#### **GUATEMALA: 1886 'RAILWAY BOND' ISSUE**

#### INTRODUCTION

#### Parent Stamp - One Peso fiscal label

In 1883 President Barrios devised a method of financing a railway between Guatemala City and the Coast with a bond issue whereby starting in 1884 a specific One Peso fiscal label could be bought every three months for 10 years and affixed to a coupon sheet. The intention was that upon the presentation of a fully paid-up coupon sheet a 40 Peso interest bearing bond would be issued to the bearer. However, in April 1885 Barrios was killed in a revolution and both the railway project as well as the bond issue lapsed, leaving large quantities of surplus One Peso fiscal labels. The One Peso labels were printed by the American Bank Note Company New York in sheets of 100 units arranged in 10 rows of 10, with company imprints appearing in the centre of each of the four margins.

#### Genesis of the 'Railway Bond' postage stamps issue

In 1886 a Guatemalan resident British engineer, Charles Parker, presumably acting in concert with the New York stamp dealer H.L.Cadman, stuck a deal with the Guatemalan Government to overprint the surplus One Peso labels with various values greater than 20 Centavos, the highest value postage stamp then available. These new stamps would be on sale for a limited period after which time Parker would be given all current stamp remainders, including all remaining 1881 Provisional and the 'Small Quetzal' issues. In exchange Parker would pay for a completely new set of stamps, the 'Large Quetzal' Issue.

#### 'Railway Bond' Issue Postage Stamps

The five values selected for overprinting were 25, 50, 75, 100 and 150 Centavos. The first three values were overprinted in a setting of 50 units of 10 rows of 5 units on sheets split in half. The 25 Centavos overprint was performed first, with the value being replaced with 50 Centavos and then 75 Centavos. The 100 and 150 Centavos values were overprinted in their own settings of 25 units, each of 5 rows of 5 units on sheets split into quarters. The 'type set' overprinting was probably undertaken by Tipographia Nacional, the Government printing works. The type used for the numeral, inscriptions and ornamental pieces vary in the settings, as well as there being several transitional changes which facilitate plating of the units. Moreover in the 100 Centavos setting, 'Guatemala' in the bottom row is of an entirely different type to that used with the rest of the setting.

The number of stamps printed was 300,000 each of the 25 and 50 Centavos values, 250,000 of the 75 Centavos, 150,000 of the 100 Centavos (30,000 of which are inscribed with a large Guatemala) and 100,000 of the 150 Centavos values. The stamps are thought to have been issued on 6 March 1886 and withdrawn on 1 July 1886.

#### SCOPE OF DISPLAY

The display encompasses;

- The parent die proof, plate proof, unused label, and used coupon of the Railway Bond fiscal labels;
- Complete panes of all values of the overprinted 'Railway Bond' issued postage stamps, including misprinted panes of the 150 Centavos value;
- Progressive varieties of values, including some in panes;
- Examples of all known inverted, misplaced, and double overprints types;
- Individual remnants stuck down on paper and overprinted 150 Centavos;
- Forgeries; and,
- Usage on and off cover, types of cancelled-to-order copies, and 'specimen' overprinted stamps.

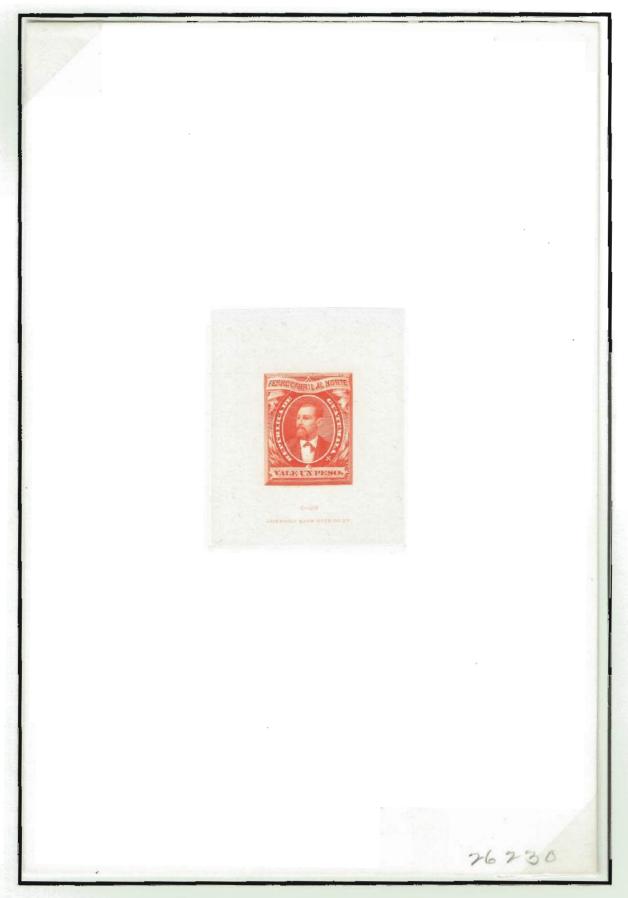
Reference: Ronald A. Goodman, Guatemala 1 & 2, Robson Lowe Ltd, 1969 & 1974 respectively.



