1875 REPRINT OF 1857-60 ISSUE

IN EXPECTATION OF COLLECTOR DEMAND the United States Post Office Department authorized the Continental Bank Note Co. to reprint the stamps issued from 1851 through 1861, which had been demonetized in their final year of use. Four of the old Toppan, Carpenter plates were used for the reprints (5c, 24c, 30c and 90c). The 1c, 3c, 10c and 12c plates presumably could not be located, so Continental made new plates of 100 subjects. The 1851-57 Reprints were issued with 12-gauge perforations, instead of the original 15 gauge, and the shades and paper were brighter than the originals. The stamps were sold without gum and were invalid for postage. The larger perforation holes and narrow spacing, even on the new plates, resulted in almost all examples having perforations cut into the design on one or more sides.

A record of quantities sold provides figures for each value:

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<th>1857 REPRINT</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1c Bright Blue, Scott 40</td>
<td>3,846</td>
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<td>3c Scarlet, Scott 41</td>
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<td>5c Orange Brown, Scott 42</td>
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<td>10c Blue Green, Scott 43</td>
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<td>12c Greensh Black, Scott 44</td>
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<td>24c Blackish Violet, Scott 45</td>
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<td>30c Yellow Orange, Scott 46</td>
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<td>90c Deep Blue, Scott 47</td>
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<td>Totals</td>
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A dream set of the 1875 Reprint of 1857 Issue