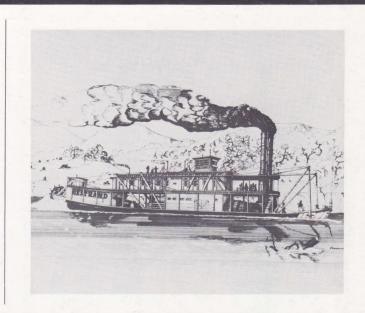


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Collecting Regional Fiscal History

Two Scarce Michigan Origins

by Michael Mahler, ARA

Given the popularity of collecting covers from a particular state, county or town, it is predictable that as the pursuit of revenue-stamped documents becomes more popular, some collectors will choose to focus on pieces originating in one locality or another. As the following examples show, an emphasis on origins can add greatly to the appreciation of a document undistinguished by the tax rate paid or stamp(s) affixed.

At a recent show, in part to avoid coming home empty-handed, I somewhat reluctantly bought a group of U.S. Internal Revenue bonds. Each was taxed at the general 25¢ Bond rate, a slightly better usage but certainly far from scarce, and the stamps affixed were all quite common. Incidentally, for those not aware of them, these USIR bonds have an interesting raison d'etre that merits a slight digression. This particular lot included Brewer's Bonds and Tobacconist's Bonds, and as readers of this publication scarcely need to be reminded, the government had levied taxes on both "beer, lager beer, ale, porter,

and other fermented liquors" (to quote the bonds) and "tobacco, snuff or cigars." Bonds were required to help ensure that those taxes would be paid, and the stamps on the bonds thus paid a "tax on a tax." For all this, USIR bonds are not particularly rare, and I was attracted to this lot only by the presence of the Tobacconist's Bonds; they are a scarcer type, and I had a hunch they would be highly prized by Tobacco topicalists.

To this point, I had scarcely given a thought to the origins of the bonds, except to notice that all were from Michigan, which made little impression on me. Then I happened to show them to a California cover dealer who turned out to be a transplanted Michigander. On examining the first one, he liked the fact that it was from Saginaw, where his mother lived, and mentioned that he collected covers from only two towns: Albion and Midland, Michigan. To our mutual delight, a look through the rest of the bonds turned up one from Midland City, dated 1867; a few seconds later he had a fine collateral piece, while I had back a

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The Internal Duties

Duty on Cigars in Multiples

by G C Akerman FRPS,L, ARA

The installment "Labels for Single Cigars" appeared in August 1986 issue of The American Revenuer (40:134-142).

First Issue-15th September 1895

There was no time to engrave special bands for bundles or boxes of cigars, so the entire design is made up from the Mercury Head and standard printers' type and decorative elements. The plates contained fifteen bands in a vertical column, which were printed on a variety of plain white and tinted papers. The bands were neither gummed nor perforated.

A large number of values were required to cater for differently sized bundles of cigars of different gradesin later issues this is made explicit in the inscriptionsand values up to 75 centavos were printed in black, values from 1 peso upwards were printed in scarlet.

Early bands are rare due to a provision of the Decree of August 5th 1895, where Article 22 says "The fiscal stamps or bands for use on packets or boxes shall be destroyed by persons holding them, and those who do not shall be fined 250 pesos, and persons who sell the empty containers (either with the stamps intact or with the stamps already used once) or who hold them in their possession or offer them for sale shall suffer a fine of 500 to 2000 pesos..." Fraudulent use and forgery were covered by another Article, with correspondingly heavy penalties.

As a result few bands survive, and these are probably remainders from importers or manufacturers who did at least have a legal occasion to hold stocks.

Notwithstanding this "problem," a few interesting varieties have been recorded:

	Table 1: I Values and No	First Issue umbers Issue	ed
Value	Numbers	Value	Numbers
1c	961,600	1p	1,1970
1.25c	204,800	1p 25	2,000
5c	195,500	1p 50	825
6.25c	78,600	2p	840
10c	104,600	2p 50	582
12.5c	62,450	3р	427
20c	8,400	3p 50	497
25c	18,875	4p	310
30c	5,660	5p	765
40c	5,860	7p	110
50c	9,660	10p	100
62.5c	8,900		
75c	2,860		

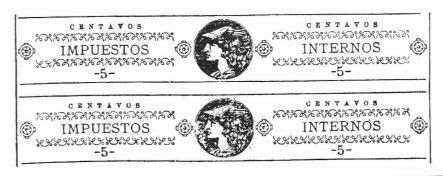
- 1c "CENTAVOSS"
- 5c the arabesque element in the border under IMPUESTOS is inverted (unit 13 of the plate)
- 1p 50 the RH "1" is very faint
- 5 pesos double impression.

The Mercury Head is often damaged at the side by the circular ornaments, and occasionally the 'furniture' holding all the bits and pieces together stands proud and shows as redundant horizontal or vertical lines. The outer frames rarely meet at the corners and broken or deformed frames are not unusual.

The numbers issued are shown in Table 1.

Second Issue-January 1896

Domingo engraved proper dies for this issue. The



First Issue: Upper unit shows inverted arabesques; lower unit shows damage to Mercury Head.



Right: Second Issue. Above: Second Issue with handstamp reading "Habilitado para Importacion."



plates were set out in two panes each of two rows of five impressions. The labels were printed on a variety of papers and were issued imperforate and ungummed. Some have been overprinted by the users.

Some examples are "cancelled" with the oval "Administracion General de Impuestos Internos" handstamp; these were used to pay minor fines or supplements to the duties, and were never attached to cigar packets.

Two values-the 75c sepia and the 7p 50 green-were prepared but not issued, and it is thought that the 1p 25, the 1p 50 and the 3p 75 (all in green) and the 10p blue might come into the same category (only 100 or 200 of each are said to have been issued).

Table 2: Second and Third Issues (Combined Numbers)

	(Combined Numbers)						
	1c	Black	2,778,000				
	1.25c	Blue Green	245,000				
*	2c	Black	400,000				
	5c	Dull Ultramarine	279,000				
	6.25c	Red Brown	95,000				
	10c	Scarlet	158,800				
	12.5c	Mauve	68,700				
	20c	Yellowish Green	212,500				
	25c	Chestnut	354,900				
	30c	Brown	60,000				
	40c	Slate Green	253,000				
	50c	Slate Purple	620,100				
*	60c	Blue-Green	10,000				
	62.5c	Chocolate	100				
*	70c	Carmine	10,000				
*	80c	Slate Green	10,000				
*	90c	Red Brown	10,000				
	1p	Blue	260,000				
*	1p	Red	950,000				
	1p 25	Green	100				
	1p 50	Green	200				
	2p	Steel Blue	32,100				
	2p 50	Green	100				
	3р	Deep Blue	16,000				
	3p 75	Green	100				
	4p	Deep Blue	13,000				
	5p	Blue	4,500				
	10p	Blue	200				

* These six values constitute the Third Issue

PHECIO AL CONSUMIDOR



Fourth Issue. Left—overprinted "PRECIO AL CONSUMIDOR 0.20"; below—left half and right half.





