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### HAROLD SHAW BAREFORD 1894 - 1978



Harold Shaw Bareford was born April 21, 1894 in Millville, N.J., the youngest son of William Albert Bareford, master glass blower, and Mary Carey Shaw. He died suddenly at home on April 10, 1978 after spending a typically full day at his New York law office. High School valedictorian in 1912, he graduated in 1916 from Cornell Law School. During his college years he met Harriett Grace Hine, also a 1916 graduate, from Ithaca High School. They were married the following July.

He was commissioned in the Field Artillery at Plattsburg in November of 1917 and served until December of 1918. He joined the law firm of Thomas & Friedman and soon became a full partner. In 1920 they joined the legal staff of their client, Warner Bros. Pictures. In 1929 he was made General Counsel, Assistant Secretary and Director of Warner's. In 1943 he took a leave of absence to go on active duty as a Captain in the Coast Artillery. Discharged as a Major in 1945, he returned to Warner's, and on his retirement in 1959 he resumed full time private practice.

He was an active Mason and gave freely of his time to various charitable organizations. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and golfer nearly all his life.

Harold Bareford became a serious numismatist after the second World War and was a member of the ANA and the BNS, a fellow of the ANS and the RNS, and a member of the 1969 Federal Assay Commission. He was an officer from its inception of the Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention, serving with such numismatists as Raymond Gallo, Vernon Brown, Martin Kortjohn and Edward Hessberg. He was also President of the New York Numismatic Club from 1959 through 1961. His presidential gold medal is appropriately the cover theme of this catalogue of his United States gold coins.

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#### A SON WRITES ABOUT HIS FATHER

I think you might be interested in knowing a little more about how this extraordinary collection of United States gold coins was formed by my father, the late Harold S. Bareford. When he began systematically collecting coins at the end of World War II, my father recognized very clearly that gold coins of top quality were both extremely rare and grossly underpriced. With two exceptions, this collection was formed in the period from 1945 to 1951 when the coin market was actually in a decline. When prices began to advance after 1941, my father almost stopped purchasing gold coins, except for four lots from the Farouk Sale and five coins from the Davis-Graves Sale, both held in 1954.

Many collectors who today style themselves "condition freaks" were twenty years behind my father in appreciating quality. In 1947 he described the kind of a collection he was assembling to Paul Seitz in the following terms:

"I acknowledge receipt of your Mail Auction Catalog of May 7th, 1947, and am interested in a few items.... Perhaps a word about myself is in order. I collect only the very finest specimens...and am not interested in any coin which is not perfect.... I am enclosing herewith bids on a few of the coins based on the assumption that they are exactly that. If they have scratches or oxidation which affects the appearance on the face of the coin, or in any way are not perfect coins, I wish you to cross out my bid on such coins. To me a perfect brilliant proof...has no defects of any kind whatsoever, the same as gem uncirculated."

My father loved to display his coins at meetings and conventions, and to have what no one else had. He retained many of the original envelopes to preserve the history of his coins, but he coded purchase price information for privacy. He particularly liked to display his 1894 birth year set, with the Philadelphia coins all in Proof, and the branch mints in Gem Uncirculated condition.

Since he already had the \$1.00 and \$2.50 coins from 1875, he decided he would try to complete the set. Just to get the Proof 1875 half eagle he commissioned Abe Kosoff to buy from the Farouk Sale the 15 coin half eagle lot containing all dates and mints from 1871 to 1875. Dad's pattern gold dollars, the 1795 heraldic half eagle and three variations of 1820 half eagles also came from this sale. He was appalled, however, by the price and condition of some of the coins. Because he budgeted a fixed sum of money each year for coin purchases, he was frustrated for the first time in a collecting goal.

Then the Davis-Graves Sale came along with a complete set of 1862 Proofs. My father already owned an 1862 \$3.00 Proof, so he only needed five of the six coins for a long set. They were to be sold separately, or as a set to anyone who bid more than the combined prices. Inasmuch as my father would not buy duplicates, he threatened never again to do business with the Stack's if they sold the coins as a set. They didn't, and he had his long set, almost the last coins added to his collection. In view of my father's exacting standards, he bought very few of the larger gold coins. They were rarely struck or preserved in the condition he desired. He concentrated on half eagles and smaller denominations. For example, he was able to assemble a remarkable and nearly complete collection of gold dollars. There are a few missing because he never found suitable specimens and would not buy inferior ones. His collection also contains a nearly complete set of Charlotte and Dahlonega quarter eagles and half eagles in gem condition, a spectacular run of \$3.00 coins and many exquisite Proofs in all denominations. There are as well such classic rarities as the 1795 half eagle with large eagle reverse, the 1848 "Cal." quarter eagle, the 1875 dollar, quarter eagle, and half eagle, and the 1933 eagle.

Careful study of this catalogue will show that no collection of half eagles has ever come on the market in which the average condition of the coins has been higher. This is all the more remarkable when you consider that dad bought no duplicates, and never sold or traded-up for a coin in better condition. Blessed with a photographic memory, he either bought exactly what he wanted and knew to be the best, or he didn't buy.

It might have been fitting to keep the Bareford Collection intact, or even to enlarge it, but my father abhorred the permanent removal of coins from numismatic circulation. Museums, in his opinion, were less apt to care for and preserve coins than individuals spending their own money on them.

The acquisition of these coins gave my father a tremendous amount of pleasure. It was his desire that they be sold at public auction after his death in order to give as many collectors as possible the chance to enjoy the coins as much as he had. He would have been as proud as I am, and as Stack's should be, of the job that has been done in photographing and cataloguing the collection. In so doing Stack's has provided a fitting memorial to the Bareford Collection.

William Baufao

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LOTS 1 - 242

#### **UNITED STATES GOLD DOLLARS**

#### **GOLD PATTERNS**

#### RARE 1836 PATTERN GOLD DOLLAR



1 1836 Judd 67. Gold. Plain edge. 26 grains. Obverse: A radiated Liberty cap with LIBERTY raised on the band. Reverse: 1 D. encircled by a palm branch; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 1836 around. A lovely Brilliant Proof in deep yellow gold.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), lot 330, February 24, 1954.

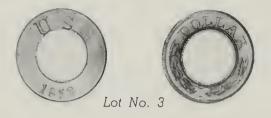
#### VERY RARE 1849 PATTERN GOLD DOLLAR



2 1849 Judd 115. Gold. Plain edge. 22.7 grains. The unusual engraved design by Longacre. Obverse: U. STATES OF AMERICA and a laurel wreath around a square perforation (as designed). Reverse: 1 DOLLAR 1849 surrounded by 13 stars. Milled borders. Brilliant Uncirculated, with a few light surface marks. Rarity 7.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), lot 331, February 24, 1954.

#### VERY RARE 1852 PATTERN GOLD DOLLAR



3 1852 Judd 141. Gold. Plain edge. 32.4 grains. Obverse: U.S.A. above; 1852 below a circular perforation (as designed). Reverse: DOLLAR and wreath around the perforation. Brilliant Uncirculated, slightly prooflike. Very rare. Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), lot 333, February 24, 1954.

#### TYPE I 1849 - 1854

- 1849 Open wreath. Small head with 'L'. Wire edge. Brilliant Uncirculated, 4 satiny and very choice. Ex Numismatic Gallery, lot 782, February 28, 1950.
- 5 1849 Open wreath. Large head with 'L'. Brilliant Uncirculated and a very

Ex Ira S. Reed, lot 560 (date unknown).

sharp strike.

toning.

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6 1849 Closed wreath. Heavy date. Brilliant Uncirculated. Full mint bloom and a needle-sharp strike.

Ex Numismatic Gallery's Memorable Collection, lot 2, March 1, 1948.



1849'C' Closed wreath. Brilliant Uncirculated, mint lustre. Pale yellow-orange

Ex Stack's H. R. Lee Collection, lot 941, October 4, 1947.



Lot No. 8

8 1849'D' Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty lustre. A bold impression. Rare. Ex B. Max Mehl's Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1398, February 18, 1947.



9 1849'O' Brilliant Uncirculated, full blazing mint lustre. A gem specimen. Very scarce.

Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1251, January 10, 1948.



10 1850'C' Brilliant Uncirculated, rich orange toning. It is unusually sharp including the date and mintmark. The rarest collectible gold dollar from the mintage standpoint.

