

ing. Many will remember that Mr. Bedford recommended a Bousch & Lomb Engravers glass in Checking stamps. This being easy on the eyes and the large area covered without distortion. In checking over Dr. Fritschel's, Mr. Bedfords and my own collection the scarcity of left and top shifts are very much in the minority. Right shifts being about four to one. Plate cracks are very scarce the percentage being about one to 6000. We have examined great quantities of our 2¢ issue with enlightening information. It is hard to find this issue in quantities that have not been checked for varie ties. A book could be written on the 2¢ 1908-1910 issue and possibly some-one will undertake this monumental task and all information at our command will be theirs for the asking.

Cordially yours,

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