Nombre de la Fàbrica RT, 239

CERT. 239

CERT. 239

CERT. 939





		Table	3:	Summary	of Issue 4	
	Value	Locally Mad	e	O'prints	Imports	Overprints
	5 Cigars					
	10	Orange Brov			-	
	2c	Orange Brov			-	
	5c	Orange Brov			-	
	10c	Orange Brow		D	-	
1	15c	Orange Brow	vn i	Precio	-	
	10 Cigars	D Div.			D D .	
	10c	Deep Blue	р.	011100	Rose Red	
	20c	Deep Blue	Pa	ara CINCO	Rose Red	
	40c	Deep Blue			Rose Red	
	1p 80	-			Rose Red	
	2p 50	-			Rose Red	
	3p	-			Rose Red	
	20 Cigars 20c				Rose Red	
	25 Cigars	•			nose nea	
	25 Cigars 25c	Red Brown	Ц	h IMPORT	Bosa Bad	
	50c	Red Brown	110	IVII ON I	Rose Red	Adicional
	1p	Red Brown			Rose Red	Adicional
	1p 50	-			Rose Red	
	1p 75	_			Rose Red	Adicional
	2p	-			Rose Red	7.010101101
	2p 50	-			Rose Red	
	3р	-			Rose Red	
	4p 50	-			Rose Red	
	6p 25	-			Rose Red	Precio
	7p 50	1-1			Rose Red	
	50 Cigars					
	50c	Ultramarine	HA	AB IMPORT	Rose Red	
	80c	-			Rose Red	
	1p	Ultramarine			Rose Red	
	1p 50	Ultramarine			Rose Red	Precio
	2p	Ultramarine			Rose Red	Precio
	3р	-			Rose Red	Precio
	3p 50	- ,			Rose Red	
	4p	-			Rose Red	
	5p	-			Rose Red	
	6р	-			Rose Red	
	100 Cigars	_			D D 1	
	1p	Green			Rose Red	"OF" A I'-!I
	2p	Deep Green			Rose Red	"25"; Adicional
	3р	Green			Rose Red	Adicional
	4p	-			Rose Red	
	6p	-			Rose Red Rose Red	
	7p				Rose Red	
	8p	-			HOSE LIEU	

Third Issue-August 1898

Five additional values appeared at this time, and the 1p value was changed from deep blue to red. The 2c is known to have been printed in a single pane of 20 units (4 rows of 5); others may share this layout.

The 1p red was created for the exclusive use of William Paats, Roche y Cia, who held the concession to import the popular Italian cigars into the Rio Plata area.

Apart from the error "1 PESOS" (all units) and a miscellany of minor frame breaks, no varieties have been reported. The frame breaks and marks around the values suggest that a master plate was used to create working plates, with the value inserted separately.

The 4p is known handstamped "CONSUMO PARTre" for use on imported cigars. The 25c band is known handstamped in violet with the device:

REPOSICION ENERO 1898

The numbers issued for the combined second and third issues are given in Table 2.

In April/May 1899 the following handstamp appears in violet and in blue:

Habilitado PARA IMPORTACION

These acted as provisionals for the next issue. The numbers so treated were:

30c	500	1p red 2,752	2p 1	1,1751
50c	850	1p blue1,154	3p	1,169
80c	100		5p	280

Fourth Issue-March 1899-Ley 3745

M. Gottuzzo of the National Bureau of Engraving prepared dies for two sizes of band, which were printed by the Casa de Moneda on thin white paper and issued imperforate and ungummed.

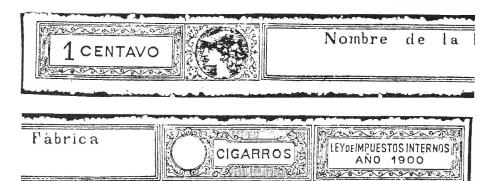
The smaller band measures 229×15 mm and was printed in sheets of fifteen units; the larger measures 240×25 mm and appeared in sheets of ten. The smaller bands were used for packets of five or ten cigars, the larger for boxes of 25,50 or 100.

Each band appeared in two forms-the central panel reads "Nombre de la Fabrica" for locally made cigars and "Nombre de la Importador" for imports. The former were printed in blues, browns and greens and the latter in red.

This is a rather complex issue, since short series of bands of different values were produced for each of the five packet sizes for local cigars

and a further four for imports.

In addition there is a range of handstamped overprints, of which the following appear on the local



Fifth issue—"Blank" Cigarros, left and right halves.

bands:

"Precio al Consumidor 75" on the 15c chestnut for 5 cigars

"Para CINCO Cigarros" on the 20c deep blue for 10 cigars

"GRAMOS DE TOBACO" on the 5c orange brown for 5 cigars

"PARA CUARTO CIGARROS" on the 4c blue-black for 4 cigars

"Habilitado PARA IMPORTACION" on the 25c brown for 25 cigars and the 50c ultramarine for 50 cigars (numbers issued were 125 and 360, respectively).

The overprints all appear in violet and/or blue; the last listed also appears in red. Handstamps on bands for imports are:

"PRECIO DE VENTA 1.25" on the 6p 25 for 25 cigars

"PRECIO AL CONSUMIDOR xx": "15" on the 1p 50; "20" on the 2p; "25" on the 3p-all for 50 cigars "25" on the 2p for 100 cigars.

Fifth Issue-1900

The design was changed to read "ANO 1900" in place of "No 3745." Only one value-the 1c chestnutwas prepared, in versions for "blank," 2, 3, 4 and 5 cigars. The 1c "blank" band is known very crudely perforated.

Violet handstamps on the '0 Cigar" band read "ART

Table 4: Summary of Issues 5, 6

Cigars (blank) 1 Cigar 2 Cigars 3 Cigars	1c 1c 1c 1c	Color Chestnut Chestnut Chestnut Chestnut Chestnut	Overprints Arts 34, 176
4 Cigars	1c	Chestnut	

NB: Issue 6 consists of Issue 4 bands overprinted: ADICIONAL/DEC - Jun.20 - 1905 (see above)

34" or "ART176." Another has "ART.34" incorporated in the design in the user panel below "Nombre."

Sixth Issue-1905

The fourth issue in red (imported cigars) was overprinted:

"ADICIONAL Dec-Jun.20-1905"

to make the sixth issue. The following values have been recorded:

- 50c and 1p 75 both for 25 cigars
- 2p and 3p both for 100 cigars.

