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Liberty Seated
Dime Collection Sale
Part 1**

Starts October 29 - 9:00 PM ET
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The Newtown Collection has done it again with a remarkable Liberty Seated Dime Collection offering. This top ranked collection includes a majority of CAC approved lots, many with important pedigrees. Newtown's collecting passion and attention to detail are readily evident upon opening this catalog.

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1837 Large Date F-101c 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Steely luster imparts active cartwheels across the surfaces of this Large Date, No Stars piece. A moderate spray of olive and charcoal patina covers both sides, highlighted by considerable flash that is thoroughly consistent with the MS66 CAC designation. The 1837 F-101c is coin #1 on the Top-100 list and exhibits heavy die clashing with elevated obverse die cracks. While not as arresting as the 1839 F-105c "Pie," the die deterioration is advanced and easily apparent without a glass. The dies are slightly rotated as expected for all later die states of the F-101 die pair. The CAC census notes two examples in MS66, with only a pair of pieces higher, both at MS67. The guide value is \$15,000. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1837 Small Date F-103 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Vibrant, frosted luster complements the rich russet and evergreen patina of this Small Date example, and the in-hand eye appeal is stunning. Deeper rim toning frames the lighter centers, with traces of original silver color evident on both sides. No Stars dimes exhibit a plain obverse that more capably reveals the overall color scheme, as is fully evident here. CAC recognizes four pieces in MS66 with only a single coin higher, at MS67. As a class, this issue is scarcer than the With Stars counterpart, as the CAC population report notes 96 examples of the latter and exactly half of that, 48 pieces, across all grades of the No Stars pieces. The CAC guide value is \$16,800. Ex. Simpson (Heritage 9/23/2010, lot 3615), O'Neal, and Woodlands collections. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.



1838-O No Stars F-101a 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. This heavily frosted, brilliant gem forms a headlight of silver and tan patina, and the eye appeal is considerable. The strike is full, imparting healthy definition in the braids and bow knot. CAC has certified three pieces at the MS65 level and none higher. Previously from the Gene Gardner collection (Heritage 8/10/2016, lot 4011) and acquired by Gardner from Legend Numismatics in 2007. F-101a, with a repunched mintmark. Some reverse die erosion is present, and, if other examples materialize, recognition of an F-101b die state might be in order. The CAC price guide value is \$25,200. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1838 Small Stars F-101a 10C, PCGS MS62 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Satiny luster is easily apparent under crusty toning, with thick bluish-gray patina evenly distributed on both sides. The shield reveals a few deeper shades. PCGS and NGC grade Small Stars pieces conservatively, as examples tend toward satiny luster, rather than brilliant flash. F-101a, with doubling on O(NE) D(IME). CAC has approved only 28 pieces in all grades combined. The CAC price guide value is \$1,350. Ex. Woodlands Collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1838 Large Stars F-107 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. The hammered strike of this No Drapery example serves nicely as an illustration of a well-struck Liberty Seated dime - the head is completely defined, and the bow knot exhibits interior detail. The leaves are sharp, and the wreath reveals strong separation in the design elements. Frosty luster accompanies the silver and gray surfaces of this piece, with bits of maroon and steel-blue present at the rims. F-107, with stars 12 and 13 prominently recut. CAC notes 20 pieces at the MS65 level, with eight coins higher. The CAC price guide is \$3,150, and this piece serves as a superb example of the No Drapery, Large Stars variety at a reasonable price point. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2022) holder with CAC approval.



1838 Partial Drapery F-109 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Frosted luster imparts swirling cartwheels that rotate about the surfaces of this richly toned piece. Deep maroon patina mixes with the olive-colored obverse, while Liberty is more lightly toned. The reverse palette is more varied, with shades of pumpkin, aqua, and burgundy color throughout. The F-109 Partial Drapery variety exhibits a die clash under the right elbow, while the reverse reveals die erosion between the rim and UNITED. Note, this is not the Top 100 Varieties piece (#7, F-108c) as only the obverse exhibits die clashing. Still, the obverse clash is all that is needed to qualify for the Partial Drapery designation at the services. CAC has certified 19 pieces in all grades. The CAC guide value is \$2,320. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.

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1839 No Drapery F-101 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. Satiny luster reveals tan color atop steel surfaces, with underlying blue-green patina additionally evident on the reverse. F-101, with repunching in the 3 and 9, and slightly rotated dies. The engraver hand-punched the stars on No Drapery dime dies, with the result that star orientation is not always consistent from die to die - in this case, star 1 is placed slightly south of star 13. CAC has certified 84 pieces in all grades, with 12 examples higher. The CAC guide value is \$3,150. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.0 (1998-2002) holder with CAC approval.



1839-O No Drapery F-104a 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Pleasing shades of powder blue evenly cover both sides of this early New Orleans dime. A band of russet patina encircles the obverse, while the reverse exhibits bits of similar color within the legend. The overall eye appeal is compelling, and the new owner will be justifiable proud of an aesthetically pleasing, near-finest known piece. F-104a, with star 8 repunched and a bisecting reverse die crack running through DIME. The CAC census notes 64 pieces in all grades, with three examples higher, all at MS67. The CAC price guide value is \$14,400. Ex. Branch Mint Collection, a Liberty Seated type set consisting of ultra-high-grade examples, offered by GFRC in 2021. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1840 No Drapery F-105 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster highlights the russet surfaces of this No Drapery example. Swirling cartwheels swirl about the medium toning, and the in-hand appeal is strong. Obverse design elements are sharp, with distinct star points, while the reverse exhibits softness around STATES. F-105, with star 9 recut and no obvious reverse die markers. CAC notes 48 pieces in all grades, with 11 coins finer. The CAC guide value is \$1,580. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder with CAC approval.

