



DULOZ ISSUES OF THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE 1865-1877

This exhibit features the stamps of the second issue of the Ottoman Empire, which were in use from January 1865 to March 1884.

The second issue of Ottoman stamps was initially ordered to Paris in 1864 by the Ottoman authorities to compensate the poor quality of the previous issue. The contract was given to the Parisian printer Poitevin. At Poitevin, a Mr. Duloz prepared the first dies, engraved the first plates, and gave his name to these stamps. Still today these stamps are referred to as Duloz stamps. Later issues were printed in Constantinople, first with the original dies, and later with die plates made in Constantinople.

The designs of the postage and postage-due stamps in all these issues are the same, except that the different values are expressed by their respective numerals in the four corners of the stamp and their denomination in Arabic script at the bottom of the overprint. All the stamps bear the arabic overprint of : Postai Devleti Osmaniye (Post of the Ottoman Empire)

This collection studies all the Duloz stamps of the 1865-1877 period, the essays and the proofs, the colored postage stamps and the brown postage due stamps, whether issued or non-issued. It points to the important errors and varieties of each issue and tries to point at some interesting plate flaws and at their usage in postage. They are exposed in the order of their issue and the beginning of each period is indicated by the date in bold characters :

- 1865 Postage Stamps and Postage-Due stamps (Perf.12 1/2);
- 1867 Postage Stamps and Postage-Due stamps (Perf.12 1/2);
- 1868 Postage Stamps and Postage-Due stamps (Perf.13 1/2);
- 1870/72 Postage Stamps and Postage-Due stamps (Perf.5-11);
- 1873 Postage Due transitional stamps (Perf.12-13);
- 1875 Postage Stamps (Perf.13 1/2);
- 1876 Provisional issue of Postage Stamps for U.P.I. countries
(Perf.13 1/2);
- 1876/77 Definitive Postage Stamps for use within the Empire and for
U.P.I. countries (Perf.13 1/2).



1865 ISSUE

Color Essays



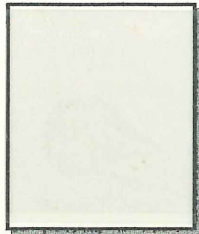


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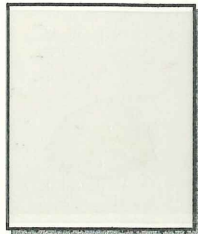
Engraved by Duloz and printed by Poitevin in Paris on white paper, in sheets of 150 , simple perforation of 12 ½, sold in pages of 50 stamps without margins. Typographic overprint in black. First day of issue : 13th of January 1865.



10 paras



20 paras



20 paras
(without rayons)



1 piastre



1 piastre
(without rayons)



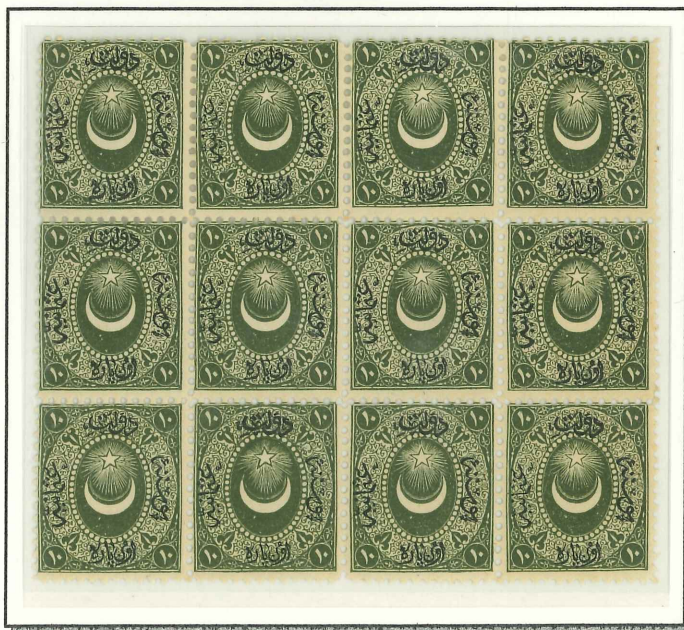
2 piastres



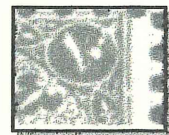
5 piastres



25 piastres



10 paras, block of 12



Setting IV, Stamp 19,
plate flaw : white stroke in
right top circle above dot
of 10

Position of stamps

6	7	8	9
16	17	18	19
26	27	28	29



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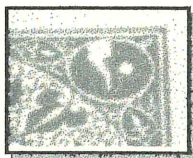


Plate I. Setting I, Stamp No.22
Plate flaw : White spot on top of I

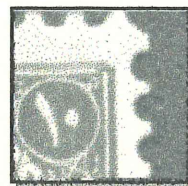
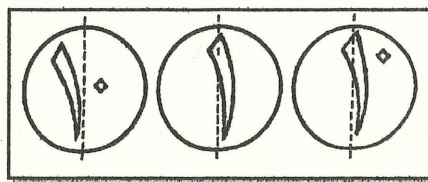


Plate I, Setting I, Stamp No.24
plate flaw : corner slightly rounded



During the process of the production of Setting I of 10 paras, by mistake, a cliché of 1 piaster without overprint got among the clichés of the 10 paras at the 33rd position, and the whole sheet received the overprint of 10 paras.



10 paras in block of 9,

Normal Corrected
with the 33rd position at the centre

After the printing of an unknown number of sheets, the mistake was spotted and the error of the 33rd position was corrected in Setting II. by the addition of a dot, the Turkish equivalent for " O " on the right of the " I " in all four circles.

However, the dot is higher and closer to the " I " than in the normal stamps, while the figure " I " is exactly in the centre of the circle as shown in the drawing above..



Position of the stamps

22	23	24
32	33	34
42	43	44



Plate II, Setting I, stamp 43
plate flaw : white dots below crescent

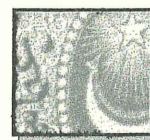


Plate II. Setting I, stamp no 44,
plate flaw: white line across left side of crescent



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Block of four 20 paras of 1865 cancelled Bursa (Brandt III/8) on a folded letter sent from Bursa to Stamboul. Circular arrival cancellation of Stamboul dated march 2nd, 1867 at the back.



Folded letter dated 29th of may, 1865, sent from Beirut to Antiochia (Alexandrette) with stamps of 20 paras, 2 piastres and 5 piastres, cancelled Beirut in blue. (Brandt III/6).



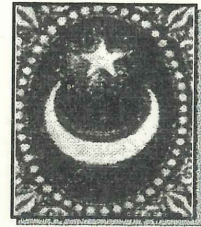
1865 ISSUE



Scratch on top of star



1 piastre lilac



Without Rays



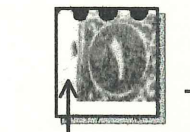
Cover sent from Monastir (Yu) to Stamboul, franked with a stripe of 5 and a single 1 pi grey lilac without rays of 1865 and cancelled Monastir.



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5	6
15	16

Plate II Setting VI



Small dot in margin



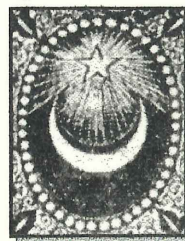
White dot under I
Broken circle



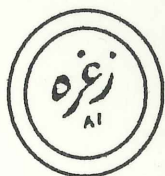
1 piastre



Right frame missing



With Rays



Zagra 81



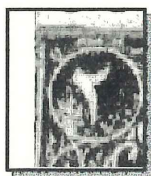
Letter sent from Zagra (Novozagora, Bg.) to Constantinople, franked with a stripe of 3 of 1 piastre grey with rays of 1865, cancelled Zagra



1865 ISSUE



2 piastres, folded during printing



White spot under 2



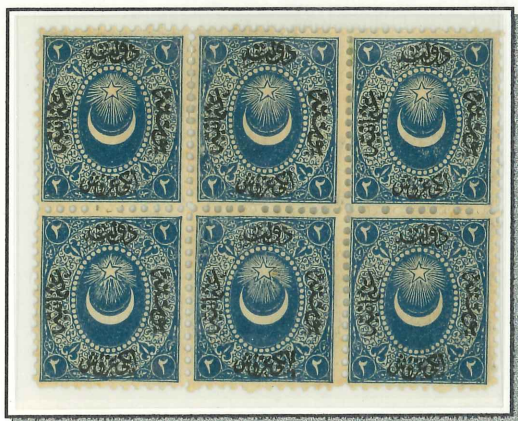
2 piastres

11	12
21	22

Plate II, Setting IV



White spots



Vertical scratch and large plate defect across two stamps

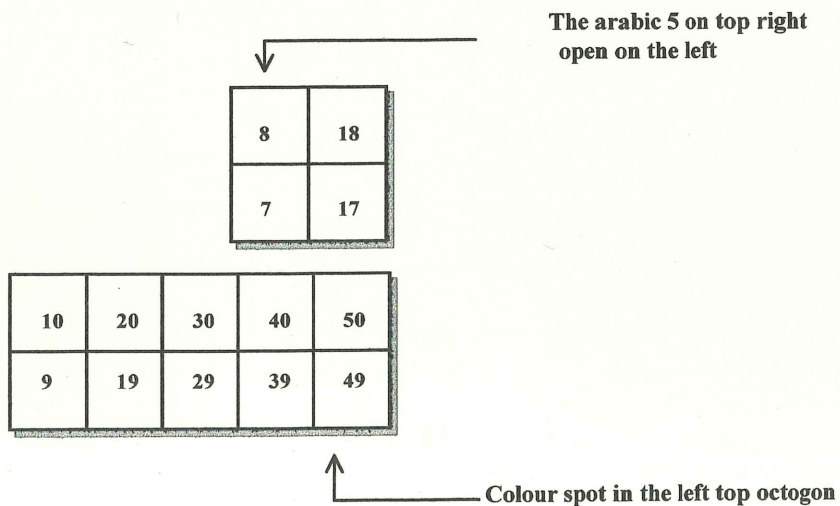


1865 ISSUE



Part cover sent from Filibe (Bg) to Constantinople and addressed to His Excellency the Great Vizir.
Franked with the unusual rate of 90 pi. to honor the receiver.
Cancelled Filibe.

Plate I Setting I





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Vertical scratch across stamp →



5 piastres



Color spot on top right numeral

47	48
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Plate I, Setting I

35	36
45	46

Plate I Setting III



5 piastres



Color spot in star



Registered cover, sent from Nis (Yu) to Deraliye (Stamboul) with a pair of 5 pi and one 2 pi of 1865



1865 ISSUE

ERROR



5 piastres
Inverted Overprint



Folded letter bearing two 20 paras and one 5 piastres with Inverted Overprint
Cancelled Kayseri



1865 ISSUE



Box cancellation Deraliye 81 (Istanbul)



Cover front sent to the Bâb-i Âli (Sublime Porte), with a stamp of 20 paras, one of 1 piastres and three of 25 piastres, cancelled Deraliye .

The excessive taxation of 75 piastres is a way for the sender to show his respect to the receiver.

POSTAGE DUE



1865 ISSUE



**10 para
(not issued)**

Issued probably to present complete series of postage due stamps in show-cards to the Princes of the French dynasty, the Ambassadors in Paris, and other high personages.