DEC.JUN.20-No.m

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Sixth Issue with "ADICIONAL Dec-Jun.20-1905" overprint

Seventh Issue-1907-Ley 3884

Two new designs, with rich profusions of baroque ornamentation, show, from left to right: the duty, Mercury, the number of cigars, their sale price, the Ley and the identity of the manufacturer or importer.

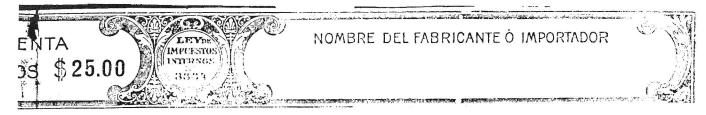
Ley 3884 scrapped the distinctive labels for imported cigars. The smaller design was used for packets of up to twenty cigars, and measures 229×15 mm; the larger design was used on boxes of 25, 50 or 100 cigars and measures 335×24 mm. (These measurements describe the printed area and actual bands may be considerably larger since the sheets had extensive margins)

A third design, in cobalt, was without expressed value. Instead it was labelled "FAJA de CONTROL" and presumably indicated pre-paid duties. My copy bears a violet handstamp with the Arms of the Republic to the left and the legend "Habilitado/POR LA Admon Gal DE IMPUESTOS INTERNOS" in two lines on the right.

The definitive series has been seen with a variety of overprints adjusting the number of cigars:

 20c for 20 overprinted "PARA CINCO CIGAR-ROS"





Seventh Issue large band (above shown in two segments) with manuscript re-rating from 25 to 100 cigars. The Seventh Issue small band (below shown in two segments).





- 2p for 25 overprinted "50 CIGARROS"
- 3p for 100 overprinted "25"
- 5p for 50 overprinted "100" in manuscript.

Eighth Issue-1908

The smaller band was re-issued without a "Precio de Venta." Only three examples have been seen-5c dull blue for 4 cigars; 10c slate blue and 20c light brown, both for 10.

Ninth Issue with the price deleted from the Precio de Venta tablet.





Ninth Issue-1914-No Ley

The Ley Number and Precio de Venta were deleted for a small issue of four bands-4c and 5c for 4 cigars; 5c for 5 cigars and 15c for 10.

Tenth Issue-1914-New Value

The 1c issue for 2, 3, 4 and 5 cigars was replaced by a 1œc value printed in orange.

All four bands are known surcharged "HABILIT-ADO POR 1 1/4 CENT." in black. This was machine printed in 1917 as a provisional.

Eleventh Issue-1915-Ley 9647

A new, more severe, design was introduced in 1915. The elements were changed around to a new se-

Eleventh Issue private band.



Tenth Issue. This stamp with the HABILITADO POR 1 1/4 CENT. forms part of the provisioal Twelfth Issue.



Eleventh Issue with PARA CONSUMO PARTICULAR handstamp (right end segment to left.

quence: Ley number, duty and number of cigars, Precio de Venta, user and Mercury in an ornate rectangular frame. A single size-228 x 15mm-sufficed for all values.

The paper was thinner than that used hitherto, and as usual the bands were issued in ungummed sheets.

The four 1½c values were later surcharged "HABILITADO POR 1 1/4 CENT." as provisionals for the 1917 issue. The 1p for 25 cigars has been seen handstamped "PARA CONSUMO PARTICULAR."

A small square blue machine printed surcharge including "LEY 10359" on the 1½c for 3 cigars formed a provisional for the fourteenth issue.

A private printing was made for "Cigarros Ottone-Importador Mignaquy y Cia" (the 5c red for 5 cigars); another, for "Cert.361" (Schelp y Schelp), is similar to the regular 15c slate green for 10 cigars, but measures 236 x 11mm. Other private dies are known.

On 26th July 1915 a special band was made for the "COMPANIA/TABACALERA ARGENTINA." This 5c dull carmine issue was of a distinctive design, measuring only 87 x 12mm and is strongly reminiscent of the little bands for single cigars.

Twelfth Issue-1917-Provisional

The "HABILITADO POR 1 1/4 CENT." surcharges noted on several previous issues collectively form a provisional series for the next issue.



Thriteenth Issue

Thirteenth Issue-14 Feb 1917-Ley 10225

Bands for the 1½c duty were re-issued in two colors with the new Ley number. A private die version of the 12½c for 10 cigars band was made for "Schelp y Schelp"; it took the 236 x 11mm dimensions of its predecessor.

The 1½c slate green for 5 cigars is known with a blue "Para 5 Cigarros" overprint.





Fourteenth Issue (above). Eleventh Issue with blue overprint (left, enlarged) "Ley 10359" formed a provisional for the Fourteenth Issue.

Fourteenth Issue-20 June 1918-Ley 10359

The above-noted band from the eleventh issue, with a "LEY 10359" overprint, formed a provisional for this issue, with its new Ley number. It would appear that this issue comprised just the 1½c value, replacing the 1¼c bands of the thirteenth issue.

Fifteenth Issue-1926-Ley 11252

Once again the design was replaced, this time by a simpler "chain-link" pattern framing the various panels. Two sizes of band were prepared. This issue probably included a full range of values, though only those for packets of up to 10 cigars have been recorded.

Two papers have been seen-a ribbed paper for all recorded values, and Large Arms paper for three values

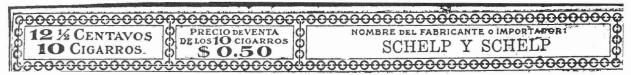
Some "Tobaco" bands have been seen bearing revalidation handstamps for cigars under Ley 11252 (see Tobacco Labels listings)

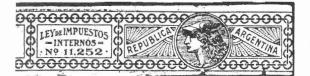
Sixteenth Issue-Ley 14393

The design was simplified to the point of crudity. Thus far only a single example-the \$3.20 for 10 cigars in yellow ochre-has been recorded.

Seventeenth Issue-1962-Ley 16450

The Ley tablet of the previous issue was changed to include both the new number and a Decree number: "Dto 8667/62." Again, just one example has been recorded-\$0.50 for 5 cigars, printed in yellow green.





Fifteenth Issue: small band (top); large band in two segments (above and left).



Seventeenth Issue



Sixteenth Issue

Conclusion

This highly complex series is enlivened by a wide range of overprints and surcharges.

A little light relief may be had from the illustrated labels used to decorate cigar boxes. We illustrate a couple of proofs-one for SOCIA-LES Cigarillos and one for LA SIN BOMBO. The latter includes a Precio de Venta tablet showing the unit price, the tax and the total payable.