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1840-O No Drapery F-109a 10C, PCGS MS61 CAC, Choice Original. This final No Drapery issue exhibits frosty luster that is strong for grade, showcasing the obverse slate gray and reverse olive-russet patina. F-109a, with star 1 close to the rock, star 9 repunched, and a die crack running from (AME)R(ICA) to the rim. CAC has approved 41 pieces in all grades, a lower total within the No Drapery subtype. While this piece is far from the rarest or highest graded within the Newtown Collection, it retains substantial foundational value, offering aesthetic appeal and relative rarity as an original example. The CAC guide value is \$9,600. Ex. Gerry Fortin Collection and purchased from GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1840 With Drapery F-101 10C, ANACS MS61, Choice Original. Sharp, reflective luster reveals intense green-rose patina under a light. Other Seated denominations also tend to come prooflike in these early years of production, and the reflective surfaces are not unusual for an early 1840s example. The strike is bold, with all elements distinctly rendered. F-101, the only die pair for this issue, with a downward sloping date. The Philadelphia Mint struck both No Drapery and With Drapery pieces in this year, and a single die pair for the latter issue is not especially surprising. Housed in an ANACS old white holder.



1840-O With Drapery F-101 10C, PCGS F15 CAC, Choice Original. This crusty example is near-perfect for the grade, with only a few lines of note across the central portion of Liberty. Natural coin gray color covers the original surfaces, with bits of steel-gray patina evident in the background. One might speculate as to the appeal of this coin to the Newtown collector, who clearly is more accustomed to operating at the Mint State level. The relative scarcity of original examples likely came into play, as CAC has approved only 32 pieces in all grades combined. Moreover, this is simply a pleasing example that collectors of all levels can appreciate. F-101, the only die pair for this issue. The CAC guide value is \$289. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.

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1841 F-110a 10C, PCGS MS66, Proof Dies, Gem Original. Steely, frosted luster imparts exceptionally active cartwheels that rotate vibrantly under a light source. Light splashes of maroon patina cover both sides atop the steel-gray fields, and the eye appeal is stunning. One is tempted to introduce a "Gem Plus" level to the GFRC rating system, but we'd prefer to simply let the coin speak for itself. F-110a, with a slight upward slope in the date. The reverse legend, which might appear sharp at first glance, is actually less lightly impressed than other 1841 dimes, which tend to exhibit deep relief in this portion of the design. CAC has approved 41 pieces in all grades; this piece is tied with two other coins for finest known at MS66. The CAC price guide value is \$7,500. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1841-O F-104 10C, PCGS MS62 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Ample, frosty luster flows from the fields of this early New Orleans piece. This example is minimally toned, with only light, smoky patina among the stars and legend. F-104, with a medium, level date and a die crack between (STAT)ES, while the mintmark tilts to the right. The CAC pop report notes 55 pieces in all grades with eight examples finer. The CAC price guide is \$1,500 in MS62. Purchased from GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder with CAC approval.



1842 F-105 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Screaming luster radiates from the surfaces this early Philadelphia dime, with original and complete Mint bloom easily evident. Indeed, apart from the natural toning, the coin remains virtually as struck. Bits of deep violet patina hug the rims, while Liberty exhibits even tan color in the central portion of the figure. This piece is tied for finest known with two other coins at CAC, while PCGS notes five pieces total in MS66 with none higher. The CAC price guide is \$6,000, which seems a good value for a finest known piece. This is not a case where a single MS66 is backed by a hundred MS65s, one of which might one day win an upgrade - to be sure there are five coins at the MS65 level, but even among all Mint State pieces the total remains minimal, with 19 coins so approved by CAC. F-105, with a medium level date and die crack connecting the right stem to the rim. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.

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1842-O F-101 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Gem Original. Bits of russet color grace surfaces that are evenly toned with light gold patina. Frosty luster is consistent with the assigned grade, and the in-hand eye appeal is compelling. The head and several leaves are softly struck, which is typical for the F-101 variety. CAC notes 59 pieces in all grades with six coins finer. The CAC guide value is \$5,250. Ex. Gerry Fortin collection and used as the plate coin for the Seated dime web-book. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder with CAC approval.



1843 F-102a 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Doubled Date, Gem Original. The 1843 F-102a is a distinct variety with extensive die cracks and is listed in the Top-100 Varieties as #25. Half dollars of 1843 similarly exhibit die cracks, and clearly the Philadelphia Mint experienced problems with die preparation and/or striking in this year. Regardless, this is one of the finest survivors of the issue. The CAC census notes five pieces in MS66 with none higher, while PCGS reports three coins in MS66, with a single piece finer at MS66+. Rich toning is evident on both sides, with aqua and maroon patina throughout. The northeast quadrant of the obverse, and the corresponding portion of the reverse, are more lightly shaded. This example is a PCGS Coin Facts plate coin. The CAC price guide is \$6,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.5 (2012-2013) holder with CAC approval.