25 piastres Essay, without overprint



20 para



1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres



25 piastres



Error : 2 instead of 20

20 para



1 piastre



White spot under
bottom left 2



2 piastres

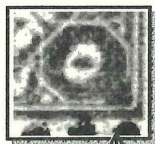
Plate II, Setting IV

38	39
48	49

Large ink spot



5 piastres



	o
o	o
o	

Open hexagone around 5

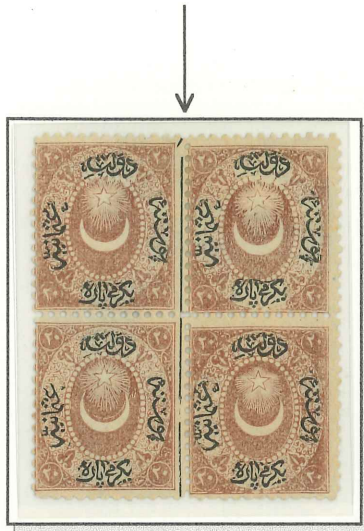


25 piastres



POSTAGE DUE

1865 ISSUE



20 pa with vertical guideline



20 pa with vertical guideline



5 piastres, plié Error



1 piastre, double print at the back



1 piastre, double print at the back

POSTAGE DUE



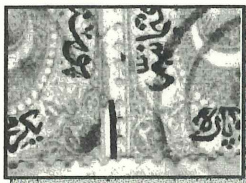
1865 ISSUE



Bosna 81 (with dot)



Folded letter sent from Brood (Yugoslavia) to Bosna (Sarajevo, Yugoslavia), cancelled by round blue ornamental cancellation of Brood. On arrival taxed with a pair of postage due stamps of 20 paras of 1865, cancelled with round Bosna (with dot).



vertical guideline

POSTAGE DUE



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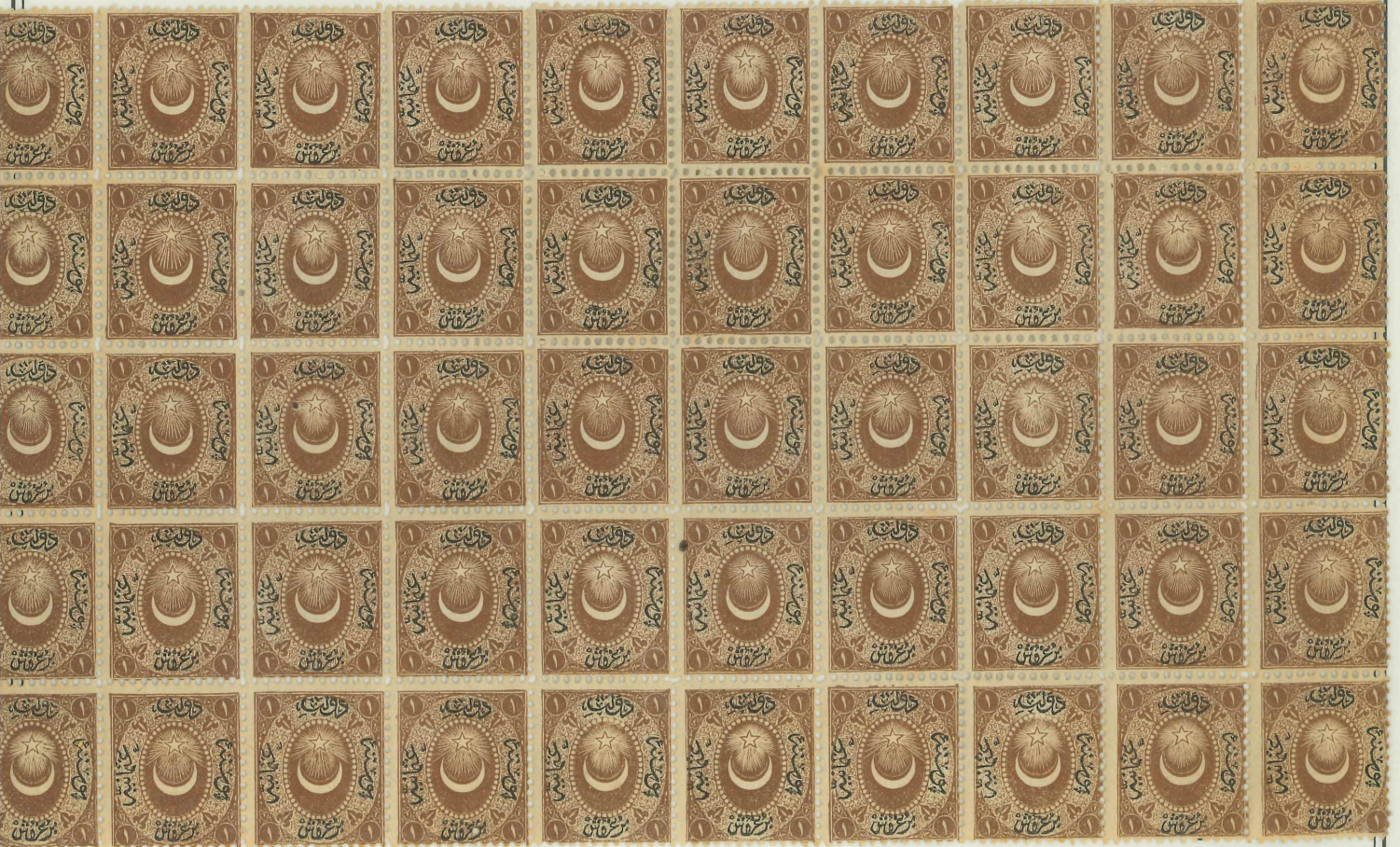
RE-ENTRY ON 1 Pi. OVERPRINT

دولتی
پوستہ
برسٹول

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Regular Overprint

Re-entry



1 Pi., Plate I, Setting III, re-entry on Pos.7



1867 ISSUE

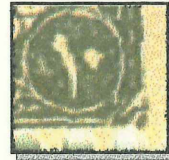
Printed in Paris by Poitevin, in sheets of 150 without margins, simple perforation of 12 1/2 . Typographic overprint in black. Issued in middle 1867

Plate II Setting II

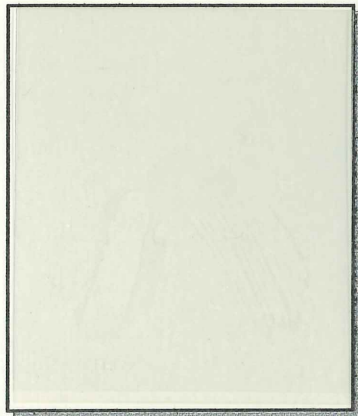
24	25
34	35



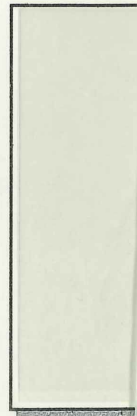
10 paras



Lower right corner damaged



20 paras, with rayons

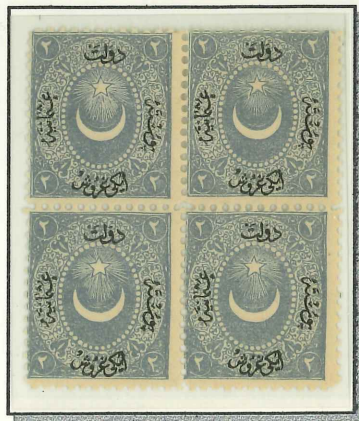


20 para



Plate II, Setting IV

38	39
48	49



2 piastres



1 piastre



White spot left of bottom 2

white spot on the 5 ↓

White spot on the 5 →



5 piastres



1867 ISSUE

ERRORS



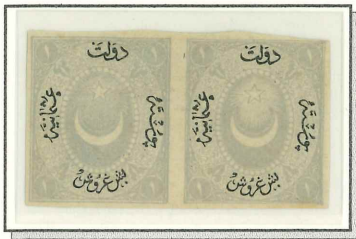
10 pa
white spot above crescent
Plate Flaw VIII / 39



Imperforate pair of 10 paras



1 pi cancelled with Annulé
(probably due to damaged overprint)



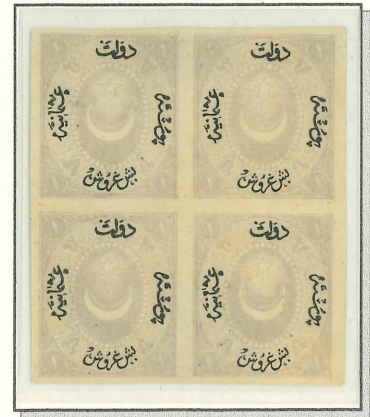
1 pi gray , on thick gummed paper

Overprint of 5 piastres

پنج عروش

instead of 1 piastre

بر عروش



1 pi violet, thin ungummed paper



various shades of 5 pi



long rayons



partial rayons



small rayons



1867 ISSUE

CORRECTED ERROR

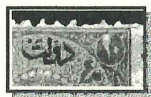


Plate II, Setting II
Pos.22
White spot on top of 1

Plate II, Setting II

22	23	24
32	33	34
42	43	44

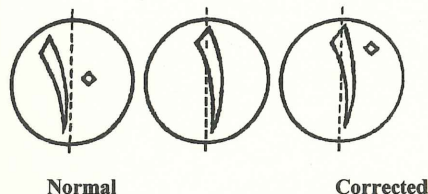


Plate II, Setting II, Pos.44
Stroke across left horn of crescent

Corrected error, 33rd stamp of setting II

By mistake a cliché of the 1 piastre, without overprint, got among the clichés of the 10 paras, and the whole sheet received the overprint of 10 paras. The error was corrected by the addition of a dot, the Turkish equivalent for "0" on the right of the "I" in all four circles. This dot is higher and closer to the "I" than in the normal stamps, while the figure "I" is exactly in the center of the circle. This error is found in emissions of 1865, 1867, 1869, 1871 and 1873 because the same plate was used for all printings.

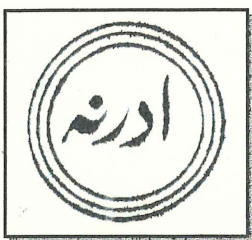


Corrected error , Setting II Position 33
Correction dot visible only in lower left corner of middle stamp



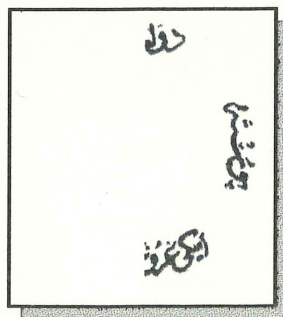
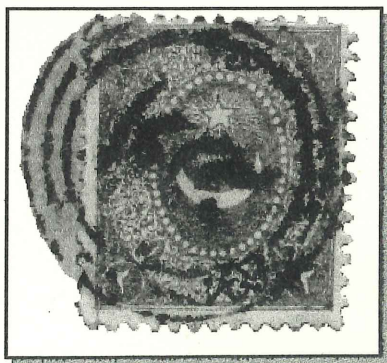
1867 ISSUE

ERRORS



Folded letter sent from Andrinople (Edirne) to Deraliye (Istanbul) in January 1868
franked by a single stamp of 2 pi. of 1867, cancelled Edirne and arrival cancellation of
Stamboul.

Error: half of the overprint missing on the left side of the stamp.





1867 ISSUE



A pair of 2 piastres of 1865 and a strip of 4 stamps of 5 piastres of 1867 on piece,
(24 piastres rate) cancelled by six triple rectangle seal of Deraliye.



Letter sent from Deraliye to Cankiri (Turkiye) bearing a pair of 2 pi. of 1867
cancelled by triple boxed Deraliye

POSTAGE DUE



1867 ISSUE



20 paras



1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres

Of the Postage Due of 1865 issue, only the 20 paras was issued.



25 piastres

Only a very small quantity of the 25 pi was printed and consequently this is the rarest stamp of Turkey. Never seen on cover or even on piece, only 15 stamps are known to exist. Its face value was enormous for that time, and one cannot think of a case where it could have been used as postage due franking.



POSTAGE DUE

1867 ISSUE

Position of Stamps

24	25
34	35

Setting IX



20 paras



1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres



ERRORS



Imperforate 1 piastre with the overprint of "5 piastres".