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Brown Referenced Die Proof of the One Peso Railway Bond Fiscal Label (Large Format Mounting)



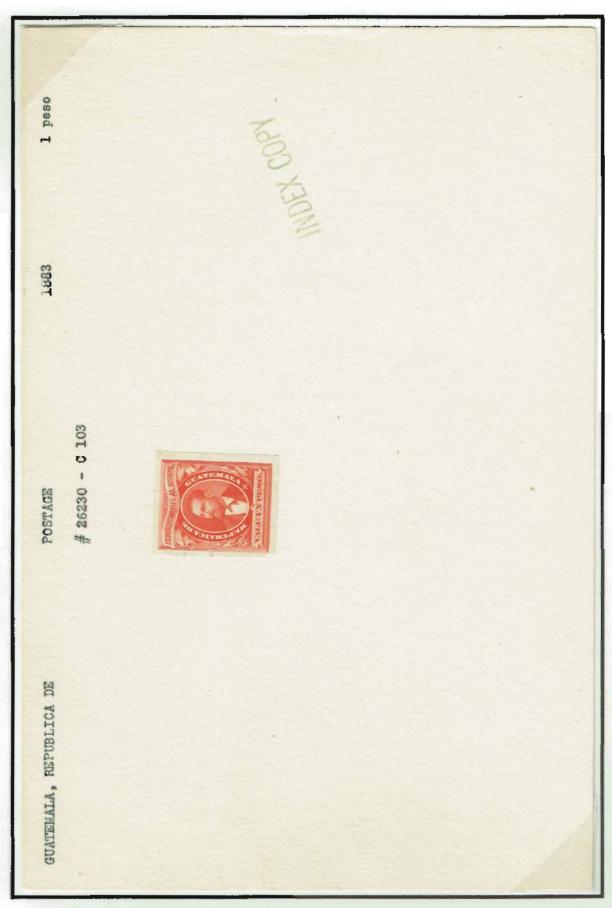
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Die Proof of the One Peso Railway Bond Fiscal Label in Issued Colour (Small Format Mounting)



Referenced Black Die Proof of the One Peso Railway Bond Fiscal Label Annotated with New Reference Number



American Bank Note Co. of New York Index Copy of the One Peso Railway Bond Fiscal Label.
(Unique item ex printer's archives.)