1843-O-101 10C, PCGS VF30 CAC, Choice Original. The 1843-O is a well-known condition rarity within the Seated dime series, with examples becoming rare at the AU level and above. Indeed, the CAC report notes only two pieces in AU and another two coins at the Mint State level. This piece is perfect for the assigned grade, with pleasing violet-gray patina throughout. High points are more lightly shaded as expected, and the piece approaches "circulated cameo" status as lighter devices contrast with more deeply shaded fields. Prices continue to advance for this semi-key New Orleans issue, and bidder interest will be strong for this choice example. CAC has certified 26 pieces in all grades. The CAC guide value is \$2,250. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.5 (2012-2013) holder with CAC approval.

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1844 F-102 10C, NGC AU58 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Steely, frosted luster reflects silver and gray surfaces, with crusty bits present in the dentils. Light, smoky patina is additionally evident in the fields, more so on the reverse. F-102, the business strike die pair. CAC has approved 67 pieces in all grades, with only four coins at the Mint State level. The 1844 dime is perhaps the notorious issue in the series and has been subject to speculation since the 1930s. Frank C. Ross, Hobbies Magazine columnist, promoted the so-called "Little Orphan Annie" throughout the numismatic media until his passing in 1955. Later, the collector Terry Brand built a hoard of over 600 pieces, which was ultimately dispersed by Heritage Auctions over time. The CAC guide value is \$3,800. Housed in a newer NGC holder with CAC approval.



1844 F-102 10C, PCGS AU50 CAC, Gem Original. A picture is worth a thousand words, and a quick glance at the images reveals an exceptionally eye-appealing example. Rich blue-green rim toning surrounds the russet-gray figure of Liberty, while the reverse exhibits copper fields leading toward more intensely colored rims. All coins are on a continuum, and this example would place highly within a group of CAC-approved, AU50-graded Seated dimes. The CAC population is 67 coins, with five in the AU band and four at the Mint State level. The collector Terry Brand became fascinated with the "Little Orphan Annie" dime in the 1980s and began assembling one of the great Liberty Seated hoards of all time, which ended up consisting of over 600 examples of the 1844 dime. It is certain that few pieces in the Brand group possessed the eye appeal of the present coin. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.0 (1990-1993) green label holder with CAC approval.



1845 F-103a 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Gem Original, Steely luster imparts vibrant cartwheels, which activate easily under a light source. Liberty is framed by a pleasing ring of aqua and gold patina, with russet shades additionally present in the dentils. A splash of maroon color crosses the reverse, with copper hue evident at the rim. The eye appeal is every bit as strong as conveyed by the images and is certain that this piece will sell at a level above the CAC price guide (\$1,140). F-103, with repunching in the date and a die crack running from (AME)R(ICA) to the rim. This variety is included in the Top-100 list as #26. CAC has approved 41 pieces, with four coins higher. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1845-O F-101 10C, PCGS AU53, Choice Original. Gene Gardner enjoyed acquiring duplicates, and this piece resided in his collection along with the MS69 (not a typo) example of this date. While the MS69 piece is lightly toned, this piece is richly patinated in shades of electric violet, lilac, and copper-red. F-101a, with a die crack extending from the R in AMERICA toward the rim. A few lines in the right obverse field preclude CAC certification. The 1845-O is an important condition rarity in the Seated dime series, and the PCGS population rapidly decreases as one advances from EF (28 pieces) to AU (16 coins), to MS (three examples). The CAC guide value is \$4,200. Ex. Gardner, Lemus (Stack's, 10/18/2005, lot 583). Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder.



1845-o F-101a 10C, PCGS VF30 CAC, Choice Original. After an initial burst at the beginning of the series, production of dimes in New Orleans decreased substantially during the 1840s. In 1845, the Mint produced 230,000 pieces, and high-grade survivors are rare. This crusty VF30 example exhibits silver-gray patina with a blue-green color present at the rims. Subtle maroon shading is additionally evident within the wreath. F-101a, with a high-level date and a die crack running from (AME)R(ICA) to the rim. CAC has certified 41 pieces, with 14 at the EF level and higher. As prices advance quickly at the EF and AU level, the present piece represents an optimal collector grade. The CAC guide value is \$936. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1846 F-101 10C, PCGS EF45 CAC, Choice Original. The 1846 is well-known as a key issue in the Seated dime series, with a low mintage of 31,300 pieces. This example is nicely struck, with distinct star points and strong leaf detail. Deeper steel-gray centers are surrounded by cloudy copper color at the rims, and the aesthetic appeal is compelling. F-101, the business strike dies, with a defect in 6. CAC notes 46 pieces in all grades, with only three coins finer than the present example. With the CAC price guide nearly doubling between EF45 and AU50, this is the best example one can hope to acquire without venturing into five-figure range. The CAC guide value is \$5,250. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1847 F-101 10C, PCGS AU55, Date Overlaps Base, Gem Original. Steely luster underlies the surfaces of this appealing Philadelphia piece. Brilliant, silver color in the original fields contrasts with deep chocolate patina at the high points, with additional blue-green hue evident beneath the wreath. F-101, with the date overlapping the base and flash patterns surrounding the bow knot. The logotype is oversized and likely matches the date appearing on quarter dollars in this year. Although no guarantee is made, we believe this piece is consistent with CAC standards. The CAC guide value is \$780, while PCGS notes a value of \$250 in EF and \$1,750 in MS60. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.