بئس عروشر instead of بر عروشر



Imperforate block of 20 paras
on thin ungummed paper



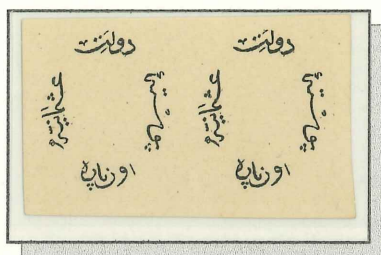
1868 ISSUE

First printing in Constantinople with the clichés engraved by Duloz and which were sent to Turkey in 1868. Printed in sheets of 150 on white paper, simple perforation of 13 ½, but commercialized in sheets of 50 without margins. Overprint lithographed in black.

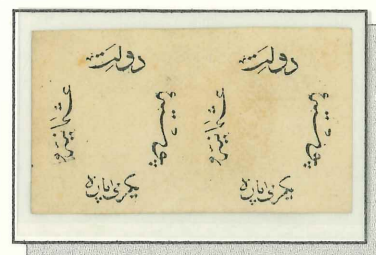
First day of issue : 16/28 October 1868

Modified overprint Type 3.

Overprint Essays on Cardboard



10 paras



20 paras



1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres



1868 ISSUE

IMPERFORATE BLOK ESSAYS
on thin ungummed paper



10 paras



1 piastre



5 piastres



1868 ISSUE



10 paras
Plate II Setting II

Plate IV, Setting VIII

126	127	128	129	
136	137	138	139	140
146	147	148	149	150

Bottom frame of 126-127-128 broken
Top frame of 136-137-138 broken



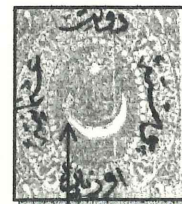
10 paras, block of 15



P.f.139 White spot



P.f.150 : vertical scratch across the stamp



White spots on left horn



1868 ISSUE

ERRORS



**10 paras
inverted overprint
ex.Melon**



**10 paras imperforate pair
"Devleti" missing from the top left stamp
ex.Glavany, ex-Melon**

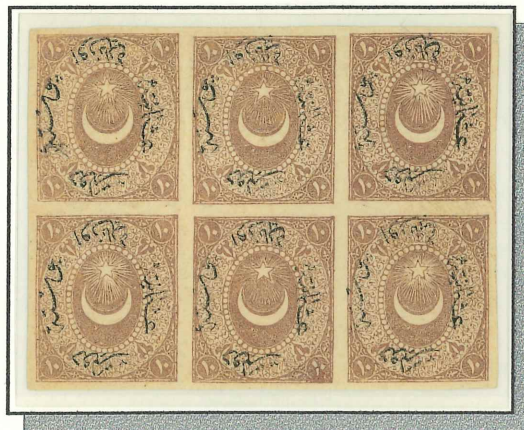


Plate II, Setting II

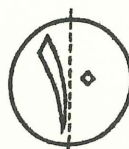
3	4	5
13	14	15

**Imperforate block of 10 paras with inverted overprint
ex.Melon**

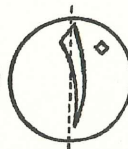
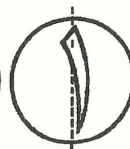


1868 ISSUE

ERRORS



Normal



Corrected

10 paras, 133rd stamp of Plate II, Setting II
Corrected cliché with the insertion of a point, the equivalent of the Turkish " O " , next to the " I " in the four circles cercles. However, the dot is higher and closer to the " I " than in the normal stamps, while the figure " I " is exactly in the centre of the circle.



Cover part bearing a pair of 10 paras and one 1872 1 piastre, sent from Edirne to Istanbul.
Taxed on arrival to with 1 pi. Postage Due of 1872 overprinted Sehir, cancelled with oval Bahcekapussi stamp.
The 10 para stamp in the middle is of corrected type as described above.



1868 ISSUE



20 pa
inverted overprint



20 pa
irregular perforations



20 pa
irregular and partial perforations



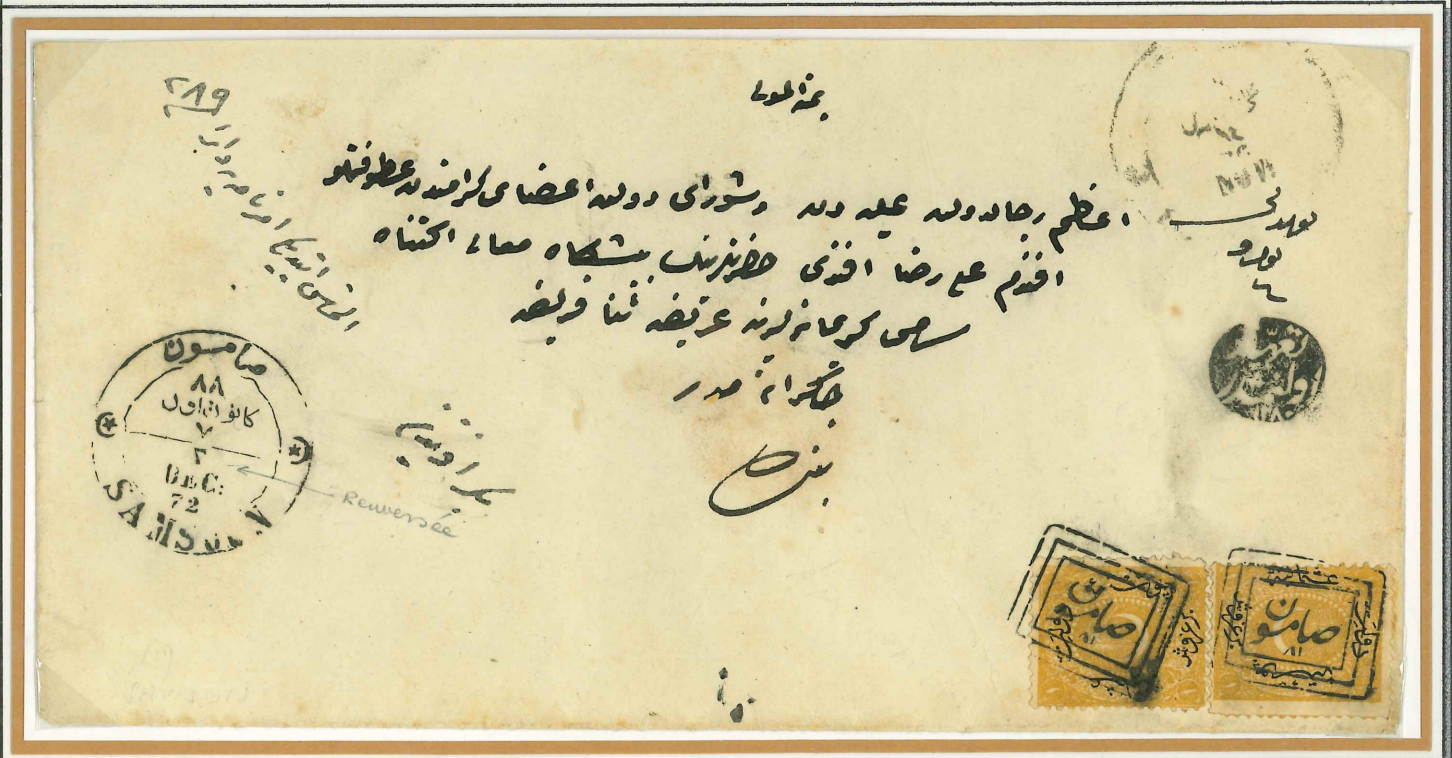
Folded letter part, dated 2nd of November 1869, franked with a stripe of three of 20 paras of 1968.
Cancelled with triple rectangles of Sam (Damas/Syria).
(Stamps are from Setting X, Nbr.45-47)



1868 ISSUE



Folded letter dated 26th of February 1869, sent from Edirne to Istamboul, cancelled on departure by triple circled Edirne cancellation. On arrival franked with a 20 paras and a 1 piastre of 1868 cancelled by triple rectangle of Deraliye . Round bilingual arrival cancellation of Deraliye/Stamboul at the back dated 1st of March 1869.



Registered cover , sent on the 26th of November 1872 from Samsun to Istanbul, franked with 2 stamps of 1 piastre of 1868, cancelled with a triple rectangle Samsun and round bilingual Samsun dated 7th of December 1869 .