Ex Numismatic Gallery, lot 787, February 28, 1950.



11 **1850'D' Brilliant Uncirculated,** fully lustrous. Weakly struck on the hair and correspondingly so on the reverse.

Ex A.N.A. Convention Sale, lot 632, August 1958.

12 **1850'O' Uncirculated.** Weakly struck in the centers, some light friction. An underrated date.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 963, October 4, 1947.

13 1851 Brilliant Uncirculated, mint lustre. Light bagmarks. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 557, December 5, 1947.



1851'C' Brilliant Uncirculated. A frosty, deep yellow gold gem. Rare in such

splendid condition. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1417, November 5, 1947.

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15 1851'D' Brilliant Uncirculated gem. A simply outstanding example, sharply struck, fully lustrous, delicate toning. Clearly one of the finest known. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1418, November 5, 1947.



16 1851'O' Brilliant Uncirculated gem. A satiny, partially prooflike specimen. Ex Barney Bluestone, October 4, 1947.

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17 1852 Brilliant Uncirculated. A very choice frosty specimen. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 559, December 5, 1947.

Lot No. 18

18 1852'C' Brilliant Uncirculated and a beautiful specimen. Pale orange toning. Ex W.G.C., lot 48, January 25, 1946.



19 1852'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. As is usually the case, the coin is struck from clashed dies resulting in some weakness here and there. Fully lustrous with orange toning. Rare.

Ex Ben's Stamp & Coin, March 22, 1951.

20 1852'O' Brilliant Uncirculated, full lustre, some prooflike surface. Deep yellow gold.

Ex B. Max Mehl, lot 1532, October 25, 1955.

21 1853 Brilliant Uncirculated. A superb specimen with a satiny surface. Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1320, February 18, 1947.



- Lot No. 22
- 1853'C' Brilliant Uncirculated. Frosty mint bloom with a hint of a prooflike 22 surface. Remarkably the planchet is perfect, usually they are irregular or flaked. Rare.

Ex Ben's Stamp & Coin, March 22, 1951.



23 1853'D' Brilliant Uncirculated, lustrous, with prooflike surface. As David Akers states in his book, "Typically weakly struck, particularly on the hair of Liberty." The balance of the coin, however, is rather nicely struck. A tiny planchet defect on the obverse rim. Rare.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 953, October 4, 1947.



1853'O' Brilliant Uncirculated and nearly in the gem category. A sharp strike 24 and really very scarce in Mint State.

Ex B. Max Mehl's Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2365, June 17, 1947.

25 1854 Brilliant Uncirculated, lustrous. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1138, December 5, 1947.



26 1854'D' Brilliant Uncirculated and a gem but for a miniscule hairline on the obverse. Clearly one of the best we've ever seen or handled. This coin surely must rank in the Condition Census of finest known specimens. Ex Memorable Collection, lot 60, March 1, 1948.



27 1854'S' The first year of issue and the only Type I San Francisco Mint gold dollar. Brilliant Uncirculated, deep yellow gold, with faint orange overtones. A beautiful example.

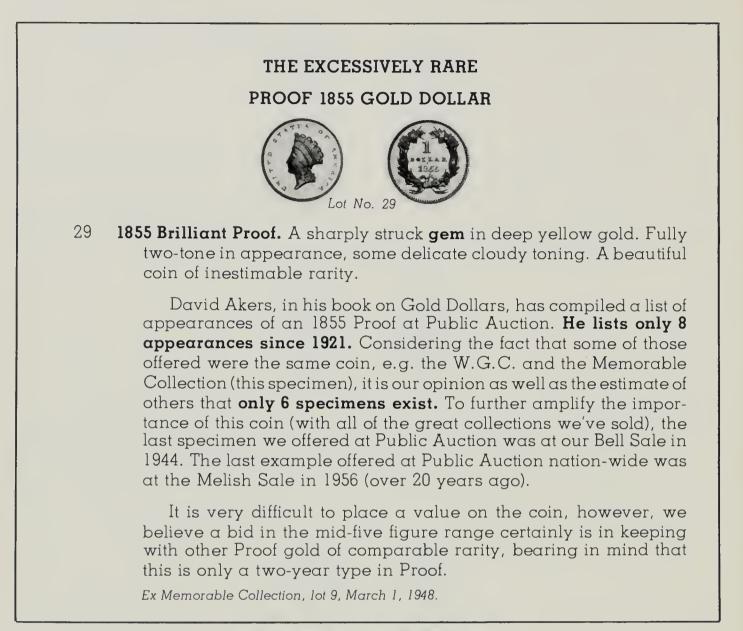
Ex Memorable Collection, lot 72, March 1, 1948.

#### **TYPE II**

#### 1854 - 1856



1854 The first year of this exquisite design. A pristine, needle-sharp, Brilliant 28 Uncirculated gem. Full blazing lustre. A coin of extraordinary beauty. Ex B. Max Mehl's Russell H. Renz Collection, lot 3417, March 23, 1948.





30 **1855'C' Brilliant Uncirculated.** Frosty mint bloom with delicate coppery overtones. The reverse, as usual, is better struck than the obverse but it is, by far, better than normally encountered. The clash marks are lightly in evidence. The planchet is excellent and overall it is a very attractive coin. The date is fully struck-up. Of the four Mint State specimens recorded by Akers, we've sold three of them. This is the best of all and it could probably be the "Finest Known."

Ex David Bullowa, October 10, 1951.



31 1855'O' The only Type II gold dollar struck at the New Orleans Mint. Brilliant Uncirculated. Nicely struck but for the '8' which is weak as usual. Deep yellow gold and really a lovely coin. Rare in Mint State.

Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1140, December 5, 1947.



32 1856'S' The only Type II gold dollar struck at the San Francisco Mint. Brilliant Uncirculated, wholly prooflike, and a superb strike. The faintest bag abrasions in the field from the superb category. Very scarce, especially so in this condition.

Ex Barney Bluestone, lot 1621, October 4, 1947.

#### **TYPE III**

#### 1856 - 1889



Lot No. 33

33 1856 Upright 5. Brilliant Uncirculated and a borderline gem but for some weakness at "RI" of AMERICA. We certainly agree with Akers that the Upright 5 is at least 5 to 10 times rarer than the Slanting 5.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 10, March 1, 1948.



34 1857'S' Brilliant Uncirculated, with mint lustre. Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 970, October 4, 1947.

## **VERY RARE**

PROOF 1858 GOLD DOLLAR



1858 Brilliant Proof. A magnificent specimen, deep yellow gold, pale 35 cloudy toning. Sharply struck, with a full two-tone appearance. In recent years we have only sold this date twice, our October 1973 and August 1976 sales.

Ex B. Max Mehl's Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 13, April 26, 1949.



- 36 1858'S' Brilliant Uncirculated and a gem. Full blazing lustre with delicate toning. In overall strike, color, and appearance, we do not believe this coin has its equal. It is also one of the most underrated coins in Mint State in the entire series.
  - Ex Memorable Collection, lot 73, March 1, 1948.



Lot No. 37

37 **1859 Brilliant Uncirculated gem.** Pristine! Nothing more need be said about this coin.

Ex H.M.F. Schulman, April 26, 1951.



38 1859'D' Brilliant Uncirculated, full frosty surface. An unusually bold strike. Delicate orange toning. Fully equal to any we've ever seen. Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2358, June 17, 1947.



39 **1859'S' Brilliant Uncirculated.** Slightly weak in strike but lustrous. Ex Ben's Stamp & Coin, March 22, 1951.



Lot No. 40

40 1860 Brilliant Proof. 154 struck. A splendid borderline gem, two-tone appearance, deep yellow gold. Only few are extant in this state of preservation. Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 15, April 26, 1949.

#### VERY RARE 1860'D' GOLD DOLLAR



41 1860'D' About Uncirculated, with lustre. Typical weakness at "UN" of UNITED. A very rare coin which had an accelerated attrition rate because of the Civil War.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., April 12, 1956.



42 **1860'S' Brilliant Uncirculated**, full lustre. Splendid pale orange toning. Some light bagmarks but overall a very attractive example of this fairly scarce coin.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2372, June 17, 1947.

43 1861 **Brilliant Uncirculated.** Struck from clashed dies but still a **gem.** The outline of the obverse is very clear on the reverse.

Ex Barney Bluestone, lot 882, December 4, 1948.