Plate Proof on Heavy Card



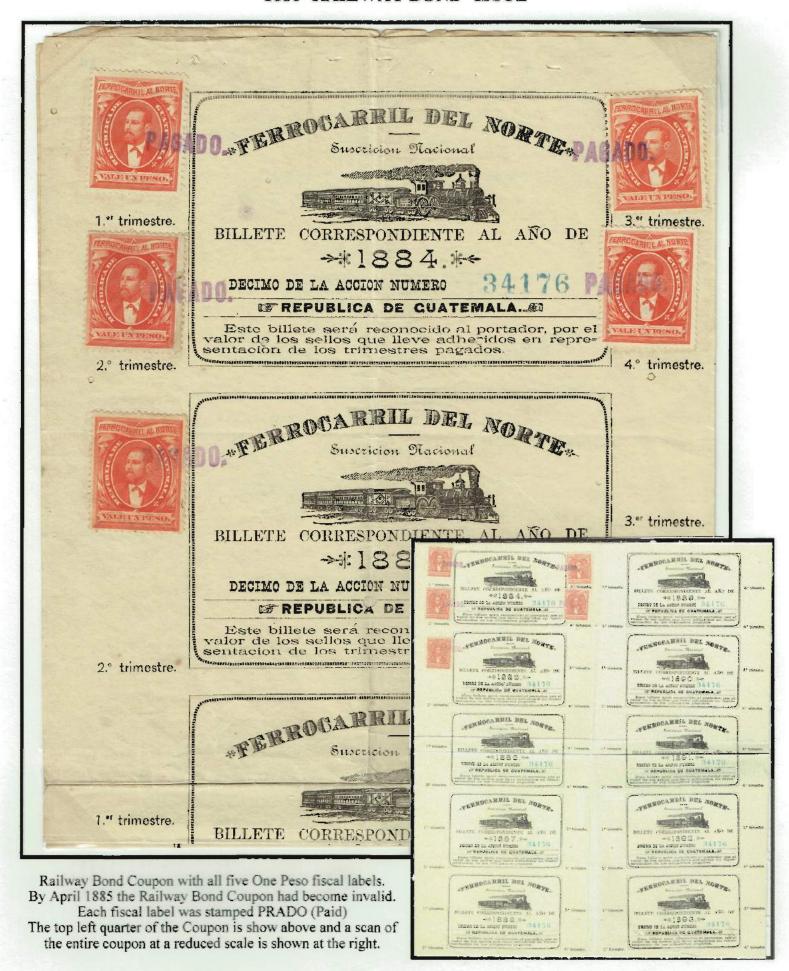
Plate Proof on Thin 'India' Paper



Plate Proof on Ordinary Paper



Unused Labels







Enlarged photograph of essay

Essay of the 25 centavos overprinted stamp, showing layout of the inscribed values but not the chains and wheel.

This is the only known surviving example of an essay of any of the five overprinted stamps.

A picture of this essay was illustrated on the front cover of *El Quetzel* July 1990

#### **SPECIMEN COPIES**

#### Overprinted 'GUATEMALA' in a Circle to denote 'specimen' copy Overprinted in either black or violet



25 Centavos black overprint



50 Centavos black overprint



75 Centavos violet overprint



100 Centavos Small Guatemala black overprint



100 Centavos Large Guatemala black overprint



100 Centavos Large Guatemala violet overprint



150 Centavos black overprint



150 Centavos violet overprint

25 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Very Early Printing



Significant Varieties

Position	Variety
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
15	'centanos'
16	'255 centavos' instead of '25 centavos'
24	'c' of 'centavos' missing

The '225' anomaly was very soon corrected—few copies the variety have been reported.

#### 25 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Early Printing



Position	Variety	
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'	
15	'centanos'	
24	'c' of 'centavos' missing	

# 25 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Intermediate Printing

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21	Corres Nacionales Corres Nacio	25

Position	Variety		
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'		
15	'centanos'		
24	'c' of 'centavos' replaced		

## 25 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Late Printing

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# Significant Varieties

Position	Variety
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
15	'centanos'
24	'centavos' - 'c' replaced & 'e' double impression

The top half of a complete setting of 50 units shown: the bottom portion is folded over.

25 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Early Printing



	Position	Variety
	28	Comma after lower right 25c
	30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
	40	't' of centavos and '2' of lower right '25c.' normal

# 25 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 -Intermediate Printing

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Significant Varieties

Position	Variety
28	Comma after lower right 25c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
40	Faint 't' of centavos and '2' of lower right '25c.'
46	Hollowed 'a' of centavos

25 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Late Printing

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46	Guatemala.	50
	Significant Varieties	

Position	Variety
28	Comma after lower right 25c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
40	Faint 't' of centavos and '2' of lower right '25c.'
46	Faint 'a' of centavos

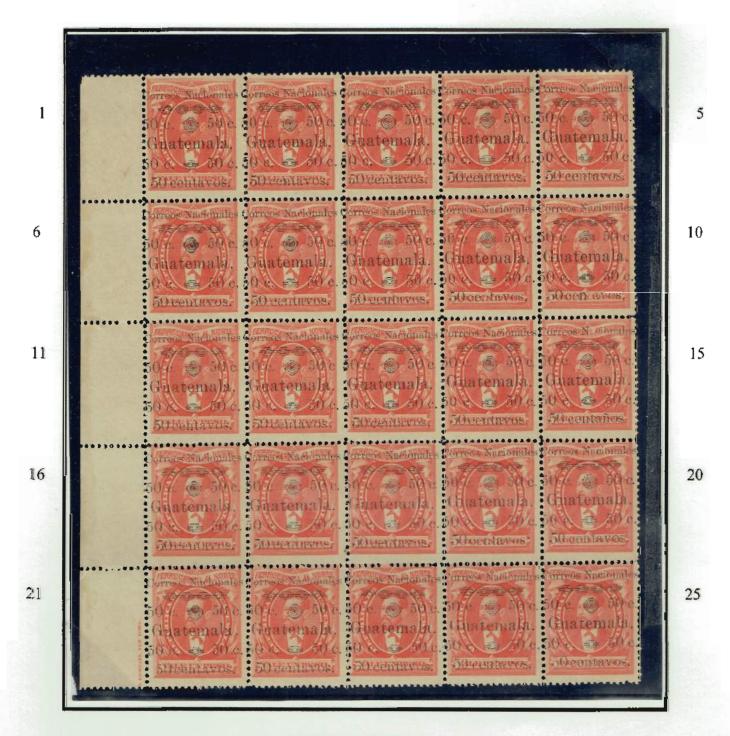
The bottom half of a complete setting of 50 units shown: the top portion is folded over.