1868 ISSUE

ERRORS



10 pa
in color of 1 pi



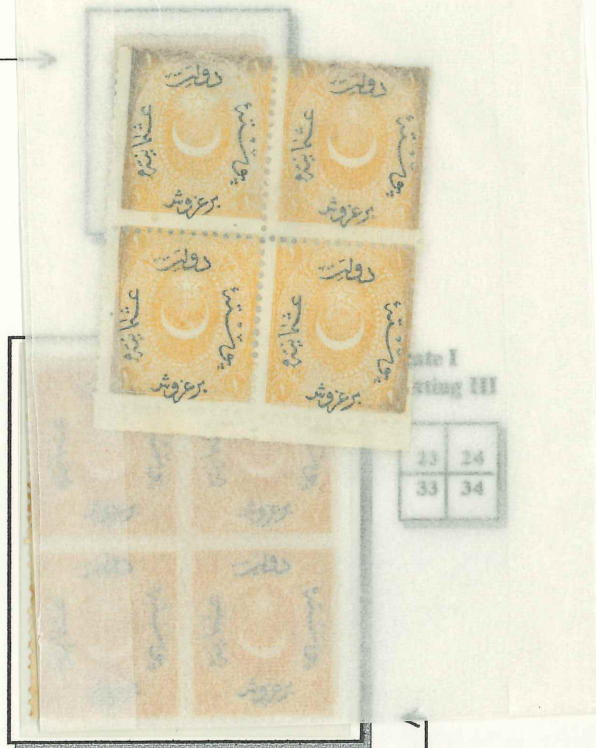
1 pi
inverted overprint

color spot



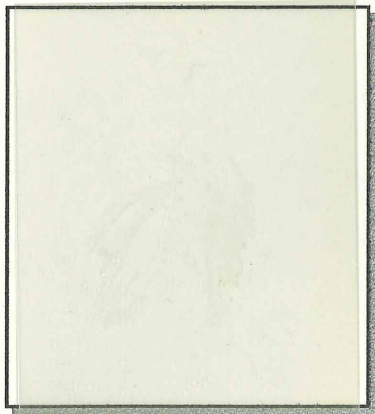
1 pi

color spot



1 pi

P.f.34 : White Spot



1 pi partially imperforated



1 pi
printed in the back



1 pi
double overprint



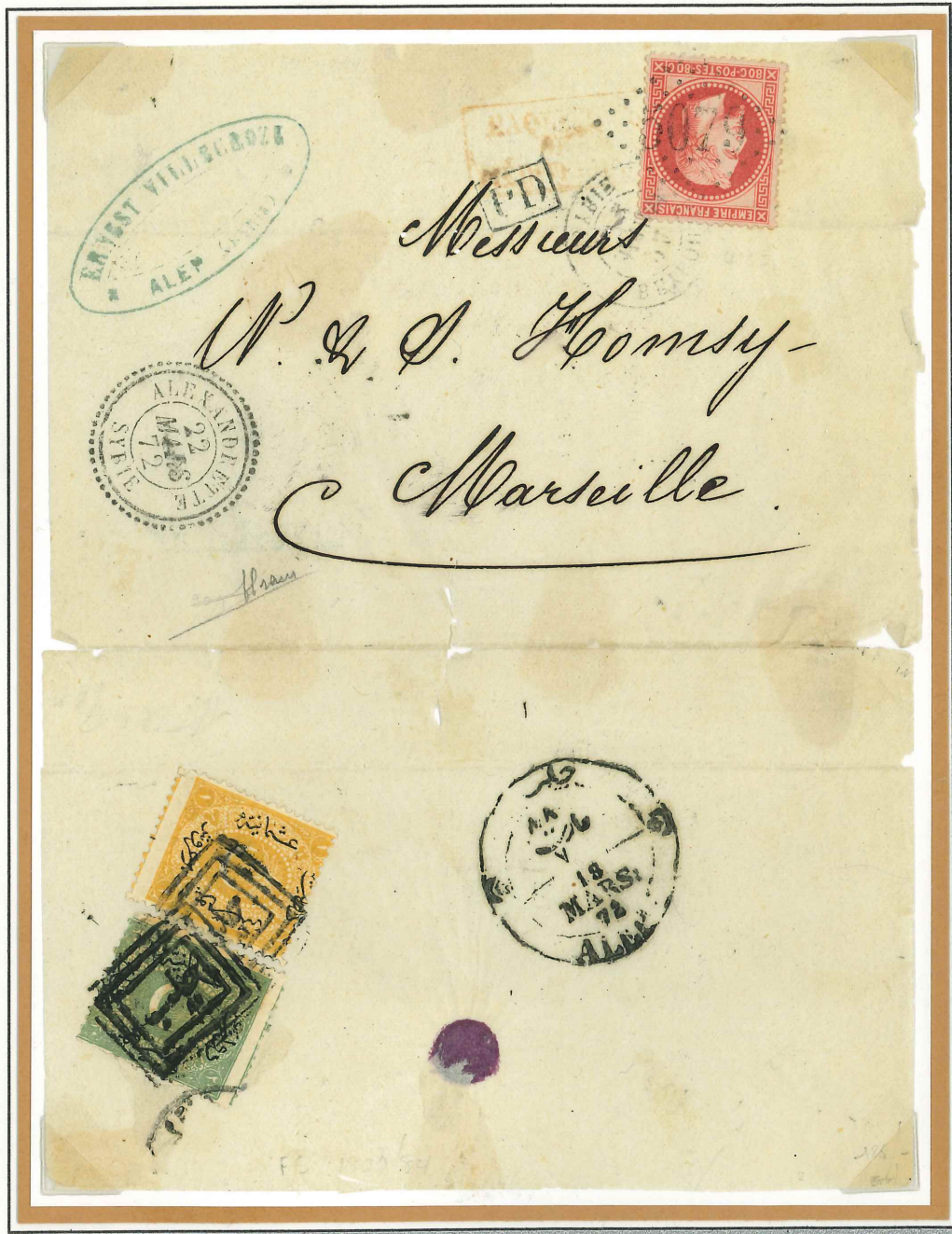
1 pi
misplaced perforation



1 pi
perforation error



1868 ISSUE



Cover sent from Alep to Marseille on the 18th of March 1872 , franked with 20 pa and 1 pi of 1868 and canceled with boxed Halep (stamps and cancellation probably fake).

Transited at Alexandrette/Syria on 22nd of March 1872 (round arrival cancellation) , taxed with a rose "Napoleon III lauré" 80c. (1863-70) and canceled with a pointed losange roulette with post office number 5079 (large numbers), belonging to Alexandrette.

Received at Beyrouth on March 24, 1872 and canceled with small round stamp, then shipped on a vessel and canceled Paquebot S/S America.

Small PD stamp (Payé jusqu'à Destination) meaning postage paid up to destination.



1868 ISSUE

ERRORS



2 pi
overprint of 5pi. instead of 2 pi.

بیش از دو پیه | instead of | یکی غوروش



printed in the back



misplaced perforations



2pi in color of 25 pi



Cover sent from Senica to Sarajevo, franked with 10 pa and 2 pi of 1868 with triple circle Senica cancellation.
(2 pi with misplaced perforation)



1868 ISSUE

ESSAYS AND ERRORS



**25 pi imperforate essay pair
on unglued cardboard**



**25 pi color essay without imprint
on unglued cardboard**



25 pi inverted overprint



**25 pi
2 instead of 25 in top left corner**



25 pi, large color spot on star



25 pi, misplaced overprint



1868 ISSUE

POSTAGE DUE - RED-BROWN BORDER

Essays on thin paper



20 paras



1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres



25 piastres

Definitive Issue



20 paras



1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres



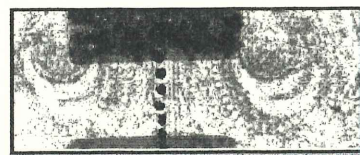
25 piastres



1868 ISSUE

POSTAGE DUE - RED-BROWN BORDER

ERRORS



double print at the back

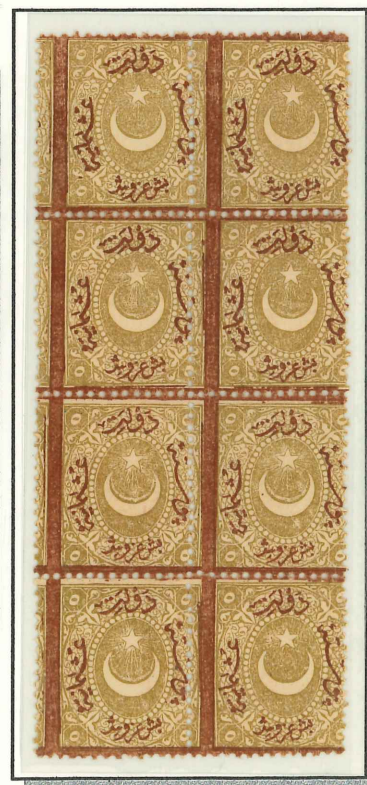
**5 piastres in block of 4
inverted overprint and double print at the back**



**5 piastres
numerals missing on the left side
due to misplaced perforation**



**5 pi., left corner block
control number 2599**



**5 piastres
numerals missing on the right side
due to misplaced perforation**



POSTAGE DUE - RED-BROWN BORDER

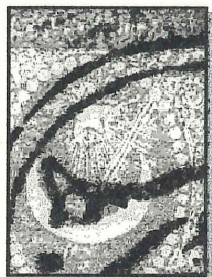
ERRORS



20 paras
inverted overprint



20 paras
cancelled Hazargrad (Bg)



scratch across stamp



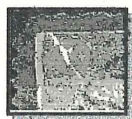
20 para
numerals missing
on the right side



→
scratch across
left top corner



20 paras , with Sehir ovpt.



→
scratch across
left top corner



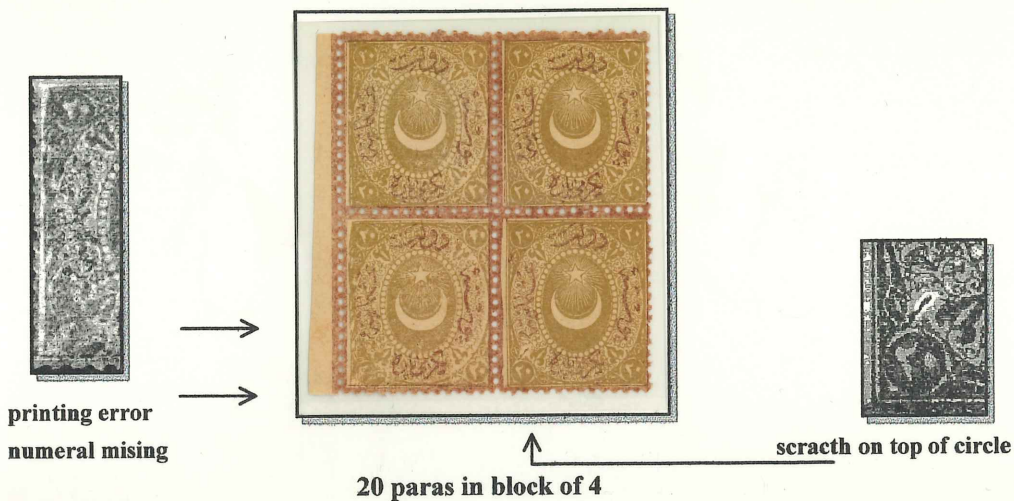
20 paras from top left of page
scratch on top left numeral (Pos.11)



1868 ISSUE

POSTAGE DUE - RED-BROWN BORDER

ERRORS



Folded letter dated 28th of November 1869, sent from Brood (Yu) to Bosna (Sarajevo, Yu.), taxed on arrival with 20 paras and 1 piastre postage-dues with red-brown border of 1869 and cancelled Bosna.
 (Scratch across the lower left numeral of the 20 paras stamp.)





1868 ISSUE

POSTAGE DUE - BLACK-BROWN BORDER

Imperforate Essays on thick paper



20 paras



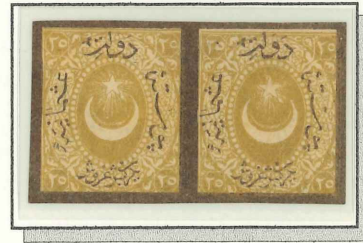
1 piastre



2 piastres



5 piastres



25 piastres

Imperforate Essays on thin paper



20 paras



5 piastres



1868 ISSUE

POSTAGE DUE
BLACK-BROWN and RED-BROWN BORDER

حب بطالع جناب عفة العجيب الامام عبد النعمان السادات محمد عيش ذم اخوانه المحرمين

Said Mohamed Yemesh freres
Alep
Voie d'Alexandrette



GC 5098



Death notice sent from Smyrne on the 16th of May 1869 to Alep via Alexandrette, franked with a pair of 20c. Napoléon Lauré of 1863, dot cancelled with large numbered 5908 (Smyrne, Postes Françaises du Levant).

Red rectangular P.D. stamp for Paid until Destination

Round transit cancellation of Alexandrette dated 20th of May 1869.

At reception in Alep taxed with 20 paras with red-brown border and 1 piastre with black-brown border of 1868, tied with triple rectangle arrival cancellation of Alep .

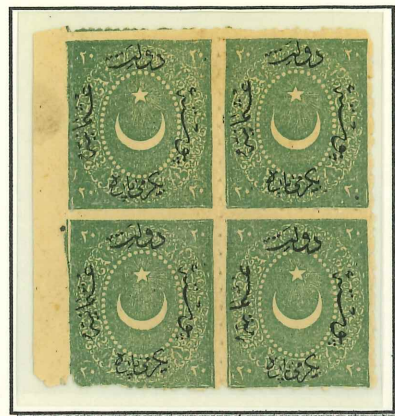


1870 ISSUE

Printed in Constantinople with the clichés engraved by Duloz. Printed on white paper in sheets of 150 stamps. Irregular perforation, most of the time made with sewing machines : 5 to 11 1/2. Litographic overprint in black.