- Lot No. 44
- 44 1862 Brilliant Proof. 35 specimens struck. A gem in deep yellow-orange gold, with a two-tone appearance. As rare as, or rarer than any of the subsequent dates in Proof.

Ex Stack's Davis-Graves Collection, lot 877, April 10, 1954.

45 1862 **Brilliant Uncirculated.** Full lustre and very choice.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 913, October 4, 1947.



Lot No. 46

46 1863 Brilliant Proof. 50 specimens struck. A beautiful example in deep yellow gold. Slight "aura" about the head and a miniscule edge dinge on the obverse. Rare.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 19, March 1, 1948.



1864 Brilliant Uncirculated. A satiny beauty with pale orange toning. The date

47 which tends to be weak is **very strong** on this specimen. Rare.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1348, February 18, 1947.



Lot No. 48

48 1865 Brilliant Uncirculated, full frosty lustre. A gem in spite of a miniscule planchet defect near the first "L" of DOLLAR. A simply exquisite coin, formerly in the William A. Knapp Collection. Rare.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2314, June 17, 1947.



49 **1866 Brilliant Uncirculated,** frosty, with pale coppery toning. Nicely struck. Ex Stack's Mason Williams Collection, lot 764, November 7, 1947.



50 1867 Struck from clashed dies. Brilliant Uncirculated gem. A prooflike "First Strike" with pale coppery toning.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 22, April 26, 1949.



Lot No. 51

51 1868 Brilliant Proof. 25 specimens struck. A sparkling two-tone beauty and virtually flawless.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 23, April 26, 1949.

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52 1868 **Brilliant Uncirculated**, some prooflike surface. A thin scratch above the feathers and a touch of friction.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 919, October 4, 1947.



Lot No. 53

- 53 **1869 Brilliant Uncirculated,** full mint bloom. Nicely struck and choice. *Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 920, October 4, 1947.*
- 54 1870 Brilliant Uncirculated, sharply struck. A small copper stain on "UN" of UNITED.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., lot 310 (date unknown).

#### PROOFLIKE 1870'S' GOLD DOLLAR



55 **1870'S' Brilliant Uncirculated.** A "First Strike" with prooflike surface. A few trivial contact marks. Only 3,000 were coined and of that number only few are extant in this condition.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 76, March 1, 1948.





56 1871 Brilliant Proof. 30 specimens struck. Deep yellow gold. A few tiny marks but overall a beauty.

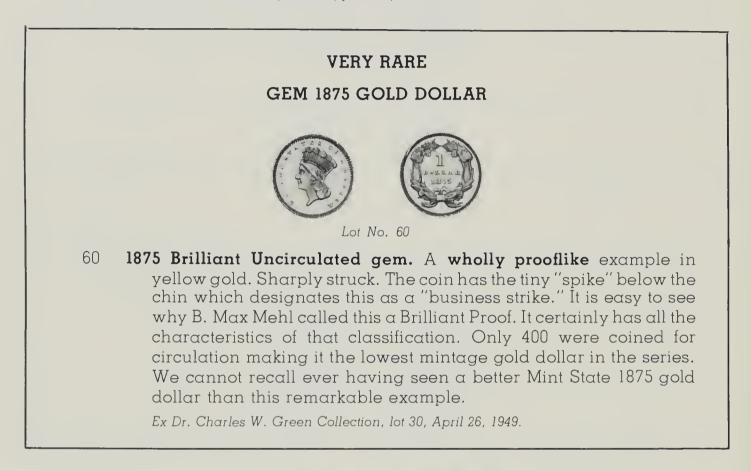
Ex Memorable Collection, lot 26, March 1, 1948.



57 **1872 Brilliant Proof.** 30 specimens struck. An extremely rare item with only three records of sale in about ten years (our Jay, Scanlon, and Garrett specimens).

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2321, June 17, 1947.

- 58 1873 Open 3. Brilliant Uncirculated, sating lustre. Ex B. Max Mehl. lot 1064 (date unknown).
- 59 1874 Brilliant Uncirculated. A gem specimen and most unusual; the obverse frosty, the reverse wholly prooflike. Formerly in the Ten Eyck Collection. Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2324, June 17, 1947.





61 **1876 Brilliant Proof.** 45 specimens struck. A **gem** example, sharply struck in yellow gold.

Ex B. Max Mehl's 50th Anniversary Sale, lot 274, May 23, 1950.



62 **1877 Brilliant Uncirculated** and a **gem.** A most deceptive "First Strike." **Wholly prooflike**, two-tone appearance. Were it not for the weakness at "C" of AMERICA and the doubling at DOLLARS (both diagnostic of a business strike), one would be sorely tempted to call it a Proof as Mehl did when he catalogued the Dr. Green Collection in 1949.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 32, April 26, 1949.

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- 63 1878 Brilliant Uncirculated. A choice example with a satiny surface. Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., April 28, 1952.
- 64 1879 Brilliant Uncircualted. A partially prooflike gem. Ex New Netherlands Com Co., March 7, 1947.



65 1880 Brilliant Proof. 36 specimens struck. Deep yellow gold. This sharply struck example displays all of the criteria set forth for a Proof as described in Breen's new book on proof coinage, i.e. closed wreath, no die scratches, etc. One glance at the next lot shows the difference.
5. Will W. N. d. C. N. d. (2000) June 17, 1017.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2330, June 17, 1947.

66 1880 **Brilliant Uncirculated.** A wholly prooflike borderline gem. This specimen displays the open wreath and lighter strike common to those struck for circulation.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., March 7, 1947.



67 **1881 Brilliant Proof.** 87 specimens struck. Closed wreath. A magnificent strike and virtually in the gem category.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1372, February 18, 1947.



68 **1882 Brilliant Proof.** 125 specimens struck. A needle-sharp strike. **Superb.** *Ex Russell H. Renz Collection, lot 3441, March 23, 1948.* 



69 1883 Brilliant Proof. 207 specimens struck. Square wire edges. A splendid example, with faint toning.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 38, April 26, 1949.

70 1883 **Brilliant Uncirculated.** Full frosty mint bloom and virtually in the gem category.

Ex Mason Williams Collection, lot 780, November 7, 1947.



71 1884 Brilliant Proof. 1,006 specimens struck. A beauty with some light coppery toning. Formerly in the Ten Eyck Collection. Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2334, June 17, 1947.



Lot No. 72

72 **1885 Brilliant Proof.** 1,105 specimens struck. A very choice example in deep yellow gold.

Ex Hollinbeck, lot 193, December 31, 1951.



- 73 1886 Brilliant Proof. 1,016 specimens struck. A sharply struck example with but a few faint hairlines from perfection. Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 41, April 26, 1949.
- 74 1886 Brilliant Uncirculated. A satiny and partially prooflike gem. Ex Mason Williams Collection, lot 783, November 7, 1947.



Lot No. 75

75 1887 Brilliant Proof. 1,043 specimens struck. Deep greenish-yellow gold, with α few tiny lintmarks.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1379, February 18, 1947.



Lot No. 76

76 1888 Brilliant Proof. 1,079 specimens struck. The barest touch of friction in the field.

Ex Hollinbeck, lot 571 (date unknown).

77 1888 Brilliant Uncirculated gem. A splendid satiny example. Ex Mason Williams Collection, lot 786, November 7, 1947.



78 **1889 Brilliant Proof.** 1,779 specimens struck. A magnificent beauty in deep yellow gold with a few copper stains.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 44, April 26, 1949.

79 1889 Brilliant Uncirculated gem. Full frosty lustre. Ex B. Max Mehl, lot 1074 (date unknown).

## **UNITED STATES QUARTER EAGLES (\$2.50 GOLD)**

#### CLASSIC HEAD

#### 1834 - 1839

#### SENSATIONAL 1836 QUARTER EAGLE



80 **1836 Brilliant Uncirculated and a gem.** A few scattered miniscule marks and a thinness on the obverse edge as struck. Although common as a date, it is extremely rare in this condition. A sparkling little beauty with a frosty surface.

Ex Ira S. Reed, lot 652 (date unknown).

#### SUPERB 1838'C' QUARTER EAGLE



81 **1838'C' Brilliant Uncirculated** and really superb in spite of a bagmark or two. An extremely sharp impression, with full mint bloom. The cataloguer cannot recall seeing a better specimen.

Ex B. Max Mehl's William C. Atwater Collection, lot 2020, June 11, 1946.