50 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 -Early Stage

1	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	5
6	Corres Nacionale Corres	10
11	Corres Nacionale Corres Nacionales Corres Nacion	15
16	Corres Nacionale Corres Nacionale Corres Nacionales Corres Naciona	20
21	Corress Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales Nacionales N	25

Position	Variety
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
9	Rectangular stop after 'Guatemala' below last 'a'
15	"centanos"

#### 50 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Intermediate Stage



Position	Variety
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
9	Rectangular stop after 'Guatemala' below last 'a'
10	Missing 't' in 'centavos' (soon corrected)
15	'centanos'

# 50 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Late Stage

1	Corrcos Nacionales Correos Nacio	5
6	correos Nacionales correos co	10
11	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	15
16	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	20
21	Corress Nacionales Corress Nacio	25

Position	Variety
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
9	Rectangular stop after 'Guatemala' level with bottom of last 'a'
10	Missing 't' in 'centavos' replaced
15	'centanos'

50 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Early Stage

26	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	30
31	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	35
36	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	40
41	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	45
46	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	50

## Significant Varieties

Position	Variety
28	'Carreos' & Comma after lower right 50c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
40	Missing 't' of centavos

The bottom half of a complete setting of 50 units shown: the top portion is folded under.

50 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Later Early Stage

26	Jordon Nuclember Corres Nacionales Corres Nacion	30
31	Torres Sasionares  Original Successionales  Or	35
36	Corress Nacionales Corress Nacio	40
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Position	Variety
28	'Carreos' & Comma after lower right 50c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
40	Missing 't'& 'a' of centavos

50 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50

26	Corress Nacionale Corress Nacionales Corress Nacion	30
31	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	35
36	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	40
41	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	45
46	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	50

Position	Variety
28	'Carreos' & Comma after lower right 50c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
40	't'& 'a' of centavos replaced

50 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Late Stage

26	Corress Nacionales Carros Nacionales Carros Nacionales Corress Naciona	30
31	Corress Nacionale Corress Nacionales Corress Nacion	35
36	Correct Nacionale Correct Naci	40
41	Correos Nacionale Correos Naci	45
46	Correos Nacionale Correos Naci	50

Position	Variety
27	'Space between 'o' & 's' of centavos
28	'Carreos' & Comma after lower right 50c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
40	't'& 'a' of centavos replaced

#### 75 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25

1	Correos Nacionales orreos Nacionales Correos Nacion	5
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16	Corres Nacionales Corres Nacio	20
21	Curren Victories orres Victories orres Nacionales Orres N	25

Position	Variety	
4	Inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'	
15	'centanos'	

75 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Early Printing

26	Corros Nacionales orrecs Nacionales Caracos Naciona	30
31	Cursos Nacionales Corres Nacio	35
36	Correct Nationales Correct Natio	40
41	Corress Nacionales Corress Nacio	45
46	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	50
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Position	Variety
28	'Carreos' & Comma after lower right 50c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
31	'50' for '75' at upper right value
45	Central wheel clean

75 Centavos - Positions 26 to 50 - Late Printing

26	Torreos Macionales Correos Nacionales Carreos Nacionales Correos Nacio	30
31	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	35
36	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	40
41	Correct Nacionales Correct Nacio	45
46	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	50

## Significant Varieties

Position	Variety
28	'Carreos' & Comma after lower right 50c
30	'centovos' & inverted 's' of 'Nacionales'
31	'50' for '75' at upper right value
45	Central wheel black center

The bottom half of a complete setting of 50 units shown: the top portion is folded over.

## 100 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25

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Position	Variety
16	'110' & 'a00' in upper and lower left values respectively instead of '100'.
20 to 25	'Guatemala' in bold larger type.