1848 F-101a 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster imparts dancing cartwheels atop the original surfaces of this Philadelphia example. A splash of light coffee patina is evident on both sides. All elements are deeply impressed, and this piece nicely reveals the higher relief that often characterizes Liberty Seated coinage in the 1840s. F-101a, with the date sloping downward, and a prominent reverse die crack within the legend at (ST)AT(ES). CAC has approved two coins higher, both at MS65. Apart from the fact that this is the near-finest known example at CAC, one must also consider the absolute rarity, with only 21 CAC-approved coins across all grades. The CAC guide value is \$3,600. Ex. Gerry Fortin. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder.



1849 F-103 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Choice Original. Soft, frosted luster hides beneath thick skin, with bits of original silver color scattered about, more so on the reverse. Toning is mixed silver-gray, with colorful patina evident at the rims. F-103, with a high, thick date and a die crack across the ribbon. CAC notes 24 pieces in all grades, with eight examples finer. The CAC price guide is \$1,280, and, while this coin may not be available at that price, this remains an ideal collector choice, with MS64 pieces valued at \$3,600. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.

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1849-O F-104 10C, PCGS EF45 CAC, Choice Original. Thick, obverse toning inhibits the luster of this EF45 example, while the reverse exhibits steely, mirrored surfaces. Deep gold patina outlines the design elements on both sides, contrasting with the charcoal-gray fields. The overall effect is pleasing, and the original surfaces merit the CAC designation. F-104, with repunched digits and a die crack extending from (AMER)C(A) to the rim. CAC reports 36 pieces in all grades, with nine pieces across the AU/MS bands. The CAC guide value is \$702. Note, reverse scratches are on the holder. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.5 (2012-2013) holder with CAC approval.



1850 F-103 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. This pleasing example was the frontline coin in the Gardner collection and is exceeded only by two pieces at CAC, both in MS65. Gardner searched carefully but was unsuccessful in acquiring a nicer piece, even with a virtually unlimited checkbook. This frosty coin exhibits above average luster for an MS64 and reveals mixed russet and maroon patina scattered across both sides, more intensely on the reverse. F-103, with the date punched into the base, and flashing surrounding the bow. The CAC population is 37 pieces in all grades combined. The CAC guide value is \$1,150. Ex. Gardner, acquired from David Lawrence in 2007. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.



1850-O F-105 10C, PCGS EF45 CAC, Near-Gem Original. This is a crusty example that is perfect for the grade, with a high degree of originality. Design elements are neatly outlined by lighter color, while the fields are more deeply shaded with charcoal and gray patina. The highest points retain minimal color, precisely as expected for a circulated piece with well-preserved surfaces. F-105, with a high, level date, vertical die line from star 2 to the rim, and a large mintmark tilting slightly left. The CAC population is 24 pieces in all grades, with nine coins finer. The CAC price guide suggests a value of \$546 in EF45. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1851 F-103 10C, PCGS MS64, Choice Original. Steely, frosted luster is easily evident, but not quite sufficient to achieve CAC certification. This piece is richly toned, with even lilac and violet patina underlaying bits of pumpkin and lemon-gold color at the rims. Production of dimes in this year was substantial, over a million pieces, but many were no doubt melted as silver became more valuable in relation in gold, which was a result of massive discoveries of the yellow metal in the western United States. F-103, with a high date descending downward, and die flashing around the ribbon loops. The PCGS population report indicates 13 pieces in MS64, with seven examples finer. The PCGS price guide value is \$2,500 in MS64. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder.



1851-O F-101 10C, PCGS AU55 CAC, Choice Original. Brilliant, frosted luster highlights a burst of russet and electric blue patina at the rims, and the eye appeal is exceptional. With close inspection, luster is reflective under a light source. F-101, the only die pair for this issue. This is a later die state, with heavy polishing evident on the obverse. CAC notes 15 pieces in all grades, a remarkably low number, with only a single coin higher at MS61. The CAC price guide is \$1,800, but this is a strong example for the grade that will likely sell at a higher level. Ex. Saw Mill Run Collection, a noted GFRC consignor with a discerning eye for pleasing, original pieces. This is a good place to mention that GFRC consignor galleries are accessible via the "Galleries" link on the home page. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.