Table 5: Summar	v of Issues	7 -	10
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Number & Value	Issue 7-Ley 3	3884 New Qty O'prints	Issue 8 No "Precio	lssue 9 No Ley	Issue 10 Ne	1917		
FAIADE		O prints	de Venta"			O'prints		
FAJA DE CONTROL 2 Cigars	Cobalt		-	-				
1c	Orange			×				
11/2C					Orange	HAB 11/4		
3 Cigars					3			
1c	Orange		-					
1½c			_	_	Orange	HAB 11/4		
4 Cigars			-	-	Orange	TIAD 174		
1c	Orange							
1½c	Orange		-	-	Orango	LIAD 41/		
	-		-	Dull Blue	Orange	HAB 11/4		
4c	-		Dull Dive					
5c	-		Dull Blue	Bright Carmin	ie			
5 Cigars	0							
1c	Orange		-	-	0	LIAD 417		
1½c	- D D		-	-	Orange	HAB 11/4		
5c	Dull Blue		-	Red				
10c	Slate Blue			-				
15c	Violet Grey		-	-				
10 Cigars	Ol Di		01-1-0	~				
10c	Slate Blue		Slate Green	-				
15c				Indigo				
20c	Light Brown		Light Brown	-				
30c	Brown Lilac		-	-				
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Tax Stamp Usage Shown on the Wreckage of the Steamboat *Bertrand*

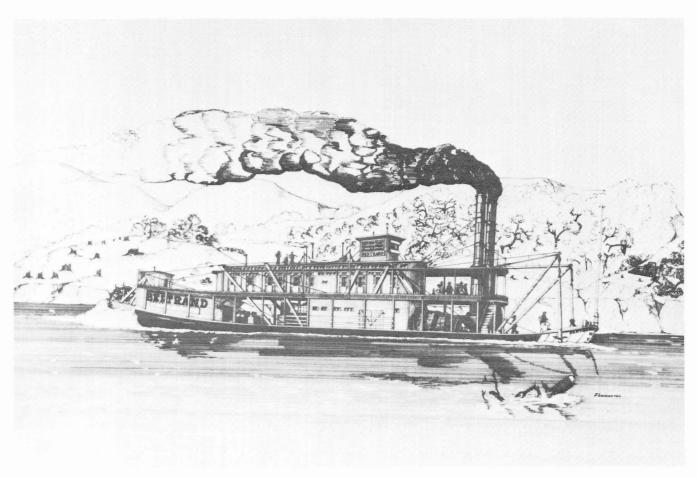


Figure 1. Artist's rendering of the steamboat Bertrand. Its maiden voyage on the Missouri River mountain run ended abruptly at DeSoto Bend on April 1, 1865.

by Paul Weidhaas, ARA

The Montana gold strikes of the early 1860s prompted an unprecedented wave of humanity into the gold fields, which exceeded even that of the California gold rush of 1849. Mining camps appeared almost overnight, swelled by those seeking fortune in the desolate gulches of western Montana Territory. With the discovery of gold came an increasing demand by the miners for tools, hardware, foodstuffs and alcohol which overland transport simply could not provide in adequate volume. Heavily laden steamboats helped to meet some of that demand.

Prices of necessities were fabulously high, with flour sometimes selling for 85 cents a pound and potatoes at \$27 a bushel (Graebner et al, 1970). Riverboat owners quickly recognized that handsome profits would be made, provided their boats could successfully run the gauntlet of hazards on the Missouri River. The Missouri was notoriously treacherous, known for its snags hidden within constantly changing channels. Submerged snags claimed no less than 193 steamboats between 853 and 1897 (Petsche, 1974). One such victim was the 161 foot sternwheeler Bertrand (Figure 1).

The Bertrand's captain was relying on the annual spring river rise to risk the hazardous mountain run, hoping to unload his shipment of supplies at Fort Benton in Montana Territory, and hastily returning to home port before the river fell. It was a risky gamble, but for the winner, profits of several hundred percent awaited. Consignments of freight to Fort Benton were charged at twelve to fifteen cents a pound, and cabin passage one was cost \$300. In 1865, one thousand passengers and 6,000 tons of merchandise were delivered at the fort by steamboat (Drago, 1967).

The *Bertrand* departed St. Louis on March 18, 1865, with at least ten passengers and a cargo valued at up to \$300,000 (Petsche, 1974). On April 1, some 25 river miles above Omaha, the *Bertrand* struck a snag near DeSoto Bend and sank within ten minutes. No livers were lost.

Most of the cargo was being shipped on consignment to the store owners in Montana mining camps. All the supplies the bustling frontier towns needed were on board: food stuffs, liquor, textiles, clothing, household goods, mining and building supplies, tools and ammunition.

The most valuable cargo, and the subject of subsequent salvage efforts, was a large shipment of mercury. Some 35,000 pounds of mercury were recovered

by a team of salvors sent by the insurers shortly after the sinking. But they were called away to work the wreck of another steamboat which sank May 4 a few miles upstream. By the time they had returned, the *Bertrand* had disappeared into the riverbottom. There it remained for over one hundred years (Petsche, 1974, p. 17).

Over the years, the river changed course, and the site of the *Bertrand* wreck eventually became dry land, although the ship itself was beneath the water table. In 1968, archival research paid off for two salvors. using a fluxgate magnetometer, they located the riverboat 20 to 28 feet below the ground in DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge near present day Blair, Nebraska. (Petsche, p. 29). Test borings brought up fragments of

Figure 2. Excavation of the Bertrand in 1868-69 provided collectors with a rare glimpse of actual usage of revenue stamps. Thousands of bitters bottles were among the artifacts recovered with contents intact.

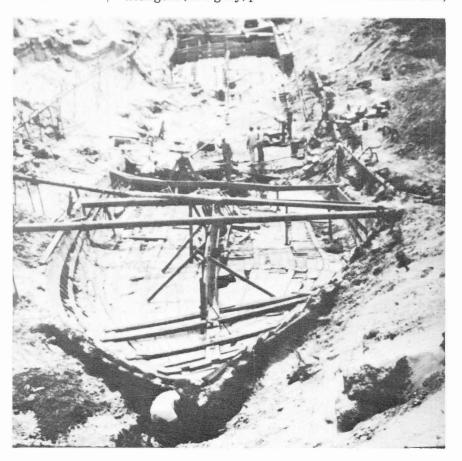
wood, leather, glass, brandied cherries, lead shot, and the odor of alcohol. The first artifacts recovered from the hold during excavation included several cases of bitters bottles, boots, canned tomatoes, a plow, black powder and primers, and wooden soap case with "Bertrand Stores" painted on the side (Petsche, p. 35). (Figure 2)

The cargo held a wealth of material, ranging from pickles and clocks to bullwhips and window frames. About 300,000 artifacts worthy of restoration were recovered, and excellent displays in the refuge's visitor center interpret much of this material. Included are numerous items of interest to the collector of revenue stamps and collateral material.

