

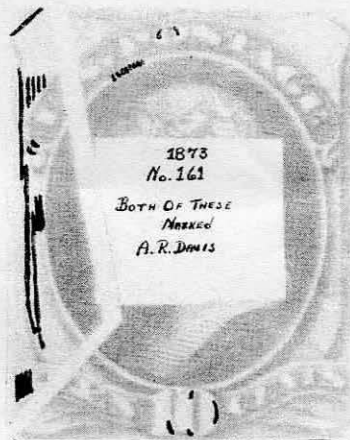
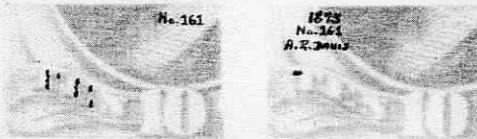
U.S. PLATE VARIETIES SHIFT HUNTER LETTER

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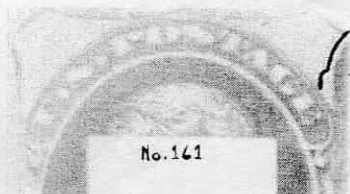
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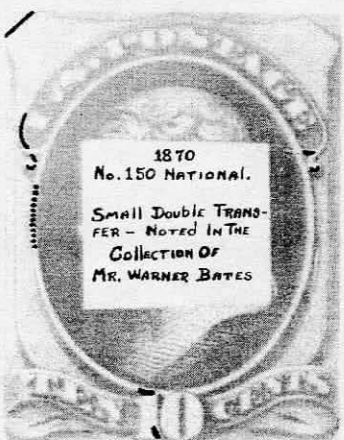


Dear Mr. Shift Hunter:

For this second letter we have used the 10¢ Brown as these were in a book so marked from the C.W.Bedford files. What has been checked so far has been a revelation of accuracy, by that I mean no detail was missed that counted. Many stamps from his collection having no diagrams delayed any efforts due to the time consumed in having photos and plate made. These obstacles are gradually being overcome and we hope a revival of interest will occur from old and new Shift Hunters.



The first letter which dealt with the Black Jacks was purely from a personal standpoint as these are a favorite with a lot of collectors. I notice that in S.H.L. No. 3 (page 2) dated 9-23-29 C.W. stated, "I am told that there are over 40 shifts on the 2¢ Black Jack. I have six. Has any one ever seen a published description of them?" It is quite evident from his workbook which was current at the time of his demise that this number had increased from 6 to 12 and a further check by the writer disclosed more in his vast collection. If any interested in this delightful phase of Philately, would care to send me their copies of different shifts and double transfers, we would be glad to publish them.



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