1852 F-108 10C, PCGS MS65+ CAC, Gem Original. This piece is more pleasing in-hand than the images convey, with stone original surfaces that require in-person inspection to fully appreciate. Splashes of russet and olive color surround silver and gray-toned centers, and the overall look is exceptional. The strike is complete, with full head and ribbon detail. F-108, with a high, level date, die cracks at star 9, and a die defect at the right upstroke of (DI)M(E). CAC notes 39 pieces in all grades, with seven coins finer. The existence of seven CAC-approved examples above the Gem MS level is an anomaly within the Seated dime series, particularly in the 1840s and 1850s, but this has the benefit of making the present coin available at a lower price point. The CAC guide value is \$2,250. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1852-O F-101 10C, PCGS AU53 CAC, Choice Original. This New Orleans piece is perfect for the grade, with near smooth surfaces and pleasing toning. Lighter, rose-toned central devices host tan, charcoal, and gray patina in the fields, while the stars are uniformly outlined by original silver color. The remaining luster is steely and frosty. F-101, the only obverse die for the 1852-O dime, with a reverse die line running from (ON)E to the wreath. CAC has approved 23 pieces in all grades, with 13 coins finer. The CAC price guide value is \$889. The abundance of low-population issues in the Newtown collection is remarkable, and this particular piece falls squarely into the "collector coin" price range. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1853 No Arrows F-101a 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC OGH, Gem Original. This exceptional gem reveals glowing, satiny luster, which is characteristic for high-grade examples of this No Arrows issue. The strike is pinpoint sharp, with boldly rendered elements throughout. An even wash of peach patina covers both sides, and the eye appeal is outstanding. F-101a (#34 in the Top-100 Varieties), with a strong die clash to the right of Liberty, while the reverse exhibits die erosion above AMERICA. CAC notes 35 pieces total, with three coins finer. The CAC price guide value is \$5,400. It is difficult for this cataloger to identify a favorite coin within the Newtown consignment, but this piece has to be near the top. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.1 (1993-1998) green label holder with CAC approval.



1853 With Arrows 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. With the Coinage Act of 1853, the supply of silver to the Mint increased dramatically, and the production of dimes grew nearly tenfold in this year. As such, there is a good supply of high-grade survivors, and the CAC population report notes 18 pieces in MS66 with eight pieces finer. This example exhibits frosted luster with moderate cartwheels. Thick toning reveals mixed shades of emerald, maroon, and cobalt blue on both sides. With the addition of arrows at the date, this issue is popular among Liberty Seated and type collectors alike. The CAC guide value is \$3,150. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1853-O With Arrows F-102 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Light gold shading blankets both sides of this lustrous With Arrows example. Cartwheels easily rotate as the coin is tilted under a light, and the eye appeal is compelling. The 1853 Coinage Act mandated a slight reduction in the weight of silver coinage, in order to modify its value in relation to the gold coinage. The legislation was immediately successful, restoring widespread circulation of silver coins. Arrows were placed at the date from 1853 to 1855 signifying the lower weight of the coins. This is a well-struck example, with some softness in the head and reverse bow knot. F-102, with an even date and large, thin mintmark. CAC has approved only four MS pieces in all grades combined, with this example the sole finest CAC-certified coin. The PCGS census notes two pieces at MS64 and only one higher, at MS66. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder with CAC approval. The CAC price guide value is \$8.250. Ex. Branch Mint Collection, and previously from the Kennywood Collection (ANR 1/2005, lot 356, realized \$10,925).



1854 With Arrows 10C, PCGS MS65+ CAC, Gem Original. Thick, frosted luster is abundant on both sides of this With Arrows piece, more so than is typically seen at the AU53 level. Dimes of this year often come softly struck, which is evident here in the head, stars, legend, and bow. Maroon, tan, and navy patina mix on the obverse, while the reverse reveals a brilliant center surrounded by light gold and burgundy color. CAC has approved 54 pieces in all grades. Despite the greater availability of the 1853 With Arrows issue, the 1853 and 1854 With Arrows coins are priced similarly - here is an opportunity. The CAC guide value is \$242. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.



1854-O With Arrows F-101 10C, PCGS MS64+ CAC, Gem Original. Thick, satiny luster showcases a subtle spray of maroon patina in the fields, while the rims reveal more intense color. The flash is considerable, and easily approaches the MS66 level. Star points are distinct, and the leaf detail is full. F-101, with a very high date, and a reverse die crack connecting (O)F to the rim. CAC has certified a single piece at MS65, with two coins finer. While this coin should rightfully be evaluated as a Gem example, it is worth noting that the overall CAC population is 29 pieces, a remarkably low figure given the mintage of over a million coins. The CAC guide value is \$4,880. Ex. Tom Bender Collection, purchased from GFRC by the Newtown consignor. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1855 With Arrows Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS65, Gem Original. Steely luster and vibrant cartwheels grace the surfaces of this With Arrows example. The obverse exhibits a splash of sea-green patina, while bits of original steel-gray color are present here and there. The only mark of note is a field tick inside of star 5. The strike is all there, with completely full head and bow detail. PCGS notes five pieces in MS65, with nine coins higher. This represents the final year of the With Arrows type, and, following the massive production spike in 1853, mintages fell considerably. The CAC guide value is \$3,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1856 Large Date F-104 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Choice Original. Russet and sea-green patina mixes on the obverse of this Large Date example, while the reverse is less intensely toned. The strike is soft, with star points present if not fully sharp. A few lines in the left obverse field are noted. F-104, with digits touching the base, while the reverse die is perfect with no distinguishing characteristics. Philadelphia pieces of this date come with both large and small dates, while the branch Mint obverse dies all featured small digit punches. This piece is tied with two other coins for finest-known at CAC, which reports 24 pieces in all grades. The CAC guide value is \$4,500. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1856 Small Date F-116 10C, PCGS MS65+ CAC, Gem Original. Throw out the price guide on this piece, as it is certainly to sell for substantially more than the suggested CAC value of \$2,550. Brilliant, frosted luster fills the centers of each side, both of which lead toward pleasing rim toning. Russet crescents surround the figure of Liberty, while the wreath is framed by a ring of maroon and intense blue-green color. The strike is full, and the overall eye appeal is superb. The CAC population is seven pieces in MS65, with five coins finer. Ex. Tom Bender Collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.5 (2012-2013) holder with CAC approval.

