

# Large Numeral Postage Due Issues – Earliest Documented Uses

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### POSTAGE DUE ISSUE OF 1879

Low values (1c,2c,3c and 5c) were delivered to post offices prior to July 1, 1879 which is the official date they were to be placed into use.

Note that postage due stamps were applied at destination post office. **Dates listed in italics are best guess dates (estimated).**

#### J1 1c Brown (shades)

EDC: *7/5/79*, Darien, WI, (June 11 1879 use from Lima, Peru to Wisconsin, New York July 3 entry arrived in WI circa July 5), ex Irwin

#### J2 2c Brown (shades)

EDC: *7/17/79*, reported by Ken Lawrence (incoming Navy cover with other postage dues, no further information)

#### J3 3c Brown (shades)

EDC: *7/5/79*, Darien, WI, (June 11 1879 use from Lima, Peru to Wisconsin, New York July 3 entry arrived in WI circa July 5), ex Irwin

\* There is a cover, ex Gough collection, with a 3c used June 20, 1879 which is before the due stamps were to be used, it has a PF cert

\* There is a loose stamp that exists with *7/4/79* cancel (Lewis Kaufman)

#### J4 5c Brown (shades)

EDC: *7/3/79*, Cherry Creek, NY (June 3, 1879 Westra Solberga, Sweden to Cherry Creek, NY, June 21, 1879 New York entry, pair 5c brown applied over manuscript “Advertised July 3” notation), ex Irwin

#### J5 10c Brown (shades) (stamps shipped to post offices September 19, 1879)

EDC: *10/7/79*, New York, NY (September 27 1879 use London, England to New York City, New York October 7 entry), ex Irwin

#### J6 30c Brown (shades) (stamps shipped to post offices September 19, 1879)

EDC: *1129/80*, East Boston, MA (Oct 22, 1880 use St Helena to East Boston), illustrated Arfken, page 139

#### J7 50c Brown (shades) (stamps shipped to post offices September 19, 1879)

EDC: *3/5/99*, Ithaca, NY (bulk accounting envelope with printed Roger Williams, Ithaca address, three envelopes bearing 50c postmarked same day), two are ex Irwin, one ex Gough

### POSTAGE DUE ISSUE OF 1879 (December 1883 Red Brown Shades)

Note that postage due stamps were applied at destination post office. **Dates listed in italics are best guess dates (estimated).**

#### J15 1c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 12/9/83, New York, NY (Dec 8, 1885 cover from Washington, DC to New York City, Dec 9 arrival), mixed 1c and 2c red browns with 5c brown dues, ex Irwin

**J16** 2c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 12/4/83, New York, NY (Dec 3 1883 use received in New York with Dec 4, 1883 backstamp), Lewis Kaufman owns

**J17** 3c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 6/13/87, Boston, MA (London to Boston, MA with June 13 1887 Boston entry postmark), ex Irwin

**J18** 5c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 8/2/87, Piqua, OH (July 30, 1887 Honolulu, Hawaii to Piqua, Ohio), ex Irwin

**J19** 10c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 5/9/85, New York, NY (Honda, Colombia via Bogata Consulate to New York City, New York May 9, 1885 entry), ex Irwin

**J20** 30c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 11/7/87, San Francisco, CA (Nov 4, 1887 use New York to San Francisco, three wrappers used same day, two with "Due 98" and one with "Due \$1,00" handstamp, arrival date in San Francisco estimated), two are ex Irwin

**J21** 50c Red Brown (shades)

EDC: 1/2/1913, New York, NY (January 23, 1913 parcel fragment from Reynoldsville, PA to New York City, only reported use of 50c red brown), ex Irwin

## **POSTAGE DUE ISSUE OF 1879 (1891 Claret Shades that Fluoresce under UV)**

Note that listings are all confirmed as being fluorescent clarets.

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**J22** 1c Claret (shades)

EDC: 6/9/91, New York, NY (May 28, 1891 from Mount Upton, NY to New York City, New York Advertised June 9), ex Irwin

**J23** 2c Claret (shades)

EDC: *10/6/91*, Roxbury, MA (September 24, 1891 Amsterdam to Roxbury, MA, Oct 5, 1891 New York entry), ex Irwin

**J24** 3c Claret (shades)

EDC: 3/9/92, New York, NY (February 24, 1892 card used from Waidhofen, Austria to New York March 9 entry), ex Irwin

**J25** 5c Claret (shades)

EDC: *7/31/91*, Detroit, MI, (June 1891 use from Nuernberg, Bavaria to Detroit, New York July 29 entry), ex Irwin

**J26** 10c Claret (shades)

EDC: 9/12/91 (reported by Lewis Kaufman, no further information)

**J27**      30c Claret (shades)

EDC: 1/29/95, Boston, MA (a bulk accounting use at Boston, MA, only reported on cover use of 30c claret), ex Irwin

**J28**      50c Claret (shades)

EDC: 3/8/1902, San Francisco, CA (October 1902 use from Quito, Ecuador to San Francisco), ex Irwin