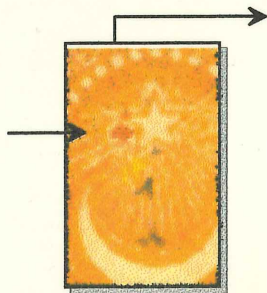


10 paras



20 paras

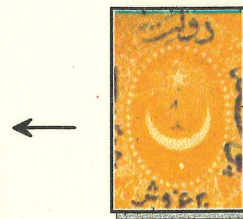
double perforation



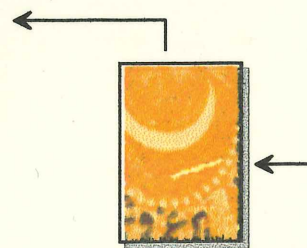
color spot left of star



1 piastre



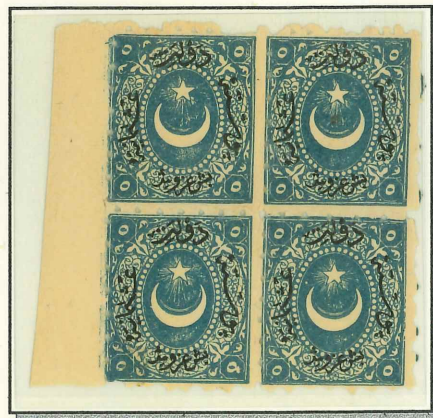
white spot under crescent



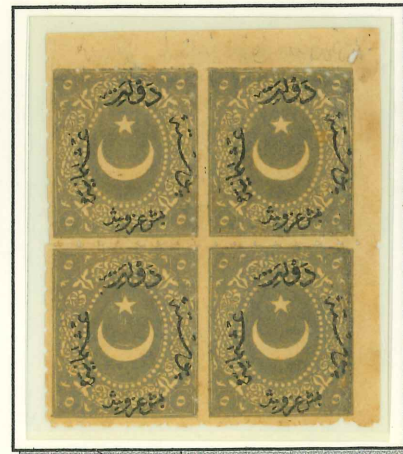
scratch across stamp



2 piastres



5 piastres blue



5 piastres grey



1870 ISSUE

ERRORS



20 paras, misplaced overprint



20pa, printed on the back



20 pa, missing middle perforation



20 pa, without overprint
5 instead of 2 in
lower right corner



Folded letter bearing a strip of 3 20 paras of 1870 cancelled Beirut



1870 ISSUE

ERRORS



2 pi. misplaced perforation



2pi.

دولت
instead of
دولت
"L" troncated



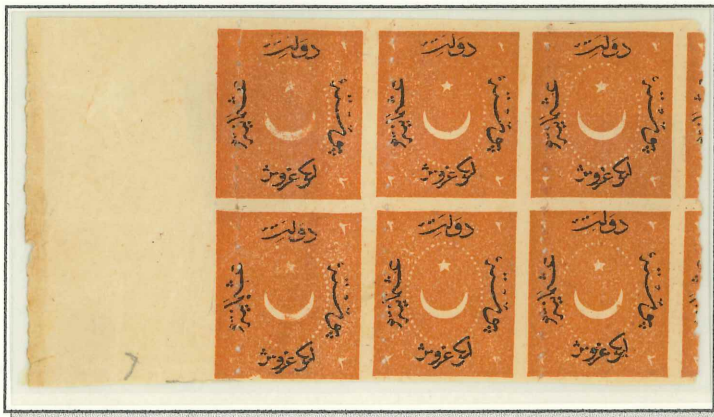
2pi. inverted overprint



2pi. inverted overprint



2 pi, misplaced perforation



2 piastres in block of 6 from border of the sheet
horizontal perforations missing in the middle

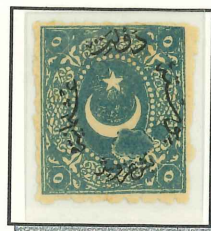


1870 ISSUE

ERRORS



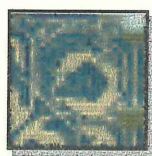
5pi.,color spot on top right numeral



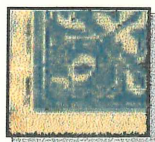
5 pi., large color spot under crescent



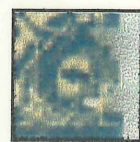
5 piastres, block of 4
overprint on the back



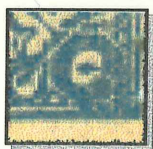
color spot on the 5



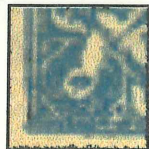
white spot under the 5



white spot under the 5
5 open to the right side



color spot under the 5
5 open to the right side

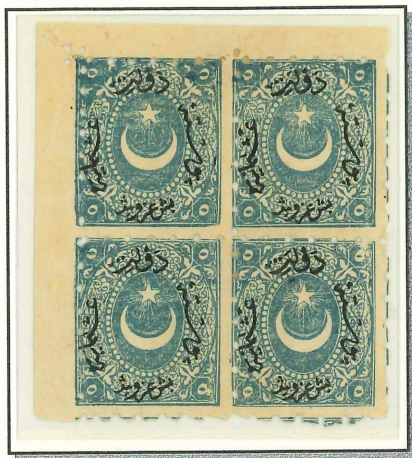


white spot on top on the 5



1870 ISSUE

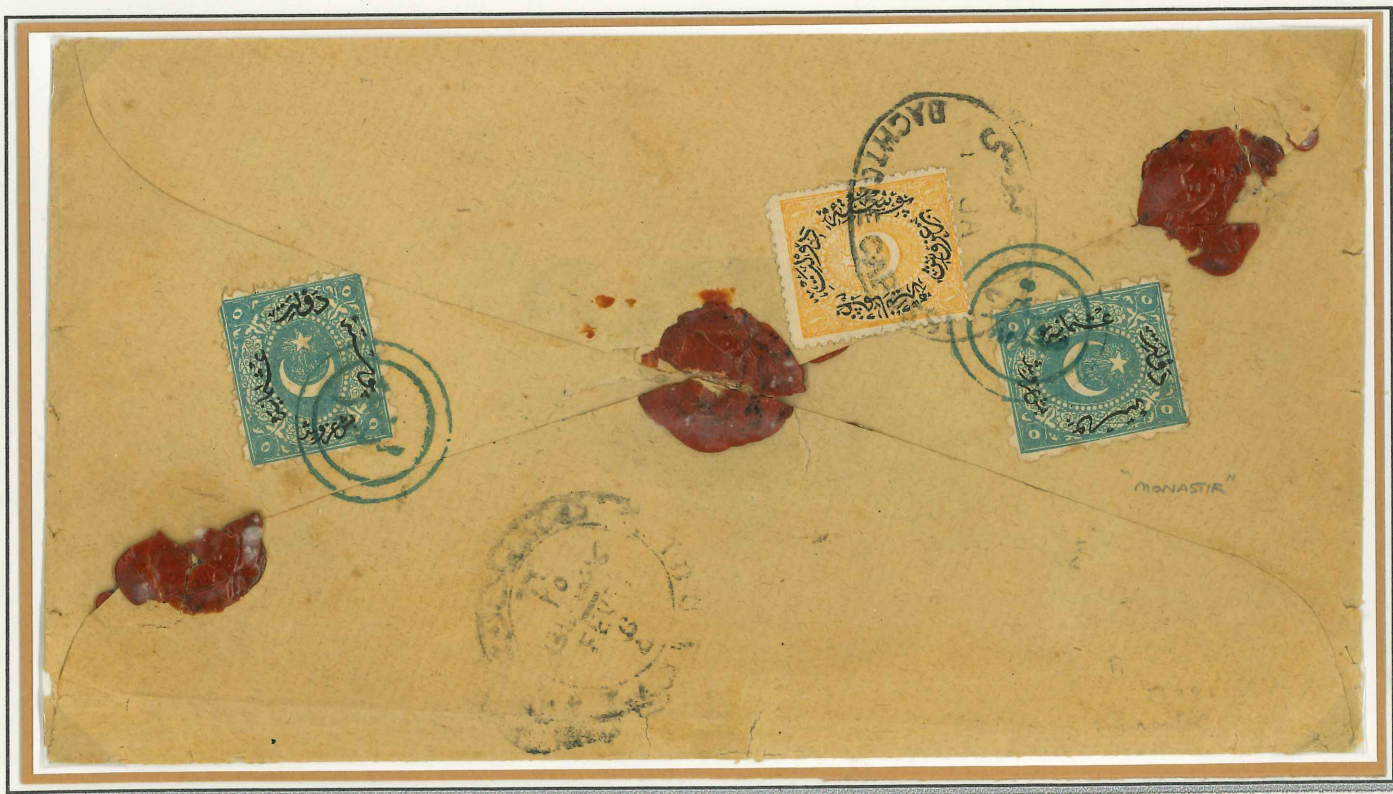
ERRORS



5 piastres in block of 4

On the top left side, the three stitch marks were made to hold the sheets together during the perforation process with a sewing machine.

On the left side, the irregular pressure mark of the sewing machine's guide can be seen.



Cover sent from Manastir to Istanbul, franked with 2 5pi. of 1870 cancelled Monastir, taxed on arrival to Istamboul with 1877 1 pi cancelled with local post office stamp of Bahtchekapoussi



1870 ISSUE



Full sheet of
50 of 5 pi of 1870



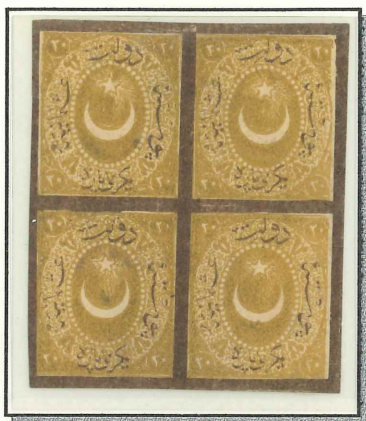
P.F.43 : 2 instead
of 25 in left top
corner



POSTAGE DUE

1870 ISSUE

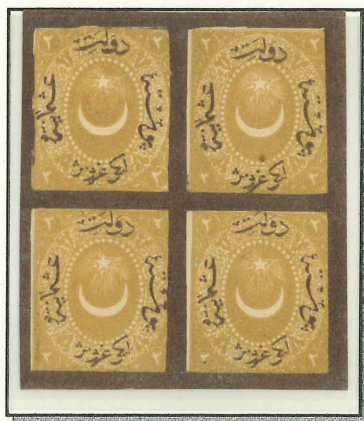
IMPERFORATE ESSAYS ON THIN PAPER, GUMMED



20 paras



1 piastre

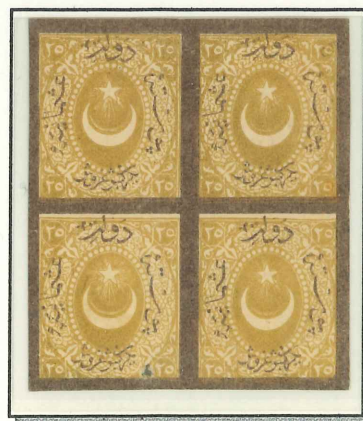


2 piastres

this essay bears the overprint (Type 3a) known only on the postage stamp of this value



5 piastres



25 piastres



POSTAGE DUE

1870 ISSUE

RED-BROWN BORDER



20 paras pair
left stamp with inverted overprint

Plate IV, Setting X

126	127
136	137
146	147



5 piastres
block of 6 with inverted overprint



Scratch along
stamps 137 and
147



5 piastres
control number 888 in left margin
color stains on the stamps



RED-BROWN BORDER



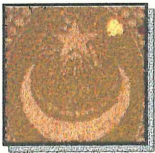
Scratch across numeral



20 paras



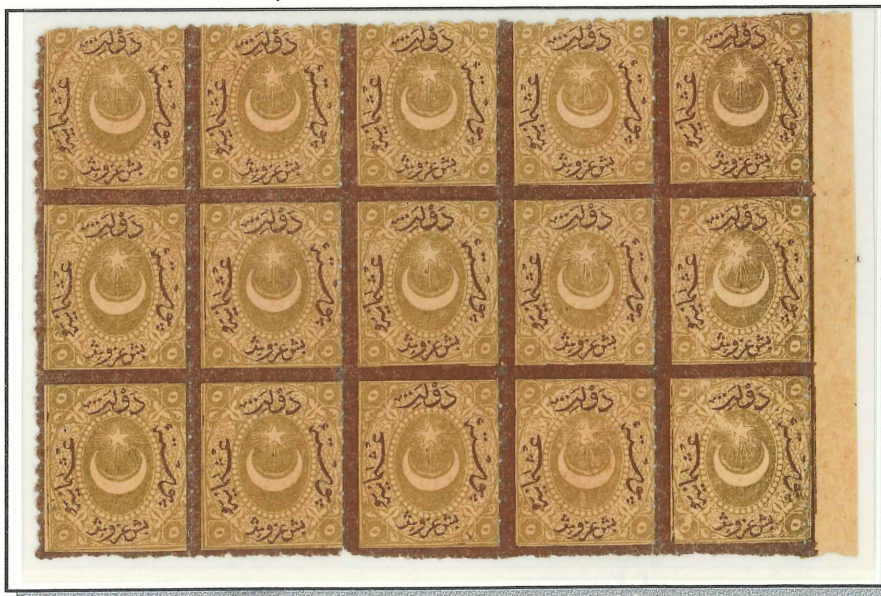
5 piastres, double print at the back



White spot
right of star

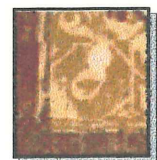
26	27	28	29	30
36	37	38	39	40
46	47	48	49	50