82 **1839'C'** Recut date. **Brilliant Uncirculated.** A very attractive specimen, with exquisite orange toning. The usual light die cracks which are always prevalent on this date. To the best of our knowledge, the last specimen offered nearly this nice was at our 1971 A.N.A. Sale.

Ex W.G.C., lot 189, January 25, 1946.



83 1839/8'D' Overdate (as are all). About Uncirculated with frosty lustre. This coin is from our H. R. Lee Collection where it was ultra conservatively catalogued as Extremely Fine.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1111, October 4, 1947.



84 1839'O' Brilliant Uncirculated, deep yellow gold, with a coppery tint. A lovely specimen with very light bagmarks. A scarce mint and type coin. Ex B. Max Mehl's B. A. Talmadge Collection, lot 1232, October 20, 1951.

#### **CORONET TYPE**

1840 - 1907



85 **1840'C' Brilliant Uncirculated.** Perfectly struck in yellow gold with a delicate coppery tint. Partial wire edge. A borderline gem and without question the best we've seen or handled.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2496, June 17, 1947.



86 1840'D' Just a hairsbreadth from Uncirculated. A first rate example, sharply struck, all stars with full radial lines. A prooflike surface. This specimen could possibly be the "Finest Known" since there are no Mint State specimens known.



Lot No. 87

87 1841'C' Brilliant Uncirculated. Special comment must be made about the strike of this specimen. We quote from Akers' book on Quarter Eagles, "This scarce date is always weakly struck particularly on the head of Liberty . . ." The head on this coin, however, is perfectly and sharply struck. Most of the stars have their radial lines. We feel reasonably sure that this is our H. R. Lee specimen but cannot definitely attribute it to that Sale. Very rare in this condition and one of the finest known, if not the best, of the half dozen extant.



88 1843'D' Small date. Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty lustre. The slightest touch of friction but really a lovely coin.

Ex E. H. Windau, May 26, 1947.



Lot No. 89

89 **1843'O'** Large date. **Brilliant Uncirculated.** Full blazing mint lustre, tiny obverse edge nick. Virtually in the gem category. This rare coin should realize at least twice its current listing. The only Uncirculated specimen sold in recent years was in our January 1974 Sale.

Ex B. A. Talmadge Collection, lot 1235, October 20, 1951.



Lot No. 90

90 1846'C' Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty mint bloom. A few scattered bagmarks but still a splendid example of this scarce date of which only 4,808 were coined. We have not had a Mint State specimen in one of our sales since 1965.



91 1846'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. Virtually full lustre but with some very faint friction. Sharply struck in greenish-yellow gold. Very rare in this condition. Ex O. B. Windau, May 26, 1947.



Lot No. 92

92 **1846'O' Brilliant Uncirculated**, full frosty mint bloom. Flatly struck with the .obverse slightly bulged. The entire date is recut but especially the last two digits; in fact, the 6 really appears to be over a 5 or a 3. A very interesting coin.

Ex B. A. Talmadge Collection, lot 1238, October 20, 1951.



Lot No. 93

93 **1847'C' About Uncirculated** and choice. In fact so nice that it was acquired as Uncirculated in 1947.

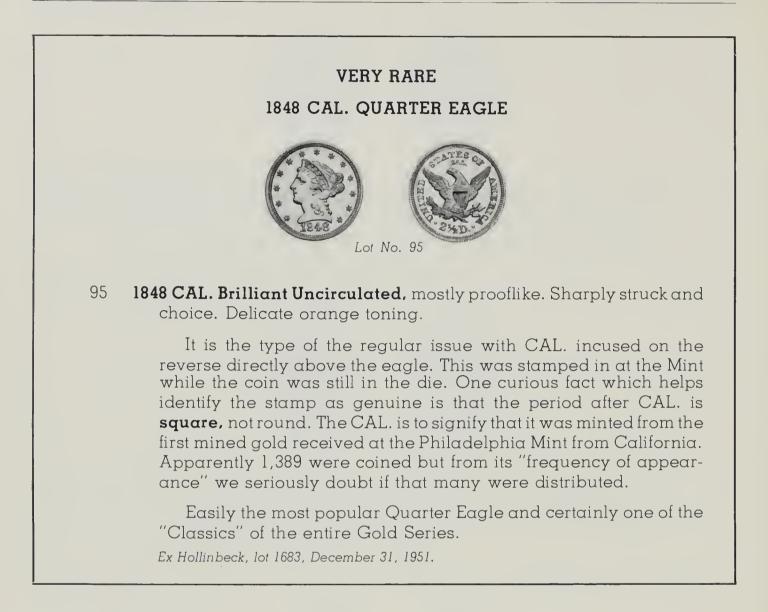
Ex E. H. Windau, May 26, 1947.



Lot No. 94

94 **1847'D' Brilliant Uncirculated.** Full mint lustre with some prooflike surface. Sharply struck and quite lovely.

Ex O. B. Windau, May 26, 1947.





96 **1848'D' Brilliant Uncirculated,** full frosty mint lustre. A lovely specimen, formerly in the Clapp Collection.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1119, October 4, 1947.



97 **1849'D' Brilliant Uncirculated.** Full mint bloom with delicate orange overtones. A simply beautiful coin which is very rare in Mint State. Probably only 6-10 are known in Mint State.

Ex Russell H. Renz Collection, lot 3581, March 23, 1948.



98 1853'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. The usual uneven strike but with most of its mint lustre adhering. A very scarce date of which only 3,178 were coined. *Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1691, December 31, 1951.* 



99 **1857'D' Brilliant Uncirculated,** fully lustrous. Lightly cleaned years ago, the faint hairlines barely noticeable because of the lovely golden toning. A very beautiful example of this scarce date.

Ex B. A. Talmadge Collection, lot 1230, October 20, 1951.



100 **1858'C' Brilliant Uncirculated,** some trace of a prooflike surface. Pale orange toning. Weakly struck on the head and eagle, a fact brought out in David Akers' book on the subject. Rare.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1109, October 4, 1947.



101 **1859'D' Brilliant Uncirculated,** deep yellow-orange gold. The central portion not as strong as the periphery which is not at all unusual. A very low mintage item.

Ex William C. Atwater Collection, lot 2058, June 11, 1946.

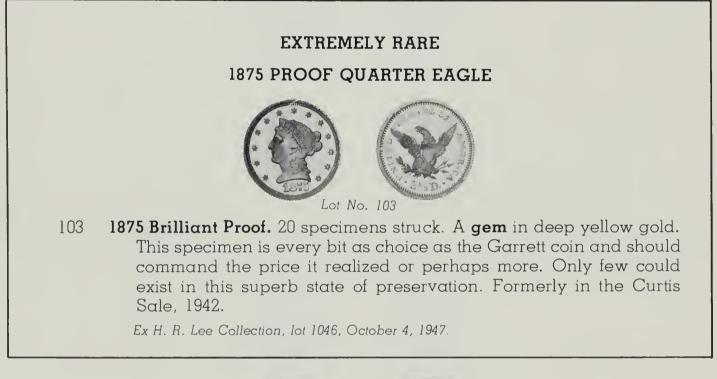
#### VERY RARE

#### 1862 PROOF QUARTER EAGLE



102 **1862 Brilliant Proof.** 35 specimens struck. A needle-sharp **gem** in deep yellow gold. Only three specimens offered in recent years (our Scanlon, Ullmer, and Garrett specimens). This beauty will no doubt realize far in excess of its current listing.

Ex Davis-Graves Collection, lot 876, April 10, 1954.





104 **1885 Brilliant Proof.** 87 specimens struck. A choice example in pale yellow gold, with partial wire edge. Slightly cloudy. Rare as a date as well as a Proof.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1495, February 18, 1947.



105 **1887 Brilliant Proof.** 122 specimens struck. An exquisite deep yellow gold example, fully in the **gem** category.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1497, February 18, 1947.



106 **1892 Brilliant Uncirculated.** A blazing **gem**, and a fantastic example of this very scarce coin. The cataloguer would be greatly surprised if a better example exists.



107 **1893 Brilliant Proof.** 106 specimens struck. A beautiful Proof in deep yellow gold.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2467, June 17, 1947.



Lot No. 108

108 **1894 Brilliant Proof.** 122 specimens struck. A superb example, light cloudy toning. Formerly in the Col. Green Collection.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1504, February 18, 1947.