Bitters Bottles

By far the most predominant revenued artifacts were the patent medicines, and of these, Hostetter's Bitters was the clear favorite. Recovered were 191, 12 bottle cases, mostly containing 22 ounce dark amber and dark green bottles. A few 28 ounce bottles were also found (Switzer, 1974, p. 30). For the most part, the bottles survived unbroken, packed in sawdust, with their contents still intact.

Embossed on one side is the inscription, "Dr. J. Hostetter's/Stomach Bitters." A dark blue paper label with gold (now gray) print was affixed to another side,



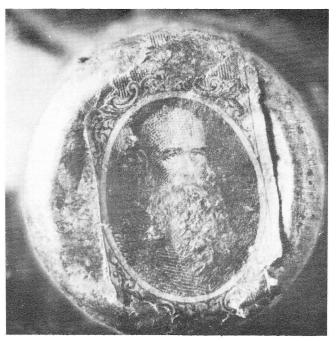


Figure 3. The venerable portrait of Jacob Hostetter gazes from a remnant of Scott RS132a affixed to the foil cap of a bottle of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. This stamp is the sole surviving specimen among over 2,000 bottles following one hundred years of submersion.

extolling the virtues of the contents as "a swift and certain cure for Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Fever, Fever and Augue, and all kinds of periodical flux, Colids, and Choleric maladies...." The opposing side displayed a label with black print on a white background, with the upper half depicting St. George slaying the dragon (Switzer, pp. 30-31).

The bottles contain cork stoppers covered with thick foil seals. The private die proprietary stamps issued to Hostetter and Smith in 1863 were affixed over the tops of the seals and extended onto the bottle necks. Only a single example of the Hostetter revenue stamp survives to this day, on a bottle specially treated soon after recovery (Peterson, personal communication). Undoubtedly many others were found, but the fragile paper quickly deteriorated once exposed to the air.

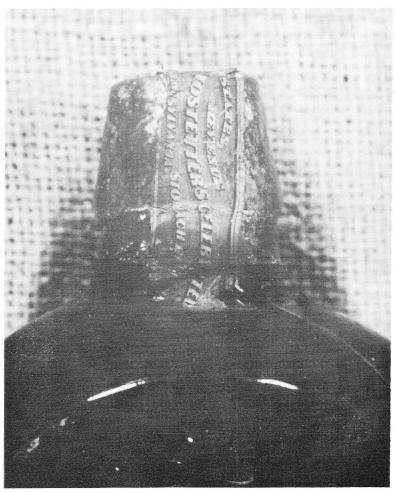
The lone specimen poses some interesting

Figure 4. The Hostetter stamp extended down onto the neck of the bottle. Although the portion of the stamp once affixed to the glass is now missing, the numeral 4 was revealed in gum residue during a physical inspection.

questions. The portion of the stamp affixed to the seal is essentially intact (Figures 3 and 4). The ends of the stamp which contain the value blocks extended down onto the neck of the bottle, but are now missing. Hostetter used both $4\mathfrak{q}$ and $6\mathfrak{q}$ stamps, identical except for the value blocks. Since the number of four cent stamps printed was eight times that of the six cent stamps, (Toppan et al, 1899) one may conclude that the far more abundant 22 ounce bottles held the four cent stamps. Indeed, a close examination of the gum residue on the bottle neck revealed a distinct numeral four. However, the stamps is on a 28 ounce bottle

Logically, the larger bottles would have borne the six cent stamps. An inspection of the gum residue on a number of 22 ounce bottles proved inconclusive; these bottles had been treated by another preservation process, and no numerals could be discerned.

Since the tax on medicines was one cent for each twenty-five cents of retail price up to one dollar, and two cents for each fifty cents or fraction thereof above that amount, the retail price of a 22 ounce bottle of Hostetter's Bitters should have been one dollar. However, a ledger kept by a trader at Fort Laramie,



Wyoming, in the mid-1860s, gives the retail price of a bottle of bitters at \$2.00, "patent medicine" at \$1.50, and "stomach bitters" at \$1.50 (no bottle sizes given) (Switzer, p. 82). Although the price of a bottle in the mining camps exceeded the tax rate, one may argue that all bottles were stamped at the factory assuming that the product would be sold at the normal price, without regard for dealer markups.

Thus, it would follow that the smaller size bottle normally sold for one dollar and displayed the four cent stamp, Scott RS132. My guess is that the 28 ounce bottles in one case were mistakenly affixed with four cent stamps. That the 28 ounce bottles were confused with 22 ounce bottles is further given credence by the fact that only 27 of the larger bottles were recovered, as compared to 2,267 bottles of the 22 ounce size.

Packed inside many of the wooden cases were eight to twelve copies of Hostetter's almanacs, dated 1865. One 18 by 25 inch Hostetter broadside was placed over the almanacs. These were printed on white paper with red lettering and border, and a black woodcut in the center depicts St. George slaying the dragon (Switzer, p. 34).

Three other brands of bitters were also found on board, and, while they are sadly lacking revenue stamps, they are described here for the benefit of the collector of collateral material.

Eighty-seven 32 ounce olive-green bottles and a number of fragments of J. H. Schroeder's Stomach Bitters were recovered. Stoppered with corks, they were capped with red sealing was or a tan putty-like substance. While these bottles are embossed "J. H. Schroeder/28 Wall Street/Louisville, KY." labels affixed read "Hostetter and Smith/Sole Proprietors and Manufacturers/58, 59 & 60 Water & Front Sts./Pittsburgh/Pa./In order to guard against counterfeits, purchasers will/please observe the name Dr. J.





Figure 6. One of three surviving entire copies of Scott R18c, still stuck to a cardboard matchbox fragment. The double handstamped cancellation indicates that the stamps were canceled before separation.

Hostetter's Stomach/Bitters pressed on the Bottle and our Proprietary /Revenue Stamp covering the cork and see that our/autograph signature (to counterfeit which is a felony)/is on the label." (Switzer, pp. 34-35). Evidently Schroeder's was a subsidiary of Hostetter's.

Eighty-eight 27 ounce amber-colored, cabinshaped bottles were found containing Drake's Plantation Bitters. Fragments of black on white paper labels adhere to the front and back panels. Some bottle show evidence of having been wrapped in a black and white printed paper wrapper bearing testimony to the

tonic's effectiveness (Switzer, pp. 36-37).

The wooden shipping cases for the Drake's Bitters are unusual in that the lids of several held display signs lettered in white, gold and black. The paper sign was affixed to a thin wooden backing and covered with a sheet of glass. In one corner is the firm's famous logo, "S. T. 1860 X." One of the signs still had a red cord attached for hanging.

Also found were a quantity of 25 ounce Kelly's Old Cabin Bitters, sealed with corks, and origi-

Figure 5. Hundreds of boxes of August Eichele's Superior Telegraph Matches aboard the Bertrand originally bore this label. The lower third of the label appears to have be folded over one edge of the box.