Plate IV, Setting IX



5 piastres, block of 15

missing horizontal
perforations



White spot on
top of numeral



RED-BROWN BORDER



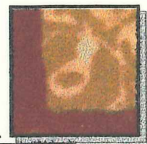
2 piastres



5 piastres

Plate IV, Setting X

39	40
49	50



white spot on left bottom 5

Cancellations



Strip of three 20 pa. Sirkeci Iskelesi



20 pa., Bilecik



Train No.2
Bureau Ambulant



1pi.Nevsehir



2pi.Diyarbakir



5pi.Izmir



5pi.Izmir



5pi.Kaçak



POSTAGE DUE

1870 ISSUE

BLACK-BROWN BORDER



20 paras



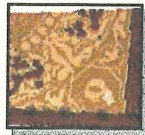
1 piastre



2 piastres



color spot →



white spot →



5 piastres



25 piastres

POSTAGE DUE



1870 ISSUE

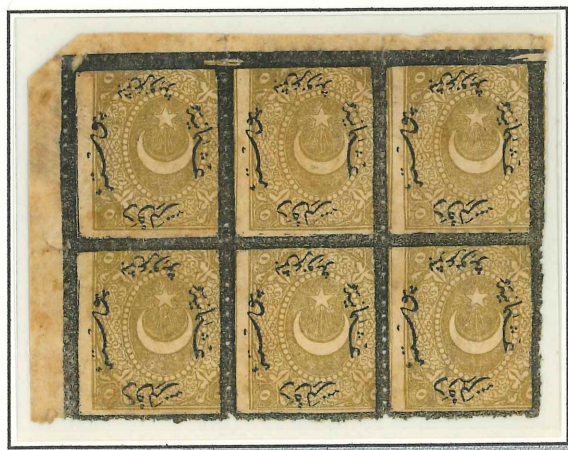
BLACK-BROWN BORDER



1 piastre
inverted overprint



20 paras
inverted overprint



5 piastres
inverted overprint



BLACK-BROWN BORDER



25 piastres in block of 35, from left side of sheet of 50
Typical plate flows are



Pos.4 : vertical white line



Pos.5 : right tip of the crescent is damaged



Pos.7 : color spot in left horn



Pos.15 : white scratch from left horn to beaded oval



POSTAGE DUE

1870 ISSUE

BLACK-BROWN BORDER



Letter sent from Brood to Travnik (Yu) and taxed on arrival with two 20pa. of 1870



Letter dated September 26, 1874, sent from Usküp (Skopje, Yu.) to Nish (Yu), with postage due 1 pi. used as postage stamp and cancelled Usküp.



POSTAGE DUE

1870 ISSUE

BLACK-BROWN BORDER



Letter sent from Bosna (Sarajevo, Yu.) to Constantinople, taxed on arrival with postage due 1 pi. and 5 pi. cancelled Dersaadet 1 in triangle



Letter sent from Andrinople (Edirne, Tr.) to Metelin (Midilli, Gr) via Constantinople, franked with 20pa of 1875 and a 2 pi.postage due of 1870 used as postage stamp.



1873 ISSUE

In 1873 the plates of the 10 paras were altered and new types of 10 paras and a new 2 pi. were printed. The new perforation was 12.



Scratch across stamp



10 paras violet
Plate II, Setting II, Position 138



10 paras violet
Scratch across stamps 138-139-140

Plate II, Setting II

137	138	139	140
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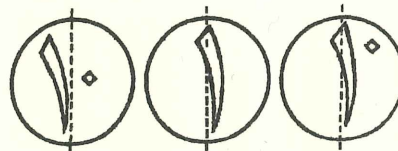


Cover sent from Erzurum franked with a pair of 10 pa.bistre and 2 pi of 1873 and 1 pi postage due of 1870



1873 ISSUE

ERRORS



Normal

Corrected

10 paras yellow-bistre, 33rd stamp of Plate II, Setting II

Corrected cliché with the insertion of a point, the equivalent of the Turkish "O", next to the "I" in the four circles cercles. However, the dot is higher and closer to the "I" than in the normal stamps, while the figure "I" is exactly in the centre of the circle.



10 paras lilac, corrected 10



10 paras purple, corrected 10



10 paras lilac
inverted overprint



1873 ISSUE

ERRORS



اوزنايك

thick line
retouche Pos.67

67	68	69	70
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10 paras, with retouches

دولت
شاه
ثick line
breaks

retouche Pos.68



10 paras
Pos.67 with retouche



10 paras
Pos.67 with retouche



10 paras
Pos.68 with retouche



10 paras , Pos.67-68 with retouches



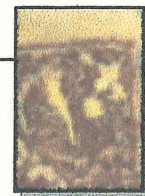
10 paras



10 paras
Plate II, Setting IV, Position 69
White spot in right top circle
instead of)
instead of)



10 paras





ERRORS



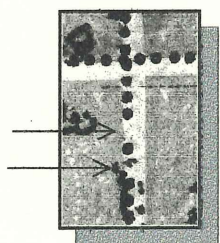
misplaced perforation



2 pi., missing vertical perforation



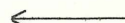
misplaced perforation



missing perforations



2 pi., print error on right side, overprint misplaced



Missing vertical perforations



Printing errors



Imperforate pair



1873 ISSUE

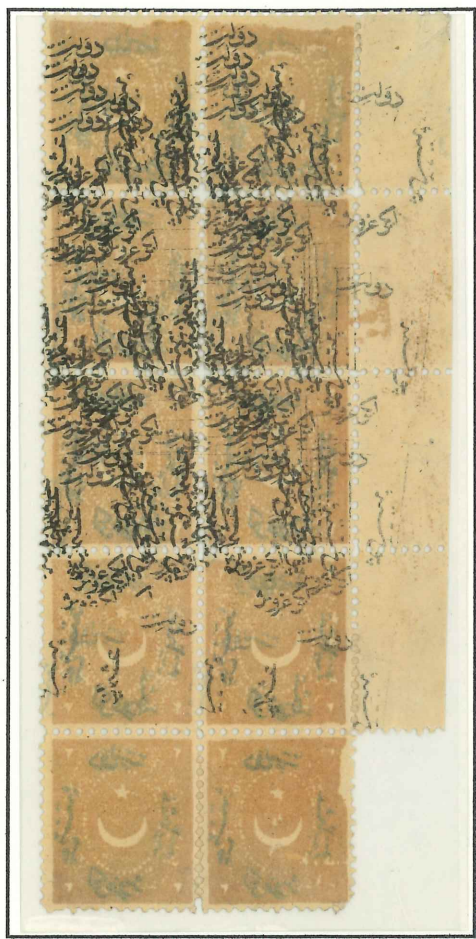
ERRORS



2 piastres in block of 12
Inverted overprint printed on the back



ERRORS



Backside of 2 pi, with multiple overprints

Plate I, Setting I

1	2
11	12
21	22
31	32
41	42



Reproduction of the front side, with misplaced and double overprints



1875 ISSUE

Printed in Constantinople with a line perforation of 13 1/2, the 1875 issue stamps are of better quality than the previous issues. The improved quality can be observed in the printing, the overprint, the paper and the regularity of the perforations.

First day issue for 10 paras is January 1875, for 20 paras February 1875, and for 1 piastre August 1875.



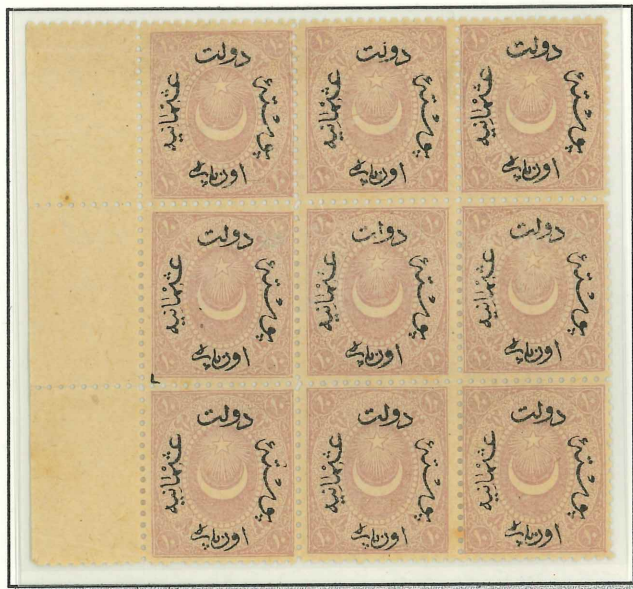
10 paras lilac



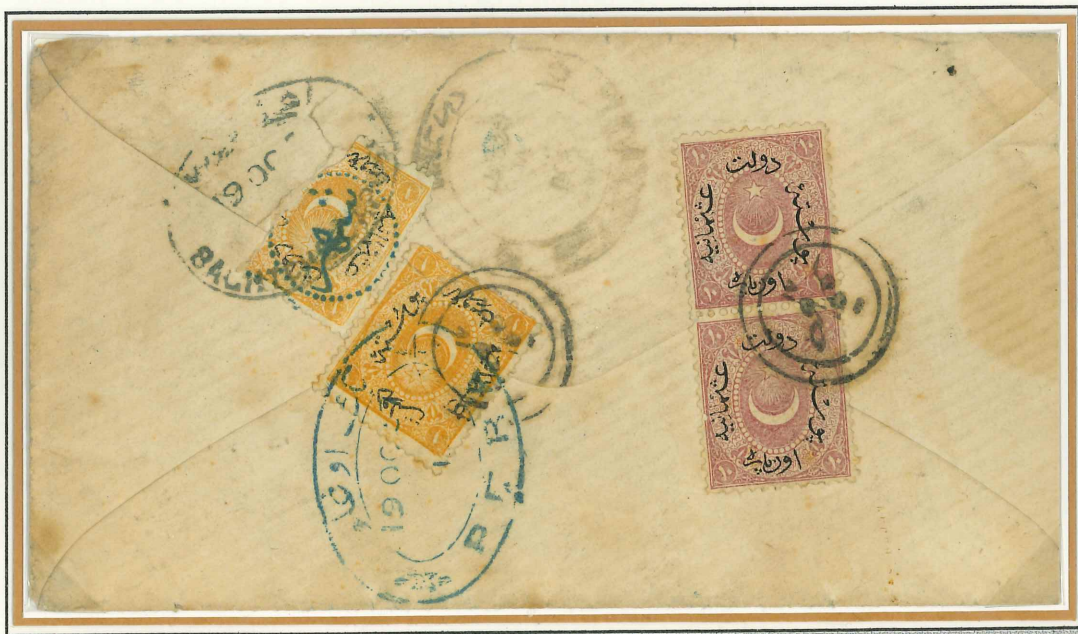
10 paras violet

Plate IV, Setting VIII

1	2	3
11	12	13
21	22	23



10 paras lilac in block of 9



Cover sent from Selanik (Gr.) to Constantinople, franked with a pair of 10 pa. and a 1 pi. of 1875 cancelled Selanik. On arrival, taxed with 1 pi. of 1875 overprinted Sehir in blue and cancelled Bachtchapussi for Local City Post distribution. Blue Pera arrival cancellation dated October 19, 1877.