Lot No. 109

109 1895 Brilliant Proof. 119 specimens struck. A few very faint hairlines but a splendid example. Deep yellow gold. Partial wire edge. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1747, December 31, 1951.



110 **1897 Brilliant Proof.** 136 specimens struck. A pristine two-tone **gem.** Ex Farouk Collection (Mehl), lot 1916, June 15, 1951.



111 1898 Brilliant Uncirculated gem. A wholly prooflike "First Strike." Purchased in England as a Proof.



112 1899 Brilliant Proof. 150 specimens struck. A lovely example, sharply impressed in deep yellow gold. Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2473, June 17, 1947.



113 1900 Brilliant Proof. 205 specimens struck. A gem specimen, with some light iridescent toning on the reverse.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1511, February 18, 1947.



114 1901 Brilliant Proof. 223 specimens struck. A splendid example, two-tone appearance.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2475, June 17, 1947.

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115 1902 Brilliant Proof. 193 specimens struck. A gem example of the first of the "all bright" Proofs.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2476, June 17, 1947.



116 1903 Brilliant Proof. 197 specimens struck. Pale yellow gold. Choice. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1526, December 31, 1951.



117 1904 Brilliant Proof. 170 specimens struck. A beauty in yellow gold. Ex Memorable Collection, lot 161, March 1, 1948.



118 **1905 Brilliant Proof.** 144 specimens struck. A **gem** in yellow gold with an orange tint.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2479, June 17, 1947.



119 **1906 Brilliant Proof.** 160 specimens struck. A very choice example. *Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2480, June 17, 1947.* 



Lot No. 120

120 **1907 Brilliant Proof.** 154 specimens struck. A beauty, sharply struck in yellow gold.

Ex Numismatic Gallery, November 27, 1946.

#### **INDIAN HEAD**

1908 - 1929



- 121 1908 Matte Proof. 236 specimens struck. A very choice example, virtually free from a shiny spot. *Ex W.G.C., lot 176, January 25, 1946.*
- 122 1914'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. Sharply struck and very choice.
- 123 1928 Brilliant Uncirculated. Fully lustrous and choice.

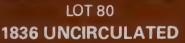
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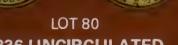






















LOT 99 1857 'D' UNCIRCULATED

**1885 PROOF** 



LOT 81 1838 'C' UNCIRCULATED





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**1862 PROOF** 

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**1908 PROOF** 



LOT 41 1860 'D' ABOUT UNCIRCULATED





1854 'D' UNCIRCULATED

LOT 1

**1836 PATTERN** 



LOT 26



















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UNITED STATES GOLD DOLLARS

**1849 PATTERN** 

LOT 29

**1855 PROOF** 

**LOT 55** 

1870 'S' UNCIRCULATED

#### LOT 3 **1852 PATTERN**



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**1858 PROOF** 

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**1875 PROOF-LIKE** 



# UNITED STATES THREE DOLLAR GOLD



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LOT 128 **1859 PROOF** 





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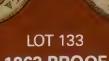


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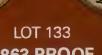




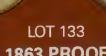


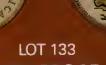


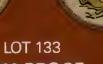




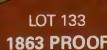














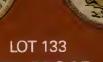
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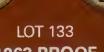




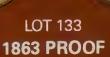










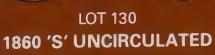






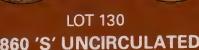


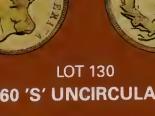


























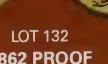


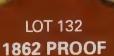










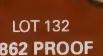


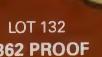
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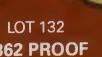
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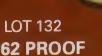
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**1881 UNCIRCULATED** 





































1883 **PROOF** 



LOT 143



## **UNITED STATES HALF EAGLES**





LOT 150 **1795 SMALL EAGLE** 





LOT 151 1795 LARGE EAGLE





LOT 160 **1820 PROOF-LIKE** 







**1823 UNCIRCULATED** 







LOT 176 **1862 PROOF** 



**1929 UNCIRCULATED** 





LOT 161 1820 UNCIRCULATED



LOT 163 **1834 UNCIRCULATED** 





LOT 189 **1875 PROOF** 

## UNITED STATES EAGLES



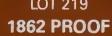


LOT 218 **1799 UNCIRCULATED** 





LOT 219







LOT 225 **1933 UNCIRCULATED** 



LOT 220 **1894 PROOF** 

## **UNITED STATES DOUBLE EAGLES**



1220



LOT 229 **1862 PROOF** 



LOT 236 **1907 ROMAN NUMERALS** 

LOT 230 **1886 PROOF** 

## **UNITED STATES THREE DOLLAR GOLD**

1854 - 1889



Lot No. 124

124 **1854 Brilliant Uncirculated,** full sating surface. **A blazing gem.** The coin really leaves nothing to be desired. Although a common date, it is very rare in this condition.

Ex Stack's, December 6, 1949.



125 1855 Brilliant Uncirculated. A superb frosty, and sharply struck specimen. Really an undervalued date in Mint State. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1307, January 10, 1948.

## EXTREMELY RARE

#### MINT STATE 1855'S THREE DOLLAR GOLD



126 **1855'S' Brilliant Uncirculated**, full frosty mint lustre. Sharply struck including the mintmark. The minutest touch of friction on the high points. **In our opinion**, this is probably the rarest Mint State Three Dollar Gold piece.

The last specimen we had at Auction was in our Hall Collection in 1945. David Akers could only find three records of sale since 1944; Stack's Hall and Bell Sales, and Mehl's Olsen Sale. He was unaware of this piece which Mehl had in a 1954 sale.

The date itself is vastly underrated. We quote from Akers' book, "Overall it has the lowest average grade of any date in the entire series." We would not be at all surprised if this rarity realized a bid close to the five figure mark. *Ex B. Max Mehl's 115th Sale, lot 2660, November 30, 1954.* 



127 **1856 Brilliant Uncirculated.** Lovely sating surface, yellow gold, with a delicate coppery tint. Choice.

Ex B. Max Mehl's Curtis Collection, lot 1188, January 27, 1942.



128 1859 Brilliant Proof. Mintage unknown. Virtually a twin to the Garrett coin we sold in March 1976. A needle-sharp strike, the 9 double cut. An "aura" about the head, common to early Three Dollar Gold Proofs. Beautiful deep yellow gold.

In the description of the Garrett specimen we brought out a most important fact. **Many of the multiple appearances of these early Proof gold coins revolve about a single specimen.** Our best estimate is that 6 to 10 are extant.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 245, March 1, 1948.



129 1860 Brilliant Uncirculated gem. Full blazing mint frost, some light toning on the reverse. Although not particularly rare as a date it is very rare in Mint State, especially so in this exquisite state of preservation. Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1176, October 4, 1947.

## VERY RARE MINT STATE 1860'S' THREE DOLLAR GOLD



130 **1860'S' Brilliant Uncirculated** and mostly prooflike. Some scattered marks in the field magnified by the surface. This, like the 1855'S' in the sale, is one of the rarest coins of the series in the upper grades, however, in Mint State it is virtually unknown. Akers lists only five specimens offered since 1944 and this is one of them. Formerly the Kern specimen sold by Mehl in 1950.

Ex B. Max Mehl's 115th Sale, lot 2669, November 30, 1954.



131 1861 Brilliant Proof. 113 specimens struck. A sharply struck beauty, with a few tiny copper stains. Obviously, from its "frequency of appearance," only a fraction of that amount reached the market. According to Akers, "The 1861 is possibly the most underrated Three Dollar Gold piece in Proof in the entire series." We certainly agree that it is one of the most difficult to locate. In fact, we sold three 1875's yet only one Proof 1861 in a similar time span.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 247, March 1, 1948.



132 1862 Brilliant Proof. 35 specimen struck. A superb Proof in deep yellow gold. The date has appeared a number of times but only few could match this specimen.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 248, March 1, 1948.



133 **1863 Brilliant Proof.** 39 specimens struck. A sharply impressed example of this rare date, full two-tone appearance and choice.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 249, March 1, 1948.



Lot No. 134

134 1864 Brilliant Proof. 50 specimens struck. A two-tone specimen and very attractive. The faintest "aura" about the head. A very choice example. Ex Memorable Collection, lot 250, March 1, 1948.



