

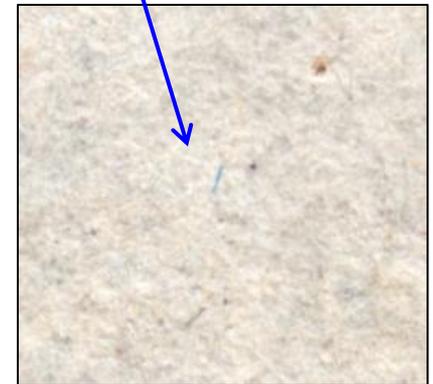
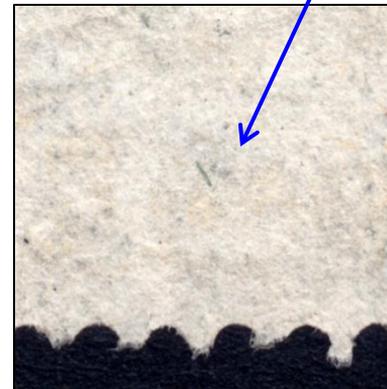
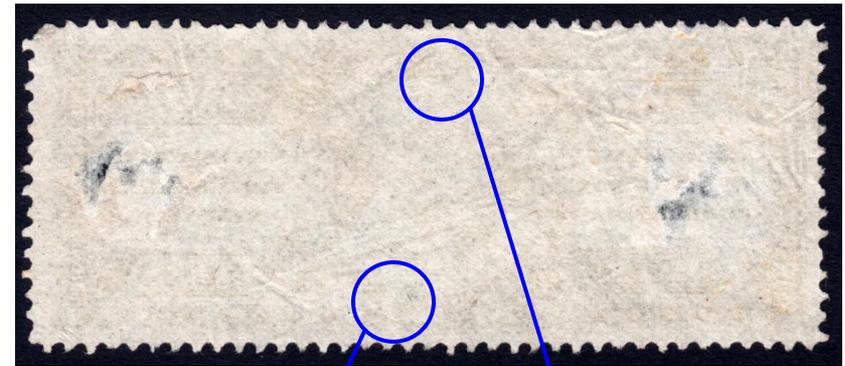
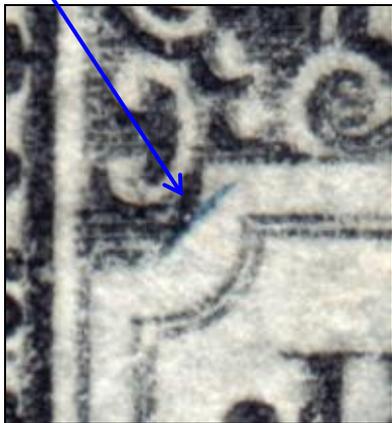
A New Paper Variety Discovery on a U.S. Private Die Proprietary Medicine Revenue Stamp

*A Jeremiah Curtis & Son RS68 on
Experimental Silk Paper (RS68e)*

Brief Printing History of Jeremiah Curtis & Son Private Die Proprietary Stamps

- Jeremiah Curtis & Son first issue RS68 2 Cents stamps had multiple printings:
 - Old paper by Butler & Carpenter
 - Silk, several printings by Carpenter & Co.
 - Silk, several printings by the NBNC (who took over printing contract in late 1875)
 - Pink and Watermarked later on by NBNC or ABNC.
- The RS68 in question appears to be:
 - On more thicker than old paper
 - Printed image appears bolder than on old paper
 - Whiter and more fibrous than old paper
 - A number of short, thin blue fibers can be seen on the obverse and reverse, embedded in paper.

RS68'e' 2¢ Black on Experimental Silk Paper - the Discovery Copy!



There are short, thin embedded blue silk fibers on the obverse and reverse.

It is an Exper. Silk!

- ❖ PF Certificate 574782
- ❖ Issued April 6, 2021
- ❖ Description:
 - Unused, Experimental Silk Paper
 - It is genuine with thins and creases
- ❖ The PF will reissue the certificate as “RS68VAR”, not “RS68b” as Scott does not list an RS68e variety
- ❖ Currently in discussions with Scott Catalog Editor to have RS68e added to the 2022 Edition.

		The Philatelic Foundation		No. 574782
		22 East 35th Street • 4th Floor New York, NY 10016 EXPERT COMMITTEE		04/06/2021
We have examined the enclosed item, of which a photograph is attached, and <i>described by the applicant</i> as follows:				
Country: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>				
Cat. No.	Issue	Denom.	Color	
RS68b	1862	2¢	Black on exp. silk	
<small>Scott's unless otherwise specified.</small> UNUSED, EXPERIMENTAL SILK PAPER. AND WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT: IT IS GENUINE WITH THINS AND CREASES. *****				
				
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			For The Expert Committee  Chairman	
Photocopies of this Certificate are not valid.				
Submitted by		DR. CHARLES J. DICOMO		