## Chapter 8: Epilogue

Like most USA classic stamps, stamps associated with the 1861 3c were reprinted many times. The reprints create a fitting epilogue to this exhibit. In this section I show:

- The 'Centennial' reprint of 1875
- 1879-94: plate proofs on card produced from for sale to collectors
- The 1881 Atlantic trial color proofs produced for display at the Atlanta Cotton Exposition
- The Panama-Pacific small die proofs of 1914–15

## 1875: First official reprints of US postage stamps



Red brown

On March 27th 1875, the USPO offered reprints of stamps for sale to the public. Some attribute the purpose to the **1876 Centennial celebrations**. 10 000 were ordered, but few were sold. Only 475 of the 1861 3c were sold.

## 1874-79: Official reprints for collectors - imperf on card



First printing, 1879
500 sets, Rose Brown



Third printing, 1899 500 sets. Rose Lake



Fourth printing, 1890 500 sets, Dull Rose



Fifth printing, 1894 500 sets, Rose

## 1881: Atlanta Cotton Exposition special printing



Green



Black



Scarlet



Brown



Blue

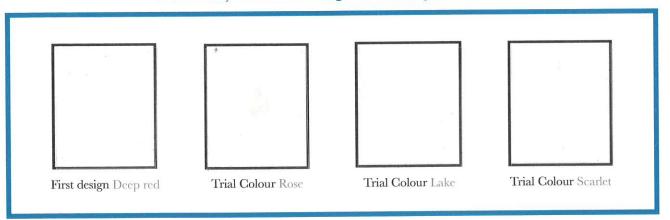
Atlanta hosted the world's first International Cotton Exposition from October 5<sup>th</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 1881. To celebrate the event, the USPO ordered reprints of all stamps in five colors. A sheet of 100 was distributed for sale to the public.

1882: Collectors' reprint complete set with official envelope



1915: Panama Pacific special printing - small die on yellowish white wove

One of only one or two complete sets in private hands.



The first Panama-Pacific International Exposition took place in San Francisco from 20<sup>th</sup> February to 4<sup>th</sup> December, 1915. The U.S. Post Office produced a special 'exposition set' of stamps for the event on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 1914. It was delivered to the Post Office on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 1915. A set was also given to the Smithsonian on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 1915.