Lot No. 135

135 1868 Brilliant Proof. 25 specimens struck. A lovely Proof in yellow gold with a pale orange tint, and light cloudy toning. In our Garrett Sale, March 1976, we stated, "This is the only year of Three Dollar Gold (in Proof) we have not had at Public Auction in over 10 years." This will give the collector an idea of its rarity.

Ex Farouk Collection (Mehl), lot 1990, June 15, 1951.



Lot No. 136

136 1869 Brilliant Uncirculated. A gem with but a few microscopic contact marks. A really sensational example of this very scarce date.

Ex H.M.F. Schulman, April 26, 1951.



137 **1874 Brilliant Uncirculated**, fully lustrous. Ex B. Max Mehl, lot 1181 (date unknown).



138 1878 Brilliant Uncirculated. A magnificent specimen with full blazing lustre. Bought privately from Joseph Spray (a prominent collector in the 30's and 40's).



139 1879 Brilliant Uncirculated. Full frosty lustre with a hint of a prooflike surface. A few scattered bagmarks but overall a splendid coin.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 216, April 26, 1949.



140 1880 Brilliant Proof. 36 specimens struck. A lovely two-tone example, with the usual light "aura" about the head. Light cloudy toning. Rare.
En Memorphic Collection, let 266, Merch J. 1049.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 266, March 1, 1948.



141 1881 Brilliant Uncirculated. A gem, partially prooflike example of this rare date. Only 500 were struck for circulation, therefore, very few could exist in this outstanding condition. Formerly in the V. Bortiglio Collection.

Ex A.N.A. Convention Sale, lot 681, August 26, 1947.



142 **1882 Brilliant Proof.** 76 specimens struck. A choice example in deep yellow gold, with full wire edge.

Ex Will W. Neil Collection, lot 2593, June 17, 1947.



143 1883 Brilliant Proof. 89 specimens struck. A gem, two-tone example of this low mintage coin. Wire edge obverse and reverse. From the original Gold Proof Set in our April 1954 Sale.

Ex Davis-Graves Collection, lot 887, April 9, 1954.



Lot No. 144

144 1884 Brilliant Proof. 106 specimens struck. A needle-sharp strike with a very faint "aura" about the head. A lovely example and seldom offered in Proof. In fact, rarely is it available in any condition.
E. M. S. M.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 270, March 1, 1948.



145 1885 Brilliant Proof. 110 specimens struck. An exquisite example, fully twotone. A small fingerprint on the reverse but the coin is really a beauty. Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1643, February 18, 1947.



146 **1886 Brilliant Proof.** 142 specimens struck. A two-tone Proof, with light toning. Sharply struck. Very scarce.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1644, February 18, 1947.



Lot No. 147

147 1887 Brilliant Proof. 160 specimens struck. A superb example in deep yellow gold, with light toning. Sharply struck and very choice.
 Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1204, October 4, 1947.



Lot No. 148

148 **1888 Brilliant Proof.** 291 specimens struck. A lovely coin but some faint friction in the field. Struck in deep yellow gold and really quite attractive.

Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1647, February 18, 1947.



Lot No. 149

149 1889 Brilliant Proof. 129 specimens struck. A beauty in deep yellow gold, light toning. Sharply struck. Very popular as the last year of issue. Ex B. Max Mehl's 50th Anniversary Sale, lot 239, May 23, 1950.

## **UNITED STATES HALF EAGLES (\$5.00 GOLD)**

## CAPPED BUST RIGHT. SMALL EAGLE

## 1795 - 1798



150 **1795 Small Eagle. About Uncirculated**, considerable mint lustre. Lightly cleaned many many years ago, showing some hairlines. Exquisite pale orange toning and slightly prooflike. In its last appearance it was catalogued as Uncirculated, and frankly we also doubt if it saw any circulation. We have, however, lowered the grade because of the light cleaning which was probably done to remove all of the splendid toning. A really beautiful coin which will no doubt realize a bid in the five figure area.

Ex W.G.C., lot 315, January 25, 1946.

## CAPPED BUST RIGHT. HERALDIC EAGLE

1795 - 1807



Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), lot 226, February 28, 1954.



152 **1800 Brilliant Uncirculated.** Mostly frosty with a suggestion of a prooflike surface. Tiny reverse edge nick over "E" of AMERICA. A better than average strike for the date.

Ex B. Max Mehl, lot 1209 (date unknown).



153 1803/2 Brilliant Uncirculated. Pale yellow gold with pale orange overtones, mostly on the reverse. Some very faint planchet adjustment marks on the obverse. Very attractive.

Ex Ira S. Reed, lot 732 (date unknown).



154 1804 Small 8. Brilliant Uncirculated. Sharply struck and a sensational specimen. Full frosty mint bloom with delicate orange overtones. The usual reverse rim break touching the "T" of UNITED. Ex James Kelly, lot 1416, November 4, 1947.



155 1804 Small 8 over Large 8. Brilliant Uncirculated. The obverse mostly prooflike, the reverse frosty. An extremely attractive coin and very sharp even though it was struck from clashed dies. Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1658, February 18, 1947.



156 1806 Pointed 6. Brilliant Uncirculated, full blazing lustre, orange toning. Some scattered bagmarks but a borderline gem. Ex Stack's, May 1951.



157 **1807** The last year of this design. **Brilliant Uncirculated**, full frosty lustre. A magnificent **gem.** The buyer of this lot should seriously contemplate purchasing the next lot as well. They make an ideal pair showing the transition of style.

Ex Dr. Charles W. Green Collection, lot 241, April 26, 1949.

## CAPPED AND DRAPED BUST LEFT

1807 - 1812



158 **1807** The first year of this design. **Brilliant Uncirculated**, full frosty lustre. A small obverse copper stain, and a larger one on the reverse. Virtually in the gem category.

Ex B. Max Mehl, lot 1194 (date unknown).

## CAPPED HEAD LEFT. MOTTO. LARGE PLANCHET

## 1813 - 1829



159 1820 Curled base 2, large letters. Brilliant Uncirculated, full satiny surface. Deep yellow gold with a light orange tint. Absolutely exquisite and bordering on the gem category.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 235, February 28, 1954; later from H.M.F. Schulman, February 15, 1955.



160 1820 Curled based 2, large letters. As above, but this has a noticeably recut 5 D. on the reverse. Brilliant Uncirculated and wholly prooflike. Deep yellow gold, pale orange toning, some faint signs of contact with other coins. Truly a magnificent specimen. Both this and the previous lot are equal to any offered in the last decade.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 235, February 28, 1954; later from H.M.F. Schulman, February 15, 1955.



161 1820 Square base 2. Brilliant Uncirculated. Mostly prooflike, some light friction on the high points. A very pretty coin with a pale coppery tint.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 235, February 28, 1954; later from H.M.F. Schulman, February 15, 1955.



162 1823 Brilliant Uncirculated. A gem, sharply struck in yellow gold with pale coppery toning. Fully equal to any we've seen in recent years. Well worth a bid into five figures. From the James Lawson Collection sold in 1947. An interesting note preceded that consignment and we quote: "These coins have reposed in a bank vault since Mr. Lawson's death in 1880 and are now being sold by order of Mrs. Mabel R. Sandford." This coin, therefore, has had only two owners in the past 100 years!

Ex A.N.A. Convention Sale, lot 430, August 26, 1947.

## CLASSIC HEAD

## 1834 - 1838



163 1834 Plain 4. Brilliant Uncirculated and mostly prooflike. Some frost about its periphery. A few light bagmarks but overall a superb specimen. Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1691, February 18, 1947.



Lot No. 164

164 **1838'D' About Uncirculated,** full mint bloom. A very choice example with the most exquisite coppery toning imaginable. Worth a premium for the coloration alone.

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 445, March 1, 1948.

## CORONET TYPE. NO MOTTO

1839 - 1866



165 1841'C' Brilliant Uncirculated, deep yellow gold with a greenish-coppery tint. A needle-sharp strike with a wire edge. This can only be compared with our Miles specimen and we feel this is better. Formerly in Elder's Gehring Sale, lot 152, August 26, 1921.

Ex Kosoff, lot 1991, May 4, 1956.



166 1844'C' Brilliant Uncirculated. Full blazing mint lustre with a minimum of bagmarks. An absolutely first-rate example of this scarce coin. One of only four Mint State specimens appearing at auction in 30 years according to Akers' research (still in manuscript form).