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1856-O F-108a 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. The partially mirrored, reflective luster of the New Orleans piece is consistent with many proofs, and, while we do not present this example as a branch Mint proof, it is worth noting that a single 1856-O \$20 has been so certified by PCGS. Rich evergreen patina mixes with lilac color on the obverse of this piece, while the reverse reveals blue-green and gray patina throughout. F-108a, with upward sloping date, die cracks at the head, and intricately defined lower wreath die cracks. This piece resides atop the CAC census, tied with one other coin. CAC notes 32 pieces in all grades. The CAC guide value is \$7,500. This piece is ex. Gardner, purchased by him from Stack's December 1998 sale, lot 1257. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.0 (1998-2002) holder with CAC approval.



1856-S F-101a 10C, PCGS MS62 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Brilliant, frosty luster radiates from both sides of this conditionally rare San Francisco piece. Subtle russet patina is present on both sides, more so toward the rims. The San Francisco Mint struck 70,000 pieces in this year, and original, Mint State survivors are rare. F-101a, the only die pair for this issue. The CAC population across all grades is 17 pieces, with five coins higher. Ex. Gerry Fortin, purchased earlier from the Frog Run sale (ANR, November 30-December 1, 2004, lot 584, \$13,800) and included in the Seated Dime web-book as a plate coin. This piece is yet another prize from the Newtown consignor, and Seated dime specialists will appreciate the challenge of locating early branch Mint dimes at the Mint State level. The CAC price guide is \$12,000. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.1 (1993-1998) green label holder with CAC approval.



1857 F-104 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Steely, granular luster hosts lilac patina on both sides, with additional shades of blue-green and gold evident on the obverse. The dynamic cartwheels are active and above average for the grade. Both sides reveal die polish, an effect also present on quarters of this year. F-104, although the die chips at stars 3-6 are not present as this portion of the coin is softly struck. The CAC population is 44 in all grades, and this example is tied for finest-known with three other MS66 coins. The CAC guide value is \$3,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.

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1857-O F-107a 10C, NGC MS67 CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, steely luster imparts dancing cartwheels, and the eye appeal is off the charts. Dappled, midnight blue patina graces both sides, with splashes of original silver color evident underneath. Hints of lilac hue are evident within the shield and wreath. The strike is complete with sharp stairs and strong bow detail. F-107a, with a die crack connecting the rock and rim. This piece is tied for finest-known at CAC with one other coin. CAC has graded 51 examples in all grades. Purchased from GFRC and previously from the James Stack collection (Stack's, January 1990, lot 113, realized a strong \$25,300). This coin truly has it all - exceptional eye appeal, superior technical grade, and provenance among the finest collections. Examples from the Gardner collection are infrequently exceeded, but in the case the bragging rights easily go to this MS67 piece, which supersedes the Gardner coin (MS66) in both grade and eye appeal. The CAC guide value is \$8,250, and the GFRC sales archive notes a sale price of \$8,500 in August 2018. Housed in a NGC Gen 4 (1989-1991) no line brown label Fatty holder with CAC approval.



1857-O F-106 10C, PCGS MS64, Choice Original. Satiny luster radiates from both sides of this lightly toned New Orleans piece. Misty streaks of coffee patina traverse the obverse, while the reverse reveals a fine spray of maroon color. Nicely struck, with solid detail in the head and bow. F-106, with a medium level date and weak dentils to the southeast, as well as the corresponding northeast quadrant of the reverse. PCGS notes 31 pieces in MS64 with 28 coins finer. The PCGS price guide is \$1,100. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.



