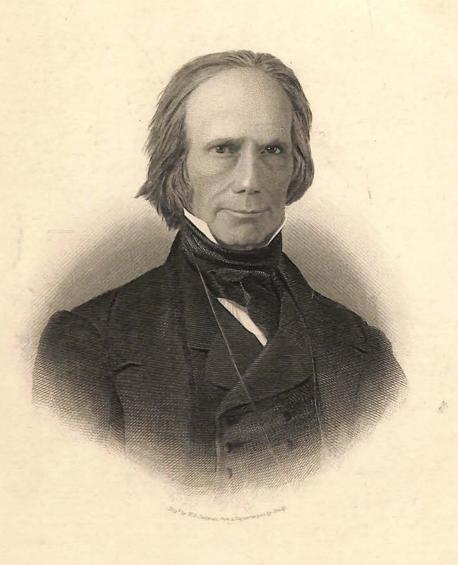












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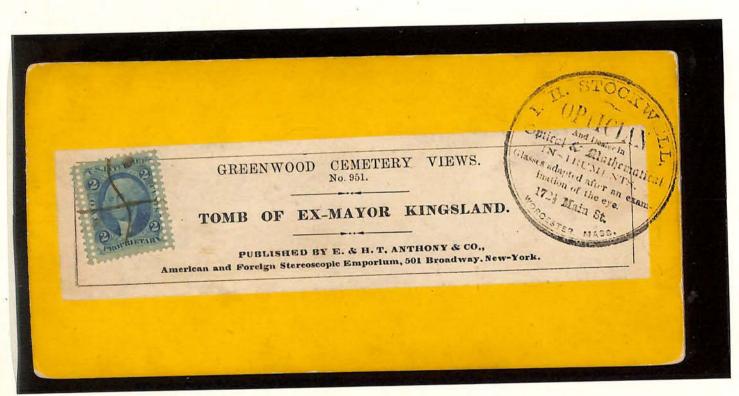
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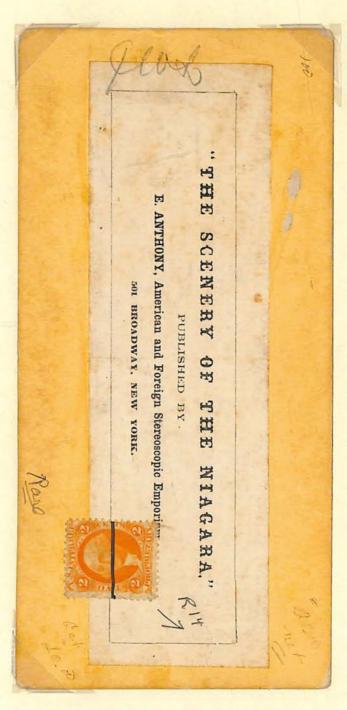


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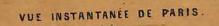


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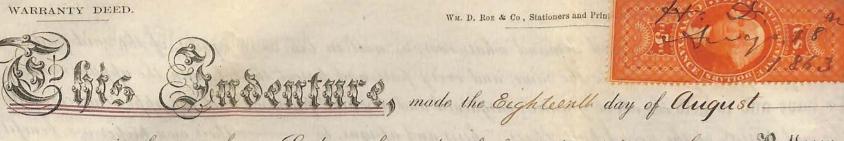


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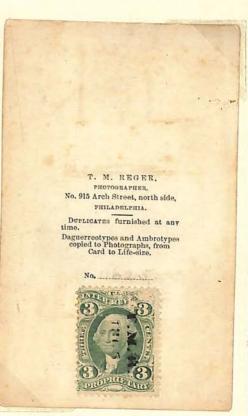


