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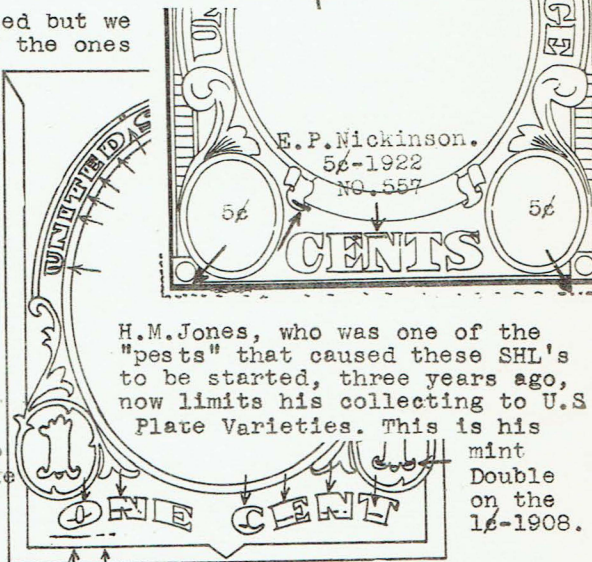
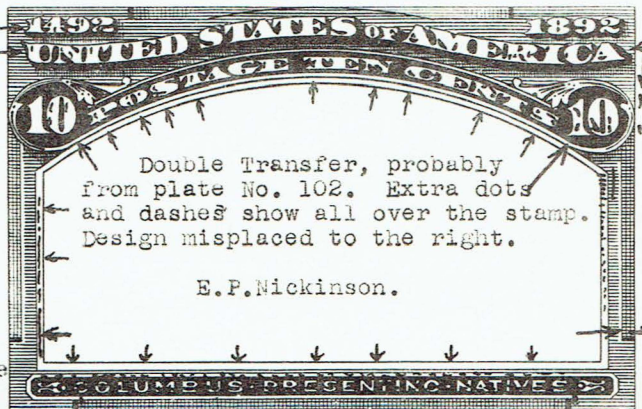
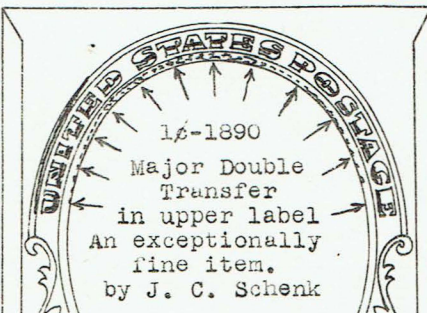
It is not difficult to find a sufficient number of single 10¢ Columbians to show many plate varieties, but to actually reconstruct all the positions on plate 102 with its many Doubles, is a real undertaking. The Shift

Hunters need a volunteer to undertake this work. Others will gladly loan or even sell their blocks to a serious worker.

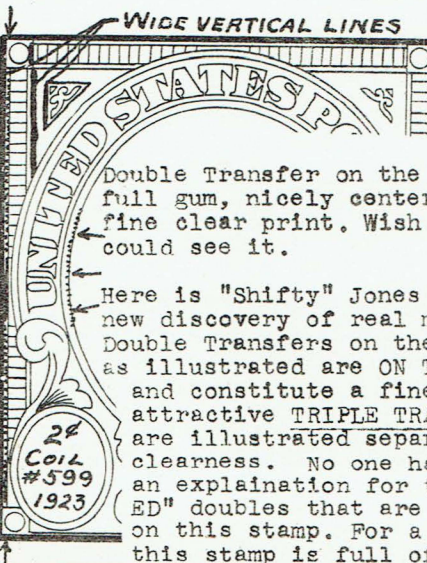
1908 These parallel plate cracks on the 2¢-Rolling-1908 and the 2¢ coil in Crack in Crack in the lower left corner, were submitted but we were negligent in loosing the names of the ones who so kindly sent them. Will the owners please write so we can correct the error?

Mr Nickinson's Double Transfer on the 5¢-1922, at the right, is the first item on this stamp to be reported. He has found many really fine varieties since he recieved his first Shift Hunter Letter and is finding a new thrill in his favorite hobby.

J.C.Schenk is another real U.S. Specialist on 20th Century stamp varieties. Items like the 1¢-1890 at the left are few and far between.



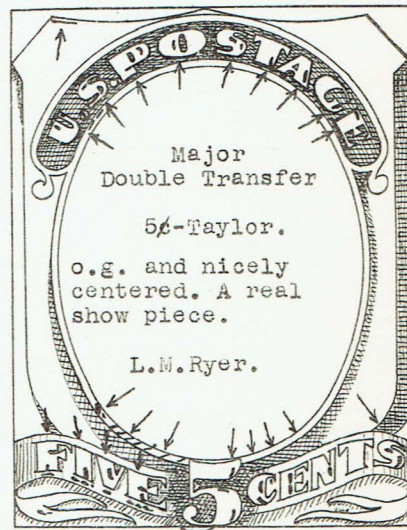
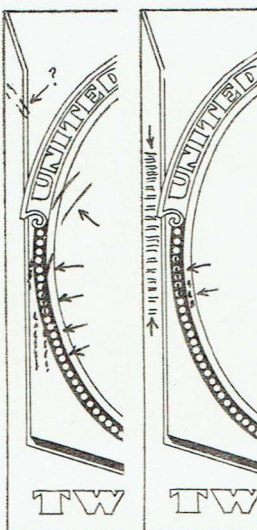
H.M.Jones, who was one of the "pests" that caused these SHL's to be started, three years ago, now limits his collecting to U.S. Plate Varieties. This is his mint Double on the 1¢-1908.