1858 F-107 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Doubled Die Obverse, Near-Gem Original. Frosted luster is somewhat muted beneath medium skin, which reveals attractive rose and sea-green patina. The reverse is more lightly colored, with shades of evergreen hue at the rim. F-107, with a downward sloping date and shield doubling, which is evident to the southeast. Die clashing is present behind ME on the reverse. The bow is softly impressed, while the head is slightly sharper. CAC notes 28 coins in all grades, with four pieces in MS64 and five coins higher. The CAC price guide value is \$1,040. Ex. D.L. Hansen, and so noted on the label. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1858-O F-101 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Near Gem Original. Tight, granular, frosted luster reveals moderate cartwheels as this piece is tilted under a light. Centers exhibit chestnut and tan patina, leading toward lighter toning at the rim. The overall look is strong for the grade and the CAC certification is easily warranted. This issue is typically encountered with a weakly struck reverse, but this piece retains decent detail in the bow and is better than usually seen. F-101, the only die pair for this issue, with a downward sloping date. CAC notes five pieces in MS63, with five coins higher, and 29 examples across all grades. The CAC price guide value is \$2,620. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1858-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Choice Original. This deeply original piece exhibits thick, crusty gray patina with a few lighter shades evident outside the wreath. Splashes of russet and olive patina cover both sides, more heavily on the obverse. F-101, with an upward sloping date and the mintmark tilted slightly to the right. Nicely struck, with a full head. The CAC census notes 25 pieces in all grades, one piece in MS63, and a single example finer at MS66 (the Bender coin, previously from Gene Gardner). The PCGS census reports two coins at MS63 in addition to the single MS66 piece. This is a coin that simply must be viewed in-hand to appreciate the strict originality of this near-finest known piece. The CAC guide value is \$17,300. Ex. Tom Bender Collection and sold as a duplicate after he acquired the Gardner coin. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1859 F-107 10C, PCGS MS67 CAC, Gem Original. Thick, frosted luster bursts forth from the surfaces of this Superb Gem, and the flash is exceptional. Light russet shades are evident on both sides, evenly and more so on the reverse. The strike is strongly impressed, with the stars seemingly popping out of the planchet. F-107, with die chips around the stars to the left. CAC has approved ten pieces in MS67, with a single coin finer. A number of the MS67 pieces are from this same die pair, suggesting that a group from the original striking was preserved together for some amount of time. The CAC price guide value is \$8,250. Ex. Woodlands Collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1859-O F-104 10C, PCGS MS65+ CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster creates swirling cartwheels atop the surfaces of this New Orleans piece. The obverse is largely untoned, while the reverse exhibits a ring of mottled russet patina at the rim. The bright light reflectance is stunning, and the images do not completely convey the in-hand eye appeal. Nicely struck, with the contours of the head fully defined. F-104, with die chips around the stars and a reverse die crack to the left of D(IME). This issue represents the final year of production prior to the introduction of the With Motto obverse. CAC notes four pieces in MS65 (the CAC census does not recognize plus grades), with seven coins higher. The CAC price guide value is \$2,700. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1859-S F-101, PCGS VF35, Original. The presence of a VF coin in a high-grade set might seem an anomaly until one realizes the condition rarity of the 1859-S, especially in higher grades. The PCGS census recognizes only three Mint State pieces, with nine coins present across the AU bands. This is a crusty example with thick charcoal toning on both sides, while the devices are neatly outlined by thin bands of gold patina. Some of the interior star detail remains, with high point wear otherwise consistent with the grade. F-101, the only die pair for this issue. Note, a few scuffs are on the holder. The CAC guide value is \$2,250. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder.



1860-S F-102 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Choice Original. Steely gray surfaces underlay mottled russet patina, with additional shades of gold color evident on the reverse. The fields are perfectly original and hairline-free, while the overall flash is consistent with the assigned grade. F-102, with the date punched to the left, much closer to the tip of the shield than the F-101. The CAC census indicates 33 pieces total, with three coins at MS63 and four examples finer. The PCGS report is not far behind, with five coins noted at MS63 and four pieces higher. The CAC guide value is \$9,900. Uncirculated examples of Liberty Seated branch Mint pieces prior to the 1870s are typically challenging, as collectors of the period cared little about mintmarks. Certain branch Mint issues are completely unknown in Mint State, while others, such as the present coin, are numbered in the single digits. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.2 (2004) holder with CAC approval.

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1860 F-112 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Partially mirrored with incredible reflectance, this coin possesses "the look" favored by many collectors, with brilliant centers surrounded by pleasing rim toning. Deep shades of russet and electric blue patina frame the exceptionally frosty central figures, and the eye appeal is stunning. F-112, with die polish through STATES and DIMES. This is the Seated Dime web-book plate coin. CAC notes seven pieces in MS66 and two coins higher, both at MS67. Disregard the CAC price guide of \$1,720, as this coin will sell for considerably more. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1860-O F-101 10C, PCGS VF35 CAC, Choice Original. The 1860-O issue represents a well-known key date within the Liberty Seated dime series, with a minimal production of 40,000 pieces. Even low-grade pieces are highly desirable, and the present piece resides remarkably high in the CAC census, which indicates 26 pieces in all grades and just eight coins at EF40 and higher. This is a crusty example that exhibits gray-toned fields, which contrast nicely with lighter shades at the high points. F-101, the only variety for the 1860-O dime. These coins wore hard, and original survivors are rare. The CAC price guide value is \$4,500. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1861 Type 1 Obverse F-103 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster booms from the largely untuned surfaces of this Legend Obverse example. Swirling cartwheels highlight a few flecks of charcoal patina, and the overall flash is easily consistent with the near-Superb Gem technical grade. F-103, with the date and ONE DIME lightly impressed. CAC notes four pieces at MS66 with none higher. The introduction of new hubs beginning in 1859 solved some striking issues and created others. The bow knot is now nicely detailed, but the stalk to the upper left is soft. Regardless, the exceptional luster is easily the first focal point of this appealing Philadelphia piece. The CAC price guide value is \$3,000. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1861-S F-102 10C, PCGS MS62, Choice Original. Brilliant, frosted luster hosts the barest hints of lemon-yellow and russet toning, while moderate cartwheels are consistent with the MS62 designation. This is a semi-key issue, produced to the extent of 172,500 pieces. As is typical, uncirculated examples of early San Francisco pieces are challenging, with 11 total Mint State pieces reported by PCGS. At the MS62 level, PCGS notes three examples with five pieces finer. F-102, with the first 1 in the date centered over two dentils. The PCGS price guide gives a value of \$6,000 in MS60 and \$22,500 in MS63. Uncirculated branch Mint pieces are among the most desirable examples within the Liberty Seated series, and the condition rarity of this piece will create significant interest. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.