#### 150 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Early State

1	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	5
6	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	10
11	Correce Nacionales Correce Nacio	15
16	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	20
21	Correos Nacionales Correos Nacio	25

## Significant Varieties

Position	Variety		
2	Inverted 'G' of Guatemala		
6	'Guetemala' & '5' of '150 c' in italic font		
21	Lower ornament inverted		

The central 'Shell Ornament' on Position 25 is slightly darkened, and the right 'Flower Ornament' in Position 18 is normal.

#### 150 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Intermediate State

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#### Significant Varieties

Position	Variety		
2	Inverted 'G' of Guatemala		
6	'Guetemala' & '5' of '150 c' in italic font		
21	Lower ornament inverted		

The central 'Shell Ornament' on Position 25 is darkened, and the right 'Flower Ornament' in Position 18 is darkened with ink accumulation.

## 150 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Late State with Upward Misplaced Overprint

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## Significant Varieties

Position	Variety
2	Inverted 'G' of Guatemala corrected
6	'Guetemala' & '5' of '150 c' in italic font
21	Lower ornament inverted

The central 'Shell Ornament' on Position 25, and the right 'Flower Ornament' in Position 18 are cleaned.

## 150 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Late State with Overprint Misplaced to Right

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## Significant Varieties

Position	Variety		
2	Inverted 'G' of Guatemala corrected		
6	'Guetemala' & '5' of '150 c' in italic font		
21	Lower ornament inverted		

The central 'Shell Ornament' on Position 25, and the right 'Flower Ornament' in Position 18 are cleaned.

## 150 Centavos - Positions 1 to 25 - Late State with Sideways and Skewed Misplaced Overprint

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#### Significant Varieties

Position	Variety	
2	Inverted 'G' of Guatemala corrected	
6	'Guetemala' & '5" of '150 c' in italic font	
21	Lower ornament inverted	

The central 'Shell Ornament' on Position 25, and the right 'Flower Ornament' in Position 18 are cleaned.

# 150 Centavos - Positions 1 to 2 & 6 to7 - Last State Corrections of Overprint

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#### Significant Varieties

Position	Variety		
2	Inverted 'G' of Guatemala corrected		
6	'e' of 'Guetemala' replaced to provide correct spelling and & '5' of '150 c' in italic font replaced in normal font		

Very few copies known

#### 150 Centavos - Overprinting of Loose Fiscal Labels

Loose 1 Peso Fiscal Labels were stuck down on a sheet of paper and overprinted to become postage stamps. As far as can be determined this operation was only carried out using the 150 centavos overprinting plate. No other partial pane of such overprints is known to have survived, and it is not reported in *Goodman*.



The item is identified as coming from an intermediate use of the 150 centavos overprint as the central 'Shell Ornament' on Position 25 is darkened, and the right 'Flower Ornament' in Position 18 is darkened with ink accumulation.



Loose item from Position 6 - 'Guetemala' variety with the overprinted selvage of the fiscal label attached at the right.

#### Miscellaneous Varieties on 150 Centavos









Various stamps where part of the individual stamps have been bent over when overprinted as individual loose items attached to a plain sheet.

Such stamps are found ungummed with part of the overprint missing.

#### Printing Offsets on Backs of Stamps

Illustrated on 150 centavos stamps



Positions 1 to 10: Back of stamps showing co-incidental offset



Illustration of front of stamps at reduced scale.

### **Transitional Varieties**

#### 25 Centavos



Pos.11



Left - Normal: Right - Missing letters in 'Correos Nacionale (late ptg.)

Pos.46



Thin 't' of 'centavos'



Very faint 't' & lower right '2'



Pos.40

Missing 't' & faint lower right '2'



'centavos' normal



'a' of 'centavos' faint

Pos.1

Later corrected
Pos.27



Very faint 'a'



'255' in value

Pos.35

Pos.27



corrected to '25'

## 50 Centavos

Pos.27



'C' of 'Correos' raised



'Co' of 'Correos' raised



'Guatemala' normal



'm' of 'Guatemala' missing



'centavos' normal



'vos' of 'centavos' shifted to right

Pos.40



'v' of 'centavos' shifted back leaving spaced 'os'

Pos.40



'vo' of 'centavos' shifted back leaving spaced 's'



't' of 'centavos' missing



'ta' of 'centavos' missing



'centavos' corrected (late ptg.)