Figure 7. This fine stamp is one of fifteen surviving copies of Scott R11c. All copies were canceled "A. E./ FEB/186?"

nally bearing black-on-white labels printed by the American Bank Note Company (Switzer, pp. 37-38). It is regrettable that none of the rare Kelly revenue stamps survived, assuming these were used. One glass, paper and wood sign for Kelly's Old Cabin Bitters similar to the Drake's signs was also recovered.

Other Proprietary Articles

There were no perfume bottles in the cargo, but 22 small clear vials which presumably held perfume were recovered from a box of personal effects of one of the passengers. The manufacturer is unknown. No labels or stamps, if once attached, survived.

Strangely, no playing cards were found. One would think that the frontier miners would have wanted a goodly supply of these proprietary articles.

Many cases of caned fruit, including cherries, gooseberries, peaches, pineapple and strawberries were recovered. But since the tax on canned goods was not enacted until 1866, naturally none of the Bertrand foodstuffs exhibited revenue stamps.

Lastly, twenty-five 17 by 18 by 8 inch wooden cases, each containing one gross of cardboard boxes of matches, were recovered from the *Bertrand*. On one end, stenciled in black, is the legend "6 BOXS/SUPERIOR/920 DOZ E./TELEGRAPH/MATCHES/

MANUFACTURED BY/ A. EICHELE/ST. LOUIS MO." The wooden matches are square in cross section, 2.5 inches long, with whitish material at the tips. The light brown fibrous cardboard matchboxes apparently measured three inches long, 2.5 inches wide, and 1.5 inches high, but no boxes have survived intact, and only a rough sketch made during the hurried salvage operations allows us to know these dimensions (Peterson, personal communication).

Matchbox labels were printed in black on white paper 1.5 by 2.25 inches in size (Figure 5). Apparently they were affixed to the top, with the lower third of the label folded over a long side.

The *Bertrand* wreck predates by a few months August Eichele's private die stamps, first issued in June 1865; thus, the tax was paid using general issue proprietary stamps. Oddly, two values are found, the 2φ blue Playing Cards stamp and the 3φ Proprietary issue.

Sixteen fragments and three entire copies of Scott R18c, the First Issue 3¢ green Proprietary stamp, survived. One is still stuck to a cardboard matchbox fragment (Figure 6), and bears a circular black hand-stamped cancellation reading "A. E./FEB/186?" The year appears to read 1863, but 1865 would seem more likely. One wonders why stamps canceled with "1863" were applied to matchboxes probably manufactured in late 1864 or early 1865.

Also recovered were fourteen entire copes and one large fragment of Scott R11c, the First Issue 2¢ blue Playing Cards stamp. Some copies have holes, tears and ragged edges, and are faded and stained, as one would expect. But three stamps are in excellent condition (Figure 7). Each bears a cancellation as described before, with the uncertain year date.

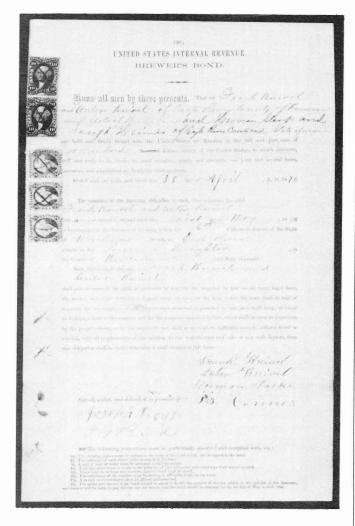
A museum cataloger estimated that the Eichele matchbox held 500 matches. This seemed too many for the box dimensions given in the field notes. To resolve the question, the actual recovered matches were carefully placed in a modern box of like dimensions, and 220 matches filled the box. A loosely filled box likely held 200 matches. This corresponds with the tax rate of 1¢ per 100 matches, and accounts for the 2¢ stamps. Apparently, a quantity of 300 count matchboxes were also on board, explaining the 3¢ revenue stamps. Readers owning Eichele matchboxes may be able to shed some light on this.

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On more than one occasion, Leslie A. Perry Peterson, museum curator of the *Bertrand* collection at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge, supplied invaluable information for this article. My thanks to her for all of her assistance.

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Document of the Month—continued from page 102



1867 USIR brewer's bond executed at Eagle River, Keweenaw County, on Michigan's remote Upper Peninsula.

good chunk of what I had paid for the lot. He also pointed out that another bond, while less interesting to him personally, had an origin that was probably inherently rarer, and certainly more intently sought after. It was from Eagle River, in Keweenaw County on Michigan's remote Upper Peninsula, a region famous for its copper mines but sparsely populated then and now. Early covers from the Upper Peninsula are evidently scarce. Somewhat unexpectedly, however, revenue-stamped drafts of mining companies located there are plentiful. A survey of such pieces shows that these companies all had head offices in the East, usually in New York City. Payments in the course of daily operations in Michigan were typically made by drafts drawn on the company treasurer at the main office. Once paid they were archived there,

and thus had a far greater chance of reaching philatelic hands than if they had remained in the Upper Peninsula. I have seen the following types:

- 1. Quincy Mining Company. Drafts and checks, circa 1862-1867, with dateline reading simply "Lake Superior." Many have stamps canceled by a circular company handstamp giving its location as Portage Lake. There are a relatively few bearer notes with Hancock dateline; this was in Houghton County.
- 2. Pennsylvania Mining Company. Drafts circa 1862-1864 with dateline simply "Keweenaw County." These come in two styles, both printed in red with multiple vignettes.
- 3. Iron Cliffs Company. Drafts and checks, circa 1866 and following, dateline Negaunee, which is in Marquette County.



1871 USIR bond for a brewery in Dallas, Michigan, evidently one of the last vestiges of this short-lived town, which was platted in 1857, then moved a mile west in 1867 and renamed Isabella.

- 4. Delaware Mining Company. Bearer notes circa 1865, printed in a style similar to the notes of the Pennsylvania Mine, also with dateline "Keweenaw County." Both companies had head offices in Philadelphia.
- 5. Providence Mining Company. Notes circa 1864-1865 with dateline, "L.S. Mich. Keweenaw County," the abbreviation presumable for "Lake Superior."
- 6. Saint Clair Mining Company. Drafts circa 1867, dateline Eagle River and handstamp cancel reading "Phoenix." The head office was in Boston.
- 7. Franklin Mine. A single 1863 draft on the Treasurer of the Quincy Mine, with manuscript dateline "Franklin Mine."

If one excepts this admittedly very large supply of Upper Peninsula mining drafts, other stamped documents originating there appear to be rare. The Eagle River bond featured here is the first such piece I can recall seeing. The odd combination of stamps affixed, overpaying the 25¢ tax, suggests that stamps may have been in short supply in at least some areas of the Peninsula.