1862 F-101a 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. Steely, frosted luster delivers excellent bright light reflectance, highlighting colorful rims and fields. Blue-green and gold centers lead toward russet patina at the rims, and the look is pleasing. Some strike weakness is evident at the head and the bow knot at the corresponding part of the reverse. Two short lines in the lower left obverse field are the only marks of note. F-101a, with a die line at shield stripes 11 and 12. The CAC reports eight pieces at MS65 with 13 coins higher, and a price guide value of \$1,080 in MS65. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1862-S F-101 10C, PCGS EF40 CAC, Choice Original. This crusty example exhibits rich gold and maroon patina, with deeper color evident at the head and upper portions of the wreath. Scattered bits of dirt are present in the protected areas and serve to partially outline the design elements. Early San Francisco dimes are conditionally challenging, and even an EF example is surprisingly advanced in the census. The CAC population report indicates 18 pieces in all grades, with six coins finer. F-101, with an upward sloping low date and a die defect to the right of the shield. The CAC price guide value is \$1,280. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.

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1863 F-101a 10C, PCGS MS63, Near-Gem Original. The fields of this Civil War piece exhibit brilliant mirrors, which exaggerate the micro-chatter that is otherwise consistent with the grade. Faint gold toning is present on both sides, more evenly on the reverse. F-101a, with a downward sloping date and die defect in O(NE) at the upper right. The head detail is present, if not textured. PCGS notes ten pieces in MS63, with 23 coins higher. With 36 years of operation at the west coast grading service, these numbers no doubt reflect substantial duplication. The PCGS price guide is \$5,000. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.5 (2012-2013) holder.



1863-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS64, Choice Original. Brilliant, frosted luster turns creamy white under a bright light, revealing silver-gray surfaces with scattered charcoal color at the rims. This example is near-finest known, with PCGS noting three pieces in MS64, and three coins higher, all at MS65. The head is slightly soft, but well above average, as a comparison with the Newtown AU53 CAC example will readily demonstrate. F-101, the only die pair for the 1863-S dime, with faint clashing beneath DIME. The near-finest known status of this piece should be appreciated in the context of its overall condition rarity. This is not a typical Morgan dollar situation, where a hundred MS63 pieces are waiting in the wings. Indeed, PCGS has graded only 14 Mint State pieces across all grades. Ex. GFRC. The PCGS price guide value is \$15,000. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.



1863-S F-101 10C, PCGS AU53 CAC, Near-Gem Original. The frosted luster of this San Francisco piece is exceptional for the grade, showcasing tan and rose patina on both sides. Vibrant cartwheels are above average for an AU53 piece, and the overall eye appeal is consistent with the CAC designation. Bits of dirt cling to protected areas, especially within the wreath. The strike is typical, with a soft head and bow. F-101, the only variety, with a downward sloping date. CAC reports 27 pieces in all grades, with ten examples finder. The CAC value is \$1,650. Housed in PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.

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1864 F-102a 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Lightly mirrored, reflective luster penetrates the thick colorful toning of this Civil War piece. Aqua and russet patina predominate, with neon shades additionally present above the figure of Liberty. F-101a, with a defect at the upper right of O(NE), the same reverse die as used in 1863. Clashing is evident beneath DIME. This piece is tied for finest known at CAC with three other pieces. The overall CAC population is 24 pieces, and the CAC price guide is \$7,200. Ex. GFRC. This piece represents yet another exceptional gem from the Newtown consignor, a pedigree that will long be remembered among Seated dime specialists. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1864-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC OGH, Gem Original. Brilliant frost luster imparts swirling cartwheels atop the surfaces of this conditionally challenging San Francisco piece. A few flecks of charcoal patina grace surfaces that reveal hints of subtle maroon shading. The head and bow knot are somewhat soft, a typical occurrence for this issue, as noted in the Greer reference. F-101, the only variety for this issue, with a small mintmark. The CAC population is 23 pieces with only one example finer, at MS66. The 1860s San Francisco pieces are difficult to acquire in Mint State grades, and CAC has certified just five coins as such. The CAC price guide is \$15,800. Ex. California collection, via GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.0 (1990-1993) green label holder with CAC approval.



1865 F-101a 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Swirling cartwheels emanate from the steely, frosted luster of this low-mintage, Civil War piece. Russet centers lead toward electric blue patina at the rims, and the eye appeal is exceptional. Some strike weakness is evident at the left ribbon and adjacent leaf. F-101a, with the loop of a 6 in between 8 and 6. CAC notes four pieces in MS66 and six coins finer, all at MS67. Mint State pieces are more desirable than proofs for this date, an unusual situation that sometimes occurs within the Liberty Seated series. A quick look at the population figures immediately explains the situation - CAC has approved 13 Mint State pieces, whereas proofs come in at 23 coins total. The CAC price guide value is \$8,250. Ex. Gerry Fortin collection, purchased by GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.

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1865-S F-103 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Creamy, frosted luster produces moderate cartwheels on the surfaces of this well-