

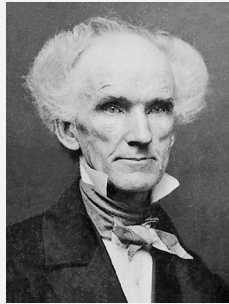


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4th Chief Engravers

James B Longacre

- Indian Head cent
- 2 cent piece, 3 cent silver & nickel
- Shield nickel
- Liberty Head Gold dollar
- Indian Princess \$1 & \$3 Gold piece



1844 - 1869

Hello fellow numismatists! As you know, I have been very busy lately so I was unable to release the past several week's issue of the Loupe.

To insure that doesn't happen again, the Loupe is now a bi-weekly newsletter, with new issues being released on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

In order to extend the Loupe, we are both adding several new segments and are now accepting article submissions from you! If you would like to submit an article for the Loupe, just reply to this email and we will get back to you shortly.

If you want to learn about all the upcoming updates that we will be adding to Numismastery, see page #2.

Thank you all for reading, and enjoy!

- Timothy

Flowing Hair Large Cent

The Flowing Hair Large cent is a highly coveted and scarce type coin, having been the first coin struck by the US mint in 1793.

Two different varieties were struck in 1793, both sculpted by Henry Voigt. The first variety is known as the Chain Reverse, because on the reverse 15 chains encircle "ONE CENT". Also inside the

chains is the fraction 1/100, to numerically indicate the denomination. This technique can be seen on most older US coins from the early 1800s.

The second variety is called the Wreath Reverse, because the same year the cent began production they replaced the chains with a wreath. Several other adjustments was also made, including the



Bust and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA".

The chain reverse had a mintage of merely 36,103, while the wreath reverse had nearly twice as much at 63,353. Thus, the chain reverse is the more desired and scarce of the two.

Late in 1793, the cent saw yet another design change, this time to an entirely different type. The new design is called the Liberty Cap, and was used until 1796.

Flowing Hair cents are seldom found in AU or higher grades, and rarely found problem free. But because of the scarcity of both varieties, it isn't unusual for type set collectors to skip over this one.

US Type Coins

Fact file

1793 Cent
26 mm 13.48 g
(Wreath Reverse)

G	F	VF	XF
2100	4800	7200	12000



▲ The original Flowing Hair large cent, the chain reverse, featured a circle of chains consisting of 15 links.



Numismatic Notes

I struggled finding a good topic to fill in this issue's numismatic news, so instead I will show you some of the candidates for the new lasting quarter design.

The theme for the new quarter design was "Washington crossing

The Delaware." If you remember, this scene has already been depicted on a circulating US coin. And that is, the New Jersey state quarter in 1999.

Which design do you like best?



Numismastery: Updates

<https://numismastery.weebly.com>

Numismastery is an online resource for beginner, intermediate, and even experienced collectors. The site offers dozens of articles in order that you may expand your knowledge on numismatics.

As of right now, we don't have a ton of info up on the site, but on March 10, Numismastery will have a massive update, so stay tuned.

On top of that, an unexpected partnership is brewing, so be on the lookout for the exciting news.

New 2021 Morgan and Peace Dollars

Well, before leaving office, President Trump signed off on the Mint's new designs for the 2021 Morgan and Peace Dollars. They will feature the same designs as the original coins issued in 1921, and the coins minted at the Philadelphia Mint will feature a privy mark commemorating the Carson City Mint in lieu of a mint mark. They are planning on releasing both proof and business strikes of each, and I am sure they will announce special finishes as well. They are going to make these coins with the same composition as their 1921 predecessors at 90% silver. I am hoping they won't mess this up, and that they will mint a good number of them (at least 2 million) so they do not sell out in the first day. Hopefully, they will not charge astronomical prices that are thoroughly through the roof. This is a very historic occasion, and I hope you have some money set aside!

Mintmarks (what are they)



Philadelphia
San Francisco
Denver
West Point
OTHERS No Longer Active



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Guess the grade

What grade do you think the NGC gave it? (answer at bottom of page)

Silver Statistics

\$26.96 oz - \$0.49 *

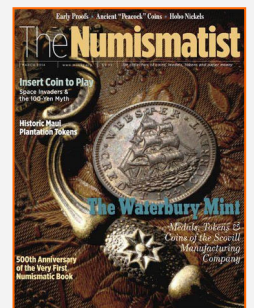
Coin	Melt	Coin	Melt
War nickel	\$1.52	40% Kennedy	\$3.99
Dime	\$1.95	Half dollar	\$9.75
Quarter	\$4.87	Dollar	\$20.85

* since previous issue

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Guess the grade: NGC VG-08