### Transitional Varieties

## 75 Centavos Pos.5



'ales' in 'Nacionales inverted Early printing and soon corrected

Pos.6



'Nacionales' corrected

### 150 Centavos

Pos.6



'Gueternala' instead of 'Guatemala' & small '150's in italic script





Pos.6



Very Late Printing: 'Guetemala' & small '150's in italic script corrected. 'Co' of 'Correos' shifted upwards in last printings

## Missing Print - Poor Overprint Registration

### 100 Centavos



### 150 Centavos



Extremely faint









## **Inverted Overprint**

Inverted Overprints occurred on the 50, 100 and 150 Centavos values only

#### 50 Centavos



Position 4



Position 44



Positions 19, 20 24 & 25



Positions 11 & 12

#### 100 Centavos



Positions 1 to 3 & 6 to 9



Position 6



Position 13 - poor impression



Position 15

## **Inverted Overprint**

150 Centavos



Position 1 - skewed overprint



Positions 4 & 5



Position 16



Positions 9, 10, 14 & 15



Position 2: Inverted 'G' of Guatemala



Position 6: Spelling error 'e' in Guetemala



Position 24



Position 25

#### Printed On Gum Side

100 Centavos



Position 7



Position 25 - Inverted & Misplaced Overprint



Position 21

# 75 Centavos Double Overprint - Second Overprint at 50 Degrees to Horizontal

# Upper Pane - Positions 1 to 25

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# 75 Centavos Double Overprint - Second Overprint at 50 Degrees to Horizontal

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## **Double Overprint**



50 centavos: Faint second overprint displaced to the right





75 centavos: Second overprint at right angles



75 centavos: Second diagonal overprint at 30 degrees Positions 28 'Carreos' variety, 29, & 30 inverted 's'





75 centavos: Second diagonal overprint at 45 degrees



100 centavos: Faint second overprint displaced upwards



150 centavos: Part second diagonal overprint



Double on most of bottom section of overprint, and remainder of double on back of stamp caused by it being folded over when the second strike took place.

## Misplaced Overprints - Vertical Displacement



25 centavos



50 centavos



75 centavos



50 centavos



150 centavos: overprint displaced upwards by one stamp resulting in overprint in top margin.

Major varieties of Pos'n 2 & 6 present.



50 centavos

# Misplaced Overprints - Horizontal Displacement



150 centavos: overprint misplaced by one stamp to the right and left respectively





Correos Nacionales

Guatemala.

150 c. **25**/150 c 150 Ctayos.

150 centavos: overprint misplaced by one stamp to the right and left respectively, resulting in the overprint running into the margin.

## PHILATELIC CANCELLED-TO-ORDER





CORREOS GUATEMALA - CTD 36 Most cto copies bear this marking dated 24 OCT 1886



CDT 14: Guatemala City



Rectangle 'Correos Guatemala'



Undated RECIBIDA



CDT 19



CG 6: Only found on Railway Bond Issue

### POSTAL USAGE



1896 (30 May) registered cover from Guatemala City ('Lemon Shaped' registration cancellation) to Leipzig, Germany franked at 25 Centavos paying the 10 centavos single rate plus 15 centavos registration fee. Goodman states 'only five covers with these provisionals properly used have been proved to exist'.

### POSTALLY CANCELLED STAMPS

Goodman indicates that only about 1 in 1000 cancelled 'Railway Bond' stamps bear genuine cancellations, The cancelled stamps shown below are classified per Goodman, not all of which can be tied to post offices.



Antigua CDT 38



Quezaltenango CNL 6



Esquintla CLN 14



Guatemala City CN 2



Guatemala City CN 3



Guatemala City CG 19



Guatemala City CW 54



Unidentified CF1



Guatemala City CDT 36



Unidentified CF62



Unidentified CF171

## PHILATELIC USAGE



1891 (February) cover from Guatemala City (Large Numeral 1 cancellation) to New York franked at 70 Centavos with various stamps including a 50 Centavos 'Railway Bond' stamp.



1895 (19 November) registered cover from Guaternala City (Barred Registration cancellation) to Munich Germany franked at 25 Centavos with various stamps plus the five 'Railway Bond' postage stamps.

### **Forgeries**

### With inverted overprints



25 centavos Small bottom '25'& large space between bottom '5' & 'c'



50 centavos Small bottom '50'& large space between bottom '0' & 'c'



100 centavos Wide 'Guatemala' & circles instead of rosette in bottom centre ornament



100 centavos Wide 'Guatemala' & shell instead of rosette in bottom centre ornament



150 centavos Wide 'Guatemala' & Flower instead of square bottom central ornament

### Overprints with large Guatemala and wrong fonts



25 centavos



50 centavos



75 centavos



100 centavos

#### Private invention



2 centavos