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1363, October 4, 1947.



167 **1844'D' Brilliant Uncirculated.** Yellow gold with pale toning. Light bagmarks but really very choice.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., lot 340 (date unknown).



168 1844'O' Brilliant Uncirculated, deep yellow gold, prooflike surface. An outstanding example of this scarce Mint. This cataloguer has never seen a better strike. Formerly in the Clapp Collection.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1266, October 4, 1947.



1845'D' Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty lustre. A superb strike with some prooflike 169 surface in the devices. Light toning.

Ex E. H. Windau, July 21, 1947.



Lot No. 170

170 1846'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. Deep greenish-yellow gold with coppery toning. Sharply struck and attractive, with a minimum of bag abrasions. Formerly in the Clapp Collection.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1388, October 4, 1947.



Lot No. 171

1849'C" Brilliant Uncirculated. Full mint bloom with some prooflike surface. 171 This is one of only four known specimens in Mint State. An exceptional coin and probably the finest known.

Ex William C. Atwater Collection, lot 1763, June 11, 1946.



Lot No. 172

172 1850'C' Brilliant Uncirculated. Struck in greenish-yellow gold and wholly prooflike. A needle-sharp strike including the mintmark which most often is seen weak or barely visible. An incredible coin.



173 **1853'C' Brilliant Uncirculated.** A sharply struck, fully lustrous, and partially prooflike example of this scarce date. In Breen's pamphlet he makes mention that he only heard of one specimen in Mint State: The W.G.C.-Memorable coin. The specimen offered here is that coin. Of the utmost importance!

Ex Memorable Collection, lot 438, March 1, 1948.



174 1853'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. A magnificent frosty and satiny gem. We cannot imagine this coin having its equal. This must be the "Finest Known." Ex Memorable Collection, lot 459, March 1, 1948.



Lot No. 175

175 **1858'D' Brilliant Uncirculated,** full mint lustre. A lovely example with a pale orange tint. The surfaces exceptionally nice. Only six appearances in Mint State in decades.

Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1400, October 4, 1947.

## VERY RARE

#### 1862 PROOF HALF EAGLE



176 **1862 Brilliant Proof.** 35 specimens struck. A lovely example in deep yellow gold with a delicate coppery tint. The most recent appearance of a Proof was at our Garrett Sale in 1976.

Ex Davis-Graves Collection, lot 874, April 9, 1954.

## CORONET TYPE. MOTTO

#### 1866 - 1908



177 **1871 About Uncirculated** and a very sharp strike. The surfaces and rims are excellent. Delicate toning and slightly prooflike. Rare as only 3,200 were coined.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.

178 **1871'CC'** Strictly Very Fine, nearly Extremely Fine. Considerable mint lustre. A very scarce coin indeed.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.

179 1871'S' Double punched date. Extremely Fine and choice. Considerable mint lustre, some faded light copper stains. Excellent surfaces and edges. Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.



180 **1872 Brilliant Proof.** 30 specimens struck. Sharply impressed, and two-tone appearance. A few light copper stains on the obverse. Similar to our Garrett specimen.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.



181 **1872'CC'** Extremely Fine and choice. Sharply struck which is unusual for the coin. Lovely pale coppery toning. Only few Carson City Mint coins in this decade appear above the Fine to Very Fine category.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.



182 1872'S' Extremely Fine and very sharp. Mint lustre and subdued coppery toning. Like the Carson City Mint coins of this period, most specimens are seen noticeably worn. Very scarce.

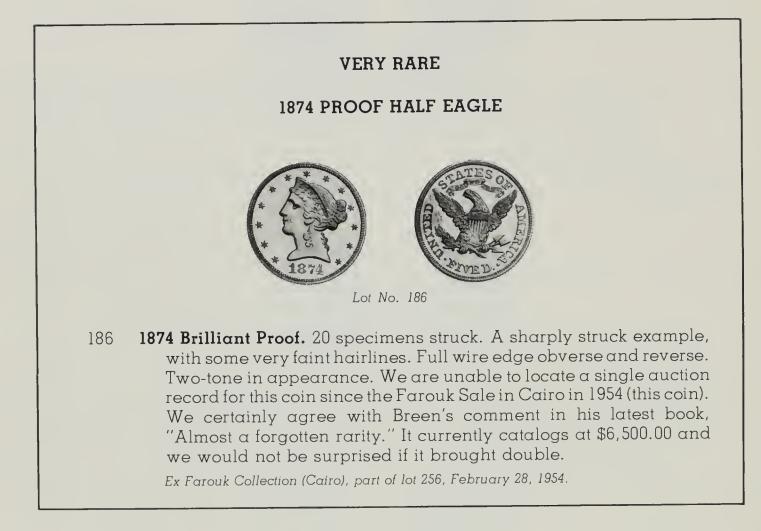
Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.



183 1873 Closed 3. Brilliant Proof. 25 specimens struck. A splendid two-tone Proof with a thick square edge. Light coppery toning on the reverse. The last specimen sold was the coin in our 1976 A.N.A. Sale (\$6,500.00). Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.

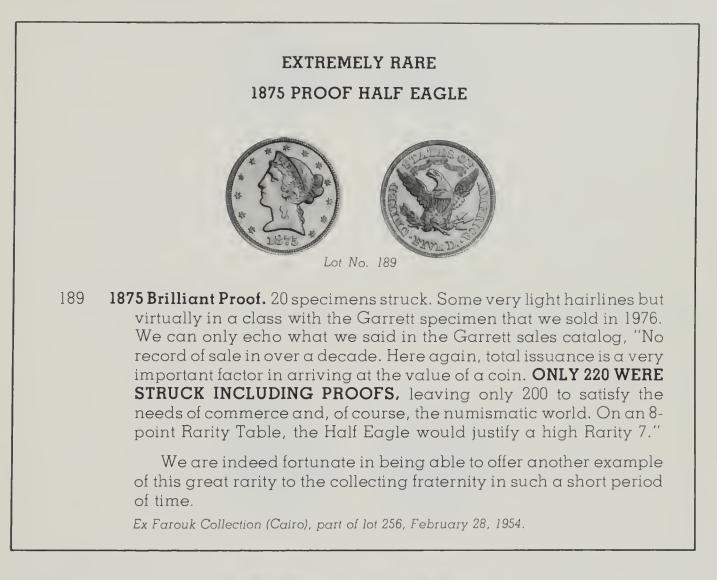


- 184 1873'CC' About Uncirculated, sating lustrous surfaces. An extremely attractive example of this rare coin. The only specimen which certainly equals this is the one sold in our 1976 A.N.A. Sale. We know of none better. Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.
- 185 1873'S' A strong Very Fine just bordering on Extremely Fine. Very scarce. Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.





- 187 1874'CC' A strong Extremely Fine and perhaps even better. Lightly burnished. Quite a rare coin as most seen are heavily worn. Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.
- 188 1874'S' Extremely Fine, delicate coppery toning. Decidedly above average. Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.





190 **1875'CC'** Extremely Fine, lustrous in the devices. The surfaces and edges are quite nice. A popular coin because of the date.

Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.



191 **1875'S'** Extremely Fine and very choice. Considerable mint lustre with delicate orange toning. This specimen is certainly in the Condition Census. *Ex Farouk Collection (Cairo), part of lot 256, February 28, 1954.* 

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- 192 1880 Brilliant Uncirculated, lustrous. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.
- 193 1880'S' **Brilliant Uncirculated** and choice Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.
- 194 1881 **Brilliant Uncirculated.** Frosty and choice. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.
- 195 1882 Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty. Superb. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.
- 196 1882 Brilliant Uncirculated, copper stains. Some light bagmarks.
- 197 1882'S' **Brilliant Uncirculated**, pale pink toning. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.



- 198 1883 Brilliant Proof. 61 specimens struck. A lovely two-tone example with a partial wire edge. It is estimated that of the number struck only 40 were released. Its "frequency of appearance" would bear out this theory. Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 18, 1948.
- 199 1885 Brilliant Uncirculated, sating surface. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.
- 200 1886'S' **Brilliant Uncirculated.** A very choice example in yellow gold. *Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.*
- 201 1891 **Brilliant Uncirculated** and nicely struck. An uncommon date. *Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.*
- 202 1893 Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty lustre. Very attractive. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.
- 203 1893'CC' Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty lustre, pale coppery toning. Last year of the Carson City Mint. Ex Mason Williams Collection, lot 1127, November 7, 1947.