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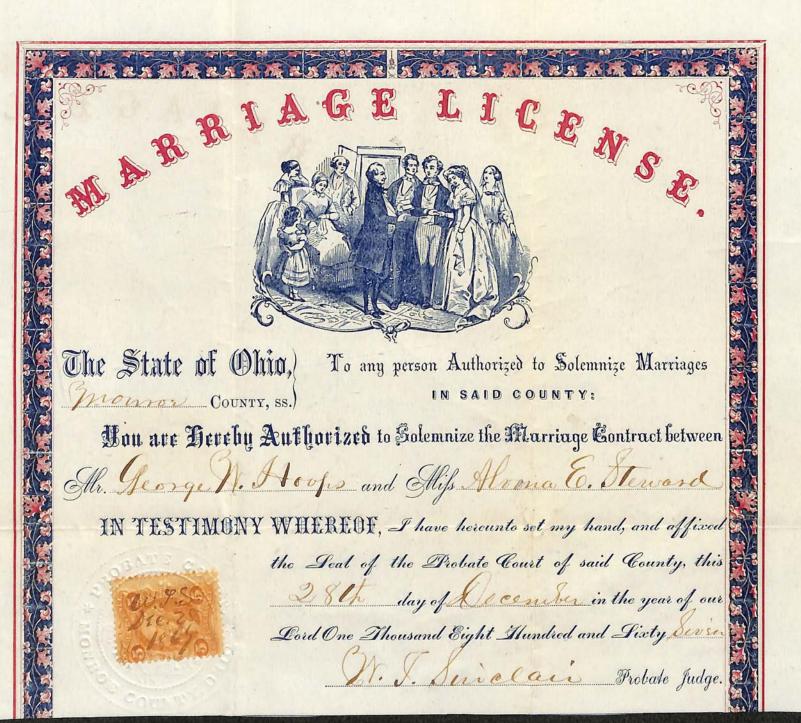
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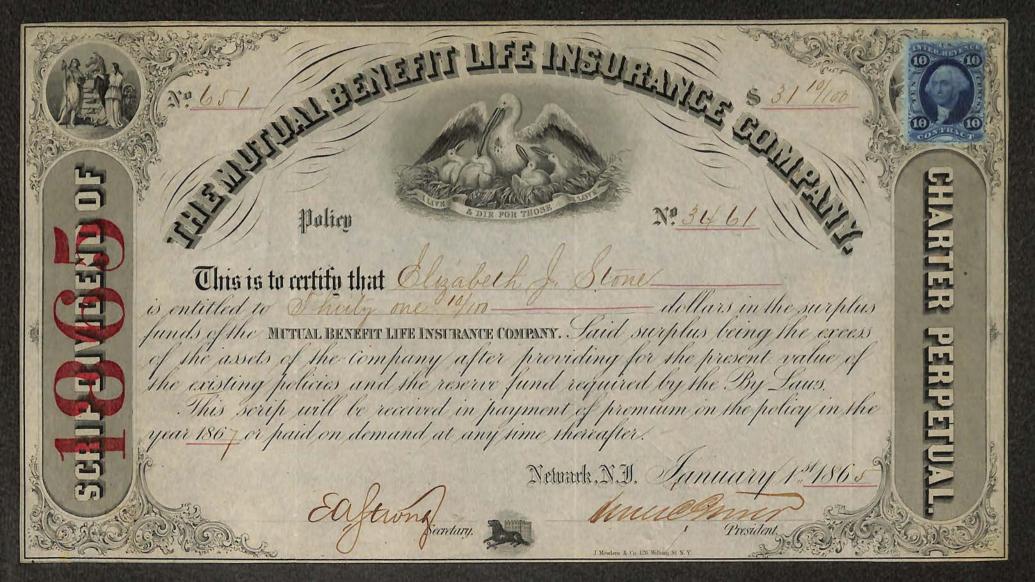


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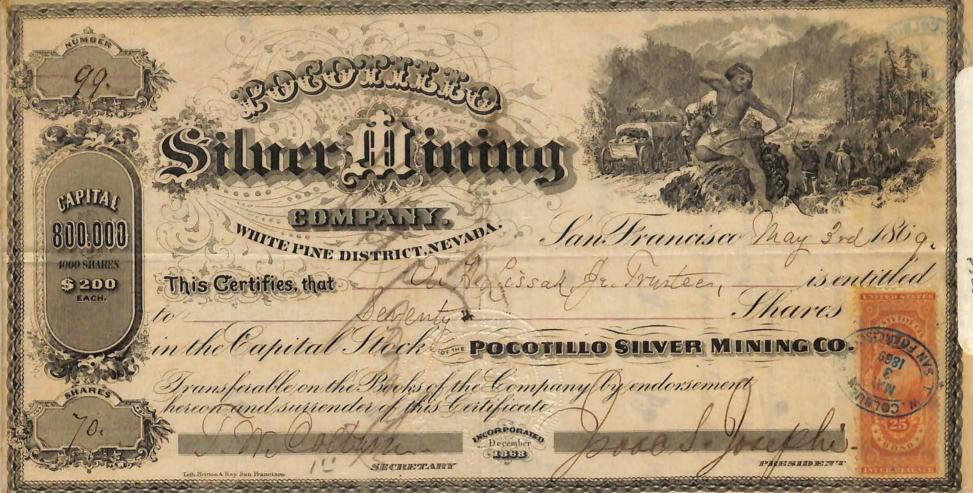
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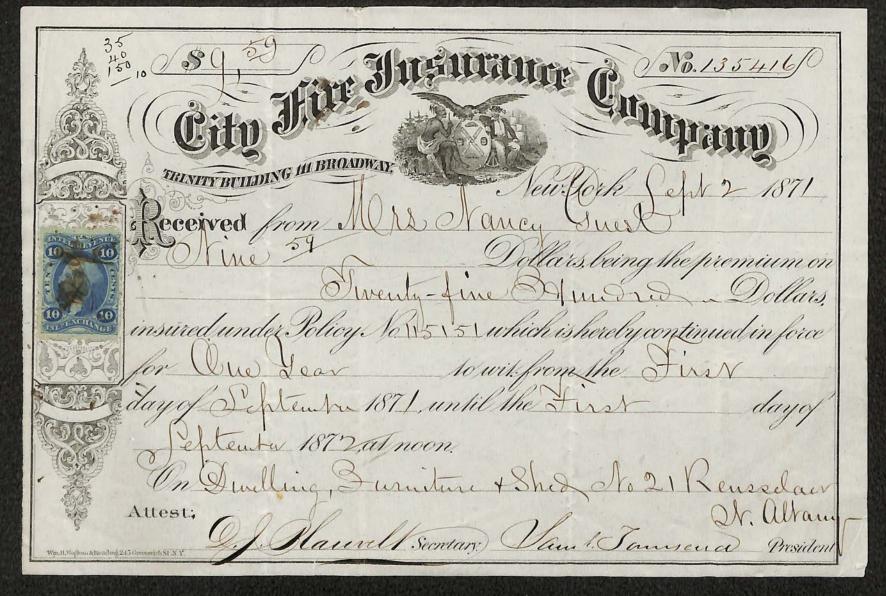






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