The remaining bond in this lot, from Dallas in Clinton County, proved to have the rarest and most interesting origin of all. The town name evoked no recognition or interest from my Michigan friend, and a bit of digging in *Michigan Place Names* (Romig, undated) showed this was not surprising. A rural post office named Dallas had been established in 1849, but no town existed until the late 1850s. In 1856 Robert Higham, chief engineer of the Detroit & Milwaukee Railroad, selected the site for a town, and with a partner purchased 160 acres there. The town of Dallas was platted the following year, but swampy surrounding land doomed the venture, and according to

The Check Collector—May 1990

The May 1990 issue of *The Check Collector* has a cover story entitled "The name of this game is...Designated Checks." These are checks on which there is a designation as to what type of payment is to be made such as gold, currency or specie.

Additional articles in this issue include the second part of "Some Interesting Bills of Exchange," "Alamosa, Colorado and its first First National Romig the town was moved in 1867 about a mile to the west, and renamed Isabella. In 1869 its name was changed again to Fowler, after J.N. Fowler of Detroit, the owner of the land occupied by the new town. The post office name was officially changed from Dallas to Fowler in July 1871. Fowler was incorporated in 1885 and has a present population of a little over a thousand.

The brewer's bond under discussion was executed May 1, 1871, some years after Dallas had supposedly been vacated. The brewing operation was stated to be "in the town of Dallas," but in the space where one might expect an address, there is written instead, "on the North East ¼ of Sec. 32," suggesting that the brewer, one James Arens, may have felt it necessary to explain just where Dallas was. Moreover, in stating his place of residence, Arens specified "Dallas (P.O. Westphalia)," confirming that the town no longer had a post office. It seems likely that Arens' brewery was one of the last vestiges of the ill-fated town of Dallas.

This lot of documents was chosen more or less at random, to show the appeal of collecting stamped documents of a given region. Hundreds of other pieces would also have served the purpose. As a sidelight, I have been trying to find at least one stamped document from each of the counties of California. Why not try the same for your home state? One is bound to learn some interesting history and geography in the process, and hopefully turn a few seemingly common documents into treasures.

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Bank," and "Confusing Locations." There are also some additional short items and advertisements.

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18	RJ10* VF PHOTO	25.00
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20	RN-A10 cut square strip of stamp only, F	50.00
21	RN-C1 City Bank of New Haven, CT check, VF	
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53 54 55 56	88A VF corner crease PHOTO 104A torn in two and rejoined, PHOTO 115A VF	18.00 40.00 4.00			
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61 62	151C VF PHOTO 170A type 163, VF . PHOTO	17.00 15.00			
63	181A type 163, VF PHOTO	5.00			
64 65	1838* type 200, VF crease PHOTO FILLED CHEESE Springer #FC11 VF couple tape	20.00			
66	stains PHOTO CIGARETTES TA90b* VF	60.00 2.25			
67 68	CIGARS TC215 stencil ovpt, F-VF crease PH				
69	TC329 VF full repaired tear PHOTO TC329 VF full repaired tear PHOTO	9.50 9.50			
70	TOBACCO STAMPED PAPER Hicks #PW6-3, faulty and repaired, appears F	40.00			
71	CIGARS FOR EXPORTATION Series of 1878, VF				
72	punched remainder DISTILLERY WAREHOUSE Series of 1878, punched				
	remainder with the Deats & Sterling advert- isment for the Great Inter-State Fair print-				
73	on the back, VF DISTILLED SPIRITS Series of 1910 100 gallons with red ovpt., "CLASS A, NONBEVERAGE", F-VF				
74	few small faults, varnished Red bottle stamp, Bureau of ATF, for district				
75	CA-I-1070, strip of four, VF Bottled in Bond strips, 12 various, most with				
	Old Joe Distillery cancels dated 1941-63, few with small faults				
76	SPECIAL TAX STAMPS, Retail Malt Liquor Dealer, 1954, VF				
77	same, but 1955, VF				
7/A	Wholesale Liquor Dealer, 1957, VF same, but 1959, VF				
79	Opium, Coca Leaves, Marihuana, Etc., 1958, 1962, 1963, 1966, four diff., F				
80	6 various STS, 1974-78, WLD, RLD; RD(DS,W,B); WD(DS,W,B); WDB x 2; F-VF couple faults				
81	U.S. CUSTOMS Stamp for Imported Wine and Malt Liquors, Series of 1891, VF mint with				
82	stub, couple tears USDA FOOD ORDER 2G8* VF	1.75			
83	ALASKA Sport Fishing License 1954-5, \$1 Res. & \$3 Non-Res., VF mint				
84	CALIFORNIA Hubbard #D5abc strip of four on white paper with Comptrollers ovpt, VF				
85	D6abc strip of four on white paper with Comp- trollers ovpt, VF crease				
86	Bill of Lading Stamps, 1858-61 issue, 25 diff unused w/o Comptrollers ovpt, most on white				
87		00.00			
88	D158a strip of four with Comptrollers ovpt, VF creases				
89	D169ba strip of four with Comptrollers ovpt, VF	36.00			
90 91	Motor Vehicle License Decal, 1944, F creases MINNESOTA Deed Tax complete sheets of 100 of the 20¢, 50¢, \$1, \$3, \$4, \$5, and \$10, rou-				
92	letted, VF Deed Tax \$200 blue, booklet pane of 2, VF PH				
93	SOUTH DAKOTA 1949 Res. Migratory Waterfowl, VF crease				
94	1950 Res. Migratory Waterfowl, VF PHOTO				
95	WEST VIRGINIA Property Transfer Tax, complete sheets of 50 of the \$1.10, 3.30, 8.80, 14.30,				
	34.10 and 62.70, VF				