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- 204 1894 Brilliant Proof. 75 specimens struck. Deep yellow gold. Wire edge. A lovely coin with only a few small marks. Ex Frederick W. Geiss Collection, lot 1761, February 18, 1947.
- 205 1894'O' Brilliant Uncirculated, prooflike surface. Some light scratches in the field. The last year of the Liberty Head Half Eagle struck at New Orleans. Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1355, October 4, 1947.



206 1896 Brilliant Proof. 103 specimens struck. A lovely example in deep yellow gold. Two-tone and sharply impressed. Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 18, 1948.



207 **1897 Brilliant Proof.** 83 specimens struck. A lovely example, sharply struck, and really quite scarce. *Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1321, October 4, 1947.* 

LX H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1521, October 4, 1547.

208 1901 **Brilliant Uncirculated** and a borderline gem. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.



209 **1902 Brilliant Proof.** 162 specimens struck. The first year of the "All Brilliant Proofs." This style of Proof for the most part was struck from 1902-1907 (minor coins included). The devices as well as the field are bright, not two-tone. A superb specimen!

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 18, 1948.



210 1903 Brilliant Proof. 154 specimens struck. A superb Proof with coppery toning on the reeding. As choice as one could hope for. Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1327, October 4, 1947.





- 211 1904 Brilliant Proof. 136 specimens struck. Sharply struck in deep yellow gold, almost two-tone in appearance. A choice example. Ex H. R. Lee Collection, lot 1328, October 4, 1947.
- 212 1905 Brilliant Uncirculated and very choice. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.

213 1906 Brilliant Uncirculated. Satiny and superb. Ex Wittlin's, February 13, 1947.



- 214 **1907 Brilliant Proof.** 92 specimens struck. A glittering beauty, virtually two-tone in appearance. The last year of Proof Liberty Head Half Eagles. *Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 24, 1947.*
- 215 1908 The last year of the Liberty Head design. Brilliant Uncirculated and choice.

Ex Mason Williams Collection, lot 1157, November 7, 1947.

## **INDIAN HEAD**

1908 - 1929

216 1910 Brilliant Uncirculated. The barest touch of friction on the high points.

## RARE 1929 HALF EAGLE



217 1929 The last year of issue of the Half Eagle and the rarest date of this design. Brilliant Uncirculated. Full frosty mint bloom, a few scattered bagmarks. A splendid example of this popular and rare coin.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., June 8, 1949.

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1797 - 1804



218 **1799** Large Stars. **Brilliant Uncirculated**, deep yellow gold. A barely noticeable edge cut on the reverse. Excellent surfaces and a beautiful example of an early Eagle.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., July 15, 1948.

## CORONET TYPE. LARGE HEAD. NO MOTTO

## 1839 - 1866



## CORONET TYPE. LARGE HEAD. MOTTO

1866 - 1907



Lot No. 220

- 220 1894 Brilliant Proof. 43 specimens struck. A lovely two-tone example, but a slight rub in the obverse field. Ex Memorable Collection, lot 588, March 2, 1948.
- 221 1894'O' **Brilliant Uncirculated.** A beautiful and frosty borderline gem. Ex Hollinbeck, lot 1486, May 31, 1952.



222 **1900 Brilliant Proof.** 120 specimens struck. A sensational two-tone Proof, sharply struck and choice. An outstanding example of the type. *Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 18, 1948.* 



223 **1907 Brilliant Proof.** 74 specimens struck. The last year of the Liberty Head design. An exquisite example. Deep yellow gold, sharply struck, with a wire edge.

Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 24, 1947.

## INDIAN HEAD. NO MOTTO

## 1907 - 1908

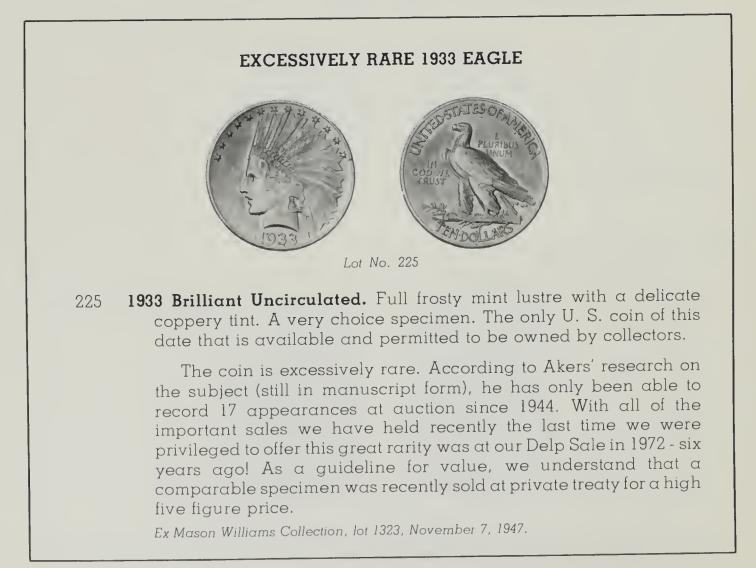


224 **1907 Brilliant Uncirculated** and lustrous. Some light hairlines but very attractive.

Ex James Kelly, lot 761, November 4, 1947.

## INDIAN HEAD. MOTTO

1908 - 1933



## UNITED STATES DOUBLE EAGLES (\$20.00 GOLD)

## LIBERTY HEAD. NO MOTTO. "TWENTY D."

#### 1850 - 1866

226 1850 The first year of issue. Extremely Fine and choice. Mint lustre with some prooflike surface. The head unusually well struck. Ex Stack's George Ragee Collection, lot 266, June 29, 1950.



227 1853 Brilliant Uncirculated. Full blazing mint lustre and a needle-sharp strike. Virtually free from bagmarks. A splendid example of the type.

Ex Numismatic Gallery, lot 540, February 28, 1950.



- Lot No. 228
- 228 **1861 Brilliant Uncirculated.** A beautiful specimen, free from bagmarks. One tiny edge nick near the second star. A borderline gem and one of the most attractive examples of this date we have ever seen. *Ex Stack's, January 19, 1948.*



## LIBERTY HEAD. MOTTO. "TWENTY DOLLARS"

1877 - 1907



Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., May 18, 1948.



- 231 1894 Brilliant Proof. 50 specimens struck. A sharply struck, two-tone Proof in deep yellow gold. The faintest rub in the right obverse field, otherwise a lovely example. A much underrated Proof. *Ex Memorable Collection, lot 714, March 2, 1948.*
- 232 1894'S' Brilliant Uncirculated, frosty.
- 233 1904 Brilliant Uncirculated. Light coppery toning on the cheek.



234 1907 Brilliant Proof. 78 specimens struck. A very attractive coin in deep yellow gold, light toning. The last year of the Liberty Head design and very popular. Formerly in our Mason Williams Collection, 1947. Ex George Ragee Collection, lot 269, June 29, 1950.

## 235 1907 Brilliant Uncirculated.

## ST. GAUDENS. ROMAN NUMERALS. HIGH RELIEF

**1907** 



236 1907 Roman Numerals. Flat edge. Brilliant Uncirculated, satiny surface. A gem specimen and a simply splendid example of this "one year only" type. Clearly, one of the most beautiful coins ever struck by this country. Ex New Netherlands Coin Co., January 19, 1949.

## ST. GAUDENS. LOW RELIEF. NO MOTTO

#### 1907 - 1908

237 1908 No Motto. Brilliant Uncirculated and choice.

## ST. GAUDENS. LOW RELIEF. MOTTO

### 1908 - 1932

- 238 1910 Brilliant Uncirculated.
- 239 1911'D' Brilliant Uncirculated. Sharply struck and choice.
- 240 1922 **Brilliant Uncirculated.** Sharply struck in yellow gold. Mostly seen in coppery gold and softly struck on the date.
- 241 1924 Brilliant Uncirculated, full lustre, delicate toning.
- 242 1927 Brilliant Uncirculated and choice.

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164	4,000.00	186	12,000.00	208	500.00	231	8,500.0
165	5,750.00	187	1,000.00	209	3,250.00	232	460.0
166	4,750.00	188	500.00	210	3,300.00	233	440.0
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