ERRORS

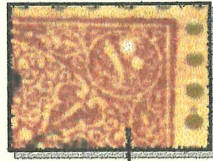


Plate flow Pos.1 : another white dot after I

Plate IV, Setting V

1	2	3	4
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10 paras, strip of 4 cancelled Dersaadet 1

missing perforation



Plate IV, Setting V

1	2
11	12



10 paras, violet, block of 4 cancelled Nazilli

Plate IV, Setting V

29	30
39	40



10 paras, block of 4 cancelled Egin (Kemaliye)



Pos.30. White stroke

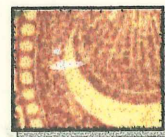
Pos.139 : large white spots

Plate IV, Setting VIII

138	139	140
148	149	150



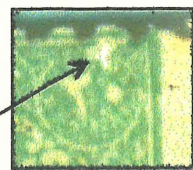
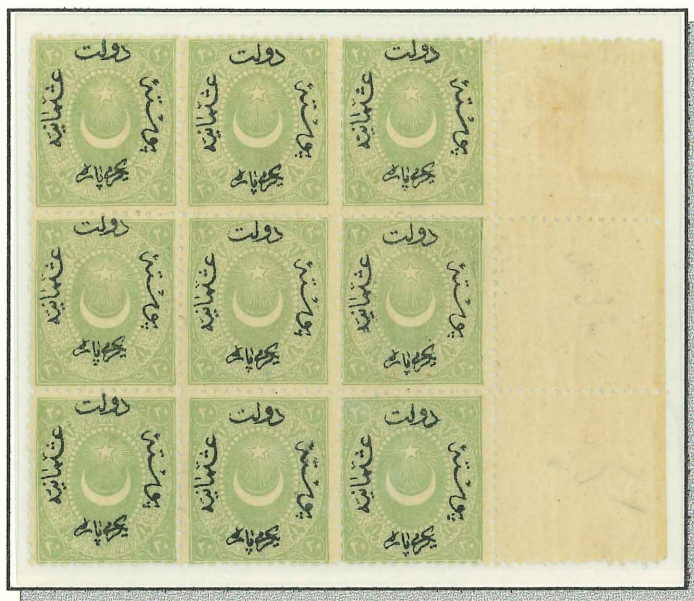
10 paras in block of 6 from bottom left of the sheet



Pos.150 : White spots on left part of the horn



1875 ISSUE



Setting X Flaw 10
white spot on top of 20

Setting X

8	9	10
18	19	20
28	29	30

20 paras in block of 9



Setting X

8	9	10
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Setting X Flaw 10
white spot on top of 20



Letter sent from Usküp (Skopje, Yu) to Sarajewo, bearing a trip of three 20 paras 1875 cancelled Usküp in blue.



1875 ISSUE



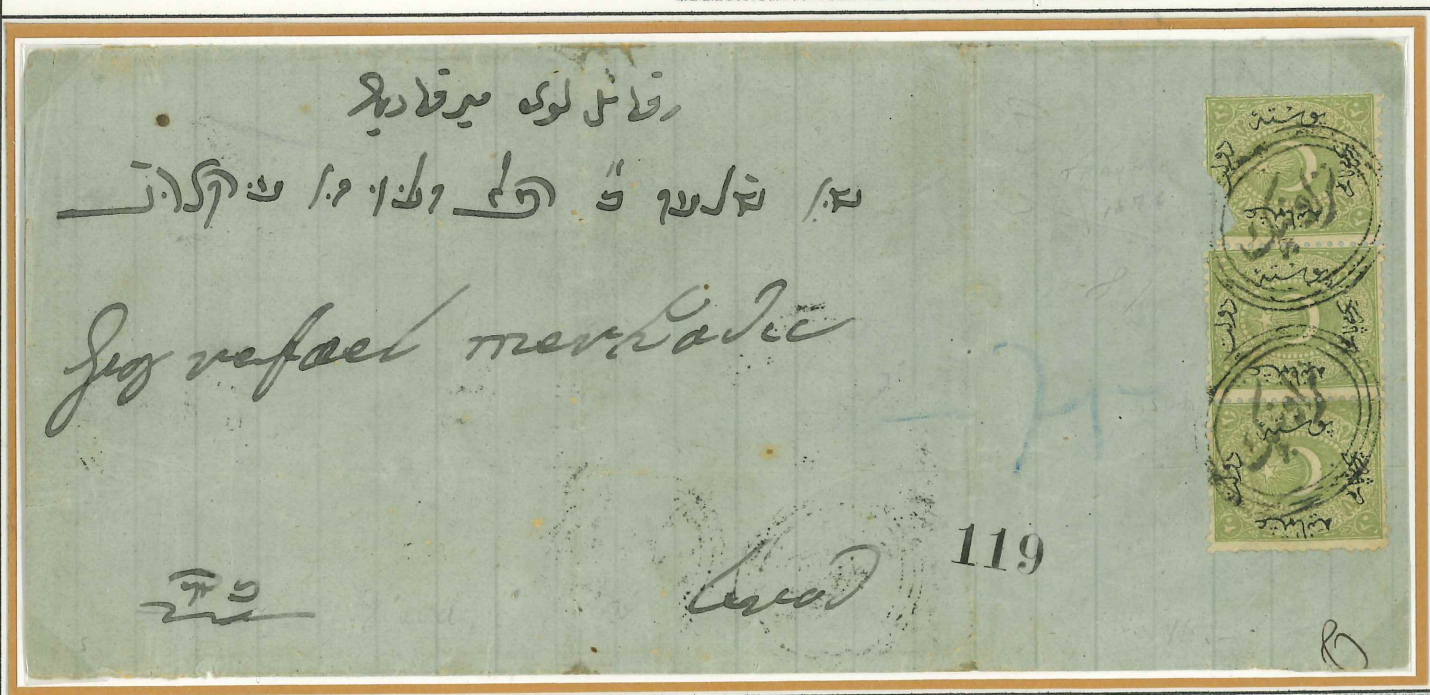
Setting X

1	2
11	12

20 paras in block of 4



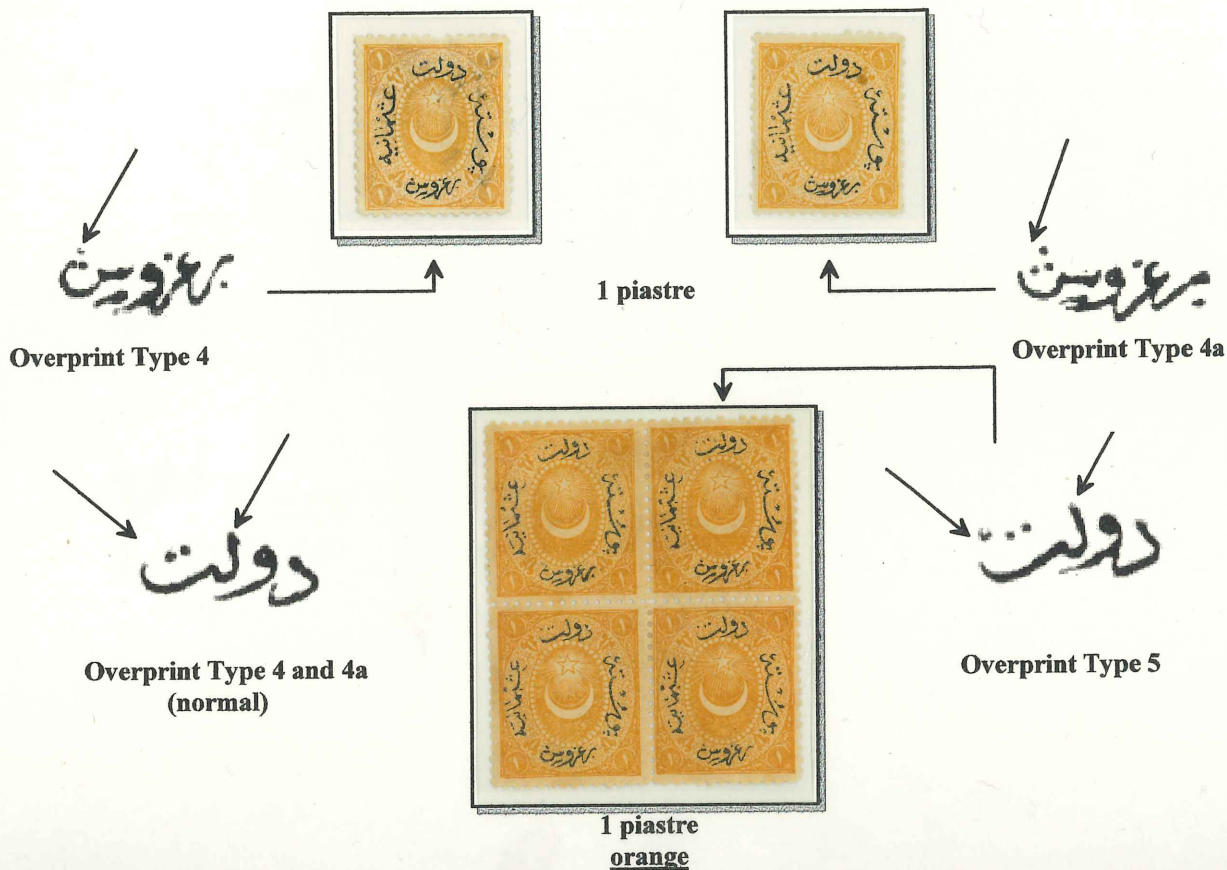
Plate flaw : white spot under zero



Letter sent from Travnik (Yu.) to Brood (Yu.) bearing a strip of three 20 paras of 1875, cancelled Travnik.



1875 ISSUE



Letter sent from Nish (Yu) to Constantinople franked with a trip of three 1 pi orange of 1875 cancelled Nis in blue



1875 ISSUE



1 piastres yellow in block of 9



scratch across 3 stamps in middle row (enhanced view)



Opened cover sent from Ruscuk (Bg) to Constantinople franked with 20 pa orange and 1 pi of 1875, cancelled Ruscuk. On arrival taxed with 1 pi yellow overprinted Sehir (local post) cancelled Bahtchecapussi dated 2 August 1877



1876 ISSUE

The provisional issue of stamps with the French surcharge "Pre" was printed for postage to countries belonging to the Universal Postal Union. Printed in Constantinople on white paper, with a single line perforation of 13 1/4, they were issued in sheets of 150 stamps. First date of issue January 13, 1876.

ERRORS



1/4 Pre on 10 paras

instead of

Plate IV, Setting V

1
11



1/4 Pre
double perforation



1/4 Pre
Plate IV, Setting VIII, Pos.44

White spots



1/4 Pre
double perforation



1/2 Pre on 20 paras

Plate IV, Setting VIII

111	112
121	122

Pro instead of Pre error (Pos.122)



irregular surcharge



1/2 Pre pair
overprint and surcharge inverted on
left stamp



Pro/Pre error
broken "/" in 1/2

1/2



1876 ISSUE



Cover sent from Constantinople the 9th of January 1880 to Venice (I) by ship mail bearing a pair of 1/2 Pré of 1876, cancelled Pioscafoi Postali Italiani. Round arrival stamp of Venezia at reverse, dated 15.1.80



Registered cover sent from Iskece (Xanthi/Gr.) to Constantinople Mixed franking of 3 pairs of 1/2 Pré of 1876 and an Empire 5pi. of 1876 , cancelled Iskece.