96	PHILIPPINES provisional "U.S. Military Gov- ernment/1900/Internal Revenue" in box and	
	"Supreme Court" handstamps in blue on 1894-5 5¢ Papel Sellado, VF cut square	
97	Provisional "U.S. Military Government/1900/ Internal Revenue" in box and "Court of First	
	/Quiapo" in blue; "U.S. Military Gov- ernment/1900-1901/Internal Revenue" in box in violet, on 1896-7 5¢ Papel Sellado, VF	
98	cut square W700, 702, two of each on back of a draft	
20	from the General Electric Co. payable in Manila, F staining	
99	W618a, 620a used on back of a restaurant check in 1944, F	2.004
100	W749* full sheet of 20, F-VF CIGARS Springer TC175b with violet "PHILIP-	3.00+
102	PINE ISLANDS" handstamp, VF full rep. tear TC333 and TC377, both with "PHILIPPINE IS-	
103	LANDS" handstamps, faulty TC422a F-VF thin PHOTO	
104	1954-63 Documentary Issue large die essay of the centavo values in dark green, VF PH	
105 106	-large die proof of the 2¢ in olive green VF -large die proof of the 2¢ in emerald green	
106	VF small amount of tone spots -large die proof of the 10¢ in blue, VF tone	
108	spots -large die proof of the 20¢ in dark green,	
109	VF bit of toning -large die proof of the P1 in black, VF	
110	tone spots OX3* F-VF	22.50
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112	FB40c* VF crease between stamps PHOTO	100.00
113	FB52* F	10.00
114	FB53* F-VF FB54* F	20.00
116	FSC5 F short perf	40.00
117	FSC17 F	45.00
118 119	FSC22* VF PHOTO FEG1-11* F-VF	50.00 55.25
120	FWM3 F couple toned perfs	35.00
121	FWM24 F-VF	10.00
122 123	FWM45 VF PHOTO FWM57 F-VF couple small faults PHOTO	35.00
124	FWT5-5* F-VF	85.00 15.00
125	FX49 F-VF	35.00
126	FX50 F straight edge at top	35.00
127 128	AL1 VF AL4 VF	10.00 6.00
129	AL5 faulty	85.00
130	AL6 VF	6.00
131 132	AL12 VF couple short perfs AL14 F-VF short perf	7.50 6.00
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	AL16 VF	8.50
	AL17-26 F-VF couple small faults BCL1-4 F-VF	27.90
	BCL5-6 F-VF	15.00
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158	NFM1a VF	12.50
159 160	NFR6 F-VF NFR11 VF PHOTO	12.50
	NFR21 F-VF staple holes	30.00
162	OHB3 F PHOTO	25.00
163	SL20 F	7.50
164 165	SL22 VF SL27 VF	12.00
166	SL38-44 F-VF	30.05
167	SL68-78* VF PHOTO EX	9.00
168 169	SE9-11 F-VF SE12,14,16,17,19,21,22, & 24, F-VF	24.00
170	SE28-9* F	14.50
171	SE30 F Canada & Provinces, 39 diff revenues, F	15.00 155.40
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RE3	.35	.25	RE55		.25	RE103		1.25	RE152	45.00	
RE4	1.75		RE56		35.00	RE104	16.00	11.00	RE153		.60
RE5	3.00	2.00	RE57		50.00	RE105	25.00	15.00	RE154	55.00	
RE6	2.00	.55	RE58		35.00	RE106	27.50	15.00	RE155		27.50
RE7	1.75	1.25	RE59		125.00	RE107	22.50	7.50	RE156		6.00
RE8	.55	.30	RE60	2.50	.25	RE107D		375.00	RE157		5.00
RE9	4.00	2.00	RE61	6.00	2.00	RE108	.65	.35	RE158		3.00
RE10	2.50	1.00	RE62	.90	.20	RE109	1.50	1.00	RE159	12.50	10.00
RE11	2.25		RE63	9.00	4.50	RE110	2.00	2.00	RE160	17.50	.50
RE12	2.50	1.00	RE64		.25	RE110a	90.00		RE161		80.00
RE13	8.50	5.00	RE65	1.50	.10	RE111	.90	.60	RE162 s/h		50.00
RE14	1.75	.50	RE66		1.00	RE112	2.75	2.50	RE163		55.00
RE15	3.00	.20	RE67		.10	RE113	3.50	2.00	RE164		30.00
RE17	1.25		RE69		.10	RE115	5.00	2.00	RE164 pf		20.00
RE18	.25	.10	RE70		.10	RE116	2.50	1.50	RE165		20.00
RE19	30.00		RE71		.10	RE117	2.00	1.25	RE165 pf		8.50
RE20	.10	.10	RE72		.50	RE118	2.00	1.25	RE173	3.25	1.50
RE21	1.75	1.50	RE73	3.75	.25	RE119	2.50	1.20	RE174	5.00	1.75
RE22	.75	.60	RE74	0.75	.10	RE120	2.50	3.00	RE175 pf	3.00	200.00
RE23	8.00	7.50	RE75		.30	RE121	3.50	1.50	RE176s/h		
RE24	.50	.25	RE76			RE122	5.00	1.50	RE178		50.00
RE25	.50				.10			00			45.00
	0.5	.30	RE77		1.25	RE123	3.75	.90	RE178 s/h		35.00
RE26	.35	.15	RE78		5.00	RE124	4.50	2.50	RE179	10.00	250.00
RE27	.55	.25	RE79	07.50	90.00	RE125	5.50	3.50	RE180	10.00	
RE28	40.00	.55	RE80	27.50	3.00	RE126	18.00		RE181s/h		1.00
RE29	18.00	8.50	RE81	20.00	6.00	RE127	4.00	1.50	RE183	50.00	
RE30	15.00	` 2.00	RE82	110.00	15.00	RE128	6.00	3.50	RE184	25.00	18.00
RE31	45.00	00	RE83		65.00	RE129	4.75	4.00	RE185	85.00	45.00
RE32	.35	.30	RE83A	.70	.20	RE130	4.75	1.00	RE186	15.00	15.00
RE33	3.50	3.00	RE84	.55	.25	RE131	3.25	.20	RE187	90.00	
RE34	.30	.25	RE85	.65	.15	RE133	.90	.10	RE188	75.00	
RE35		.75	RE86	1.00	.75	RE134		3.50	RE189		
RE36	6.00		RE87	6.00	100	RE135	2.00	.10	RE190	3.75	.65
RE37	1.25	.40	RE88	1.65	.50	RE136	1.50	.15	RE191	4.00	.75
RE38	1.75	1.75	RE89	1.65	.50	RE137	5.00	.30	RE192	11.00	4.00
RE39	1.75	1.75	RE90	5.00	4.00	RE138		2.25	RE193	3.75	.65
RE40	24.00	21.00	RE91		.15	RE139	8.00	4.00	RE194	100.00	
RE41	.30	.25	RE92	.55	.10	RE140	2.75	.15	RE195		35.00
RE43	3.00	2.25	RE93	1.75	.50	RE141	8.50	.75	RE196	4.25	.35
RE44		12.50	RE94		.15	RE142	100.00	3.50	RE198	30.00	
RE45	.60	.40	RE95	.35	.10	RE143		35.00	RE198b	65.00	20.00
RE46	3.00	2.00	RE96	1.25	.10	RE144		.15	RE199	3.50	.35
RE47		27.50	RE96A	80.00	3.00	RE145	10.00	.15	RE200	3.50	.35
RE48	.75	.55	RE97	.75	.10	RE146		.20	RE201	50.00	25.00
RE49	6.00	5.00	RE98	1.40	.15	RE147	1.50	.10	RE202	225.00	
RE50		3.00	RE99	1.25	.10	RE148		50.00	RE203		4.00
RE51	20.00	15.00	RE100	1.50	.10						

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