We wish to congratulate Lee M. Ryer on this really wonderful

Double Transfer on the 5¢-Taylor, a full gum, nicely centered copy and a fine clear print. Wish "you-all" could see it.

Here is "Shifty" Jones again with a new discovery of real marit. The two Double Transfers on the 2¢-Red Brown as illustrated are ON THE SAME STAMP and constitute a fine, new and attractive TRIPLE TRANSFER. They are illustrated separately for clearness. No one has yet offered an explanation for the big "TWISTED" doubles that are being found on this stamp. For a specialist this stamp is full of surprises.



Dear Shift Hunter:

Continued requests have depleted the stock of lists of available MATS originally published with SHL #67 and in order that you may be advised of designs available at this time, we have prepared this revised list.

These Mats are divided into two groups; the first being those prepared by the late C. W. Bedford, and the second comprised of new designs prepared and printed by the writer under increased cost conditions.

I. Shift Hunter Mats, Old Series, \$1.25 Per 100, Postpaid

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| 1. Universal for 2¢ Civil War Revs. | 44. 2¢ Columbian |
| 2. Universal for 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20¢ | 45. 6¢ ditto |
| 3. 25¢ Civil War Revenues | 46. 8¢ ditto |
| 4. 50¢ Civil War Revenues | 47. 10¢ ditto |
| 5. \$1 Civil War Revenues | 48. 15¢ ditto |
| 6. 5¢ Inland Exchange | 49. 50¢ ditto |
| 6a. 5¢ Inland Exchange 6" x 8" (15¢ ea.) | 51. 1¢ 1902 |
| 7a. \$1 Power/Attorney 8½" x 11" (15¢ ea.) | 52. 2¢ "Shield" 1903 |
| 11. Universal, Span. War, DOCUMENTARY | 61. 1¢ 1908-10 |
| 12. Universal, ditto, PROPRIETARY | 62. 2¢ ditto |
| 21. 1¢ 1851-57 | 63. Universal, 1¢-7¢, 1912-21 |
| 22. 3¢ ditto | 64. Universal, Offset Prints |
| 23. 1¢ Banknote | 65. Universal, 8¢-50¢, 1914-17 |
| 24. 3¢ ditto | 71. 2¢ Hudson-Fulton |
| 25. 10¢ ditto | 72. 1¢ Pilgrim |
| 26. 5¢ Taylor | 81. Universal, 1¢-15¢, 1922 |
| 27. 2¢ Brown or Green, 1883-87 | 82. Universal, 17¢-50¢, 1922 |
| 28. 4¢ Green or Carmine, 1883-88 | 83. 10¢ Lindbergh Airmail |
| 31. Universal, All Values 1890-98 | 84. 10¢ Map Airmail |
| 32. 1¢ 1890-98 | 91. 2¢ Red Cross |
| 33. 4¢ ditto | 92. 1¢ Washington Bicentennial |
| 34. 15¢ ditto | 93. 3¢ ditto |
| 35. 30¢ ditto | 94. 4¢ ditto |
| 41. Universal (small) Columbians | 95. 7¢ ditto |
| 42. Universal (large) ditto | 96. 2¢ Lake Placid |
| 43. 1¢ Columbian | |

II. Shift Hunter Mats, New Series, \$1.75 Per 100, Postpaid

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| 21R. 1¢ 1851-57 | 109. Universal 4¢-7¢, 1908-17 |
| 32R. 1¢ 1890-98 | 110. Universal 8¢-50¢, 1914-17 |
| 32½. 2¢ 1890-98 | 111. Universal 1¢-1¢, 1922 |
| 33R. 4¢ 1890-98 | 112. Universal 1¢-15¢, 1922 |
| 44R. 2¢ Columbian | 113. Universal 17¢-50¢, 1922 |
| 101. 1¢ 1902 | 114. 10¢ Postage Due, 1894-1929 |
| 101½. 2¢ 1902 (Flags) | 115. 10¢ Special Delivery, 1894-98 |
| 102. 2¢ 1903 (Shield) | 120. 5¢ Jamestown, 1907 |
| 103. 1¢ 1908-10 | 121. 2¢ Alaska Yukon, 1909 |
| 104. 2¢ 1908-10 | 122. 2¢ Hudson-Fulton, 1909 |
| 105. 1¢ 1912-21 | 131. Universal, Huguenot-Walloon |
| 106. 2¢ 1912-21 | 140. 3¢ Washington Bicent. 1932 |
| 107. 3¢ 1912-21 | 142. 7¢ Washington Bicent. 1932 |
| 108. 12¢ 1914-17 | 151. 3¢ N.R.A. |

Cordially yours,

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