1876 ISSUE

ERRORS



imperforate pair of 1 1/4 Pre



1 1/4 Pre pair, top overprint inverted



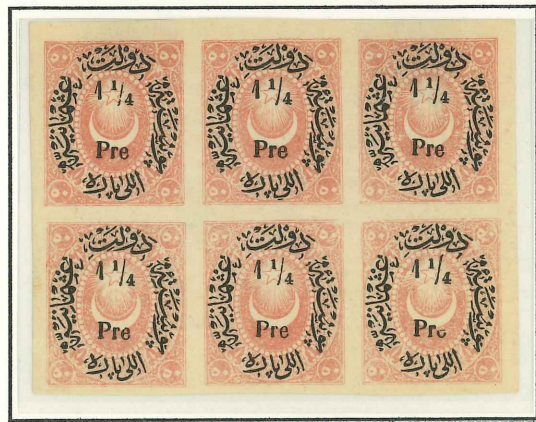
1 1/4 Pre, inverted overprint



white spots

Setting I

91	92	93
101	102	103



imperforate, gummed 1 1/4 Pre in block of 6



white spots

broken "e"

2	3
12	13

This error occurs at Positions 12 and 136 of all sheets



Pro instead of Pre error



missing "e"



50 paras without overprint



Pro/Pre error



1876 ISSUE

ERRORS



2 pi surcharged 2 Pres

Pies instead of Pres

75	76
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→
dented top
left corner



2 Pres



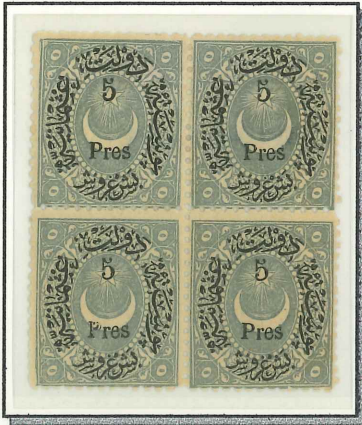
2 Pres, large 2



2 Pres imperforate

Plate V Setting IX

53	54
63	64



→
Fancy "P"



39	40
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←
Fancy "P"

5 piastres surcharged 5 Pres

Plate V, Setting IX

66	67	68
76	77	78
86	87	88



←
Fancy "P"

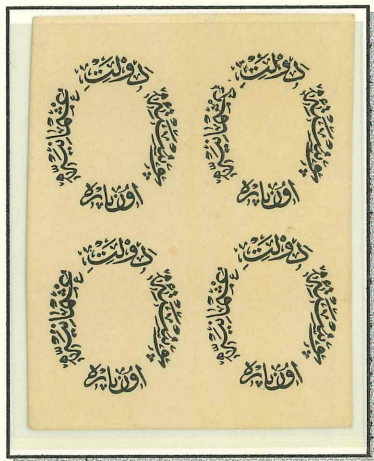
5 piastres surcharged 5 Pres



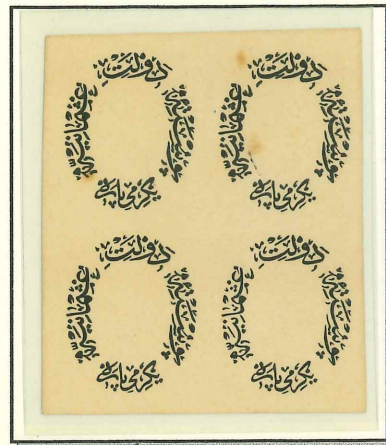
1876/77 ISSUE

These stamps were issued with the same overprint of 1876 but without the French surcharge. Printed in Constantinople, on white paper, with single line perforation of 13 1/2, the 5 pi and the 25 pi was not issued. A grey 20 paras and a 2 piastre was issued in 1881/82 with the same overprint and the same perforation and they are considered as part of the 1876/77 issue. These were the last stamps of Duloz issues and were withdrawn definitely on 1st of March, 1884.

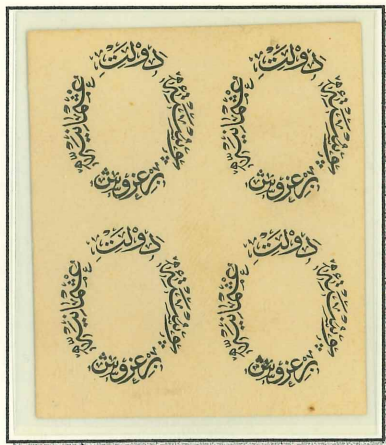
CARDBOARD OVERPRINT ESSAYS



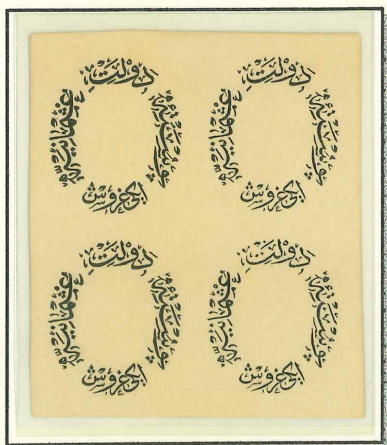
10 paras



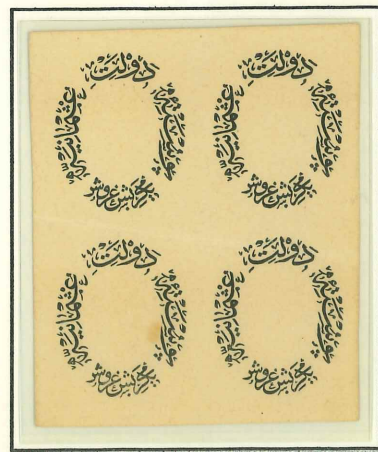
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1 piastre



2 piastres



25 piastres



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CARDBOARD ESSAYS



10 paras



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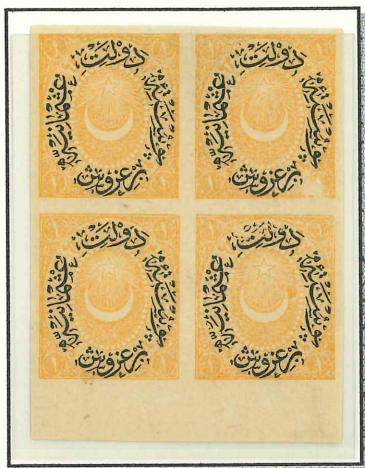


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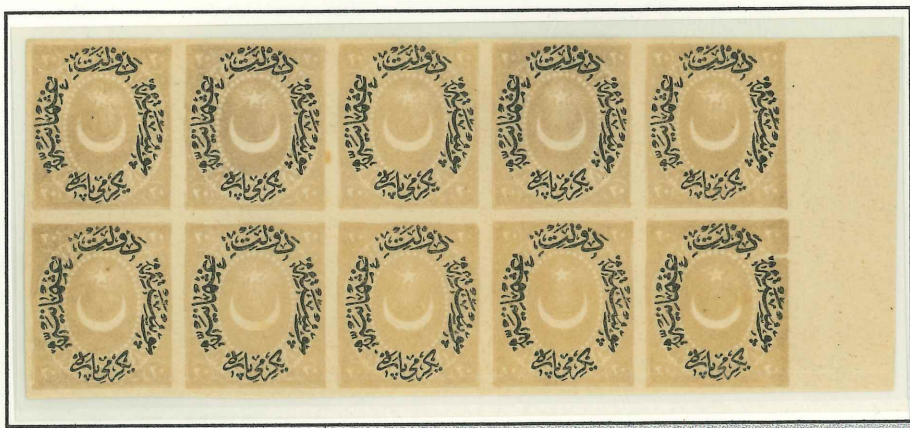


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IMPERFORATE ESSAYS ON THIN GUMMED PAPER



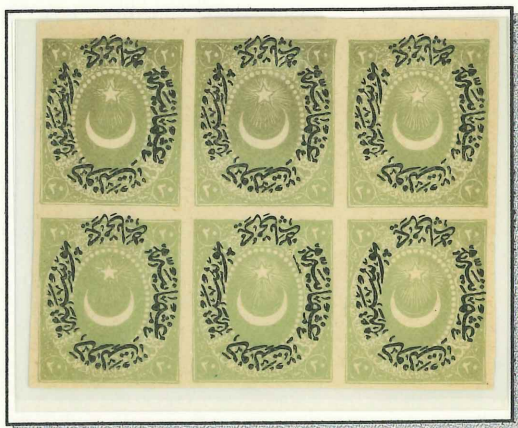
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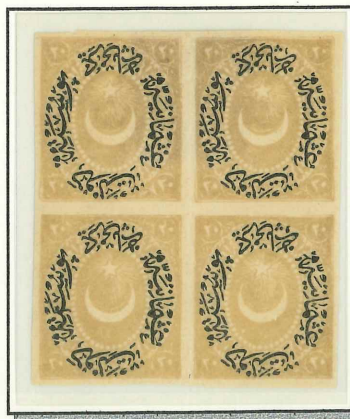
20 paras grey

IMPERFORATE ESSAY ERRORS

INVERTED OVERPRINTS



20 paras green



20 paras grey



ERRORS



scratch

white dot

**10 paras
Inverted Overprint**



**10 paras
Imperforated**



**10 paras
Imperforated Cancelled**

) instead of)

missing numeral →

Plate IV, Setting V

1	2
11	12



10 paras



**10 paras in block of 6
cancelled Serres (Gr)**

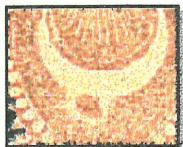
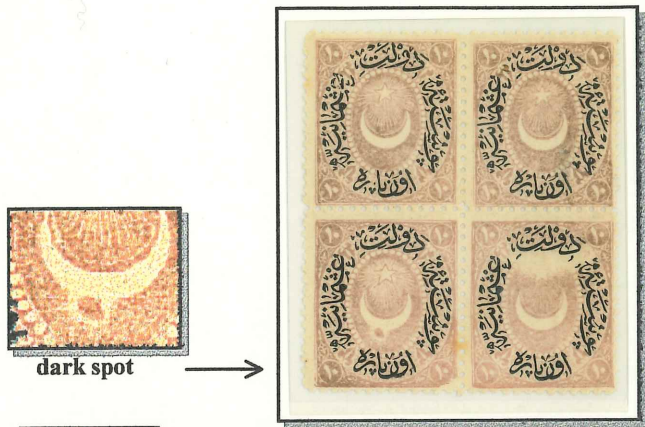
Plate IV, Setting V

1	2
11	12
21	22



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ERRORS



dark spot



broken corner

↑ 10 paras

Plate IV, Setting VIII

34	35
44	45



white cloud

Plate IV, Setting VIII

2	3
12	13

14



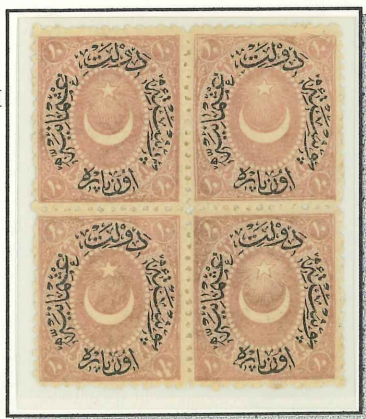
10 paras

Horizontal scratch across stamps 12 to 14



Plate IV Set. VIII

136	137
146	147



white spot



White spots



Plate IV Set. VIII

139	140
149	150



white spots on left horn

10 paras block of 4



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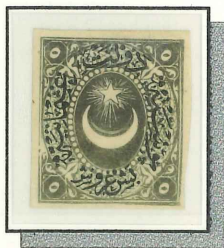
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**5 piastres
irregular perforations**



25 piastres



5 piastres , imperforate



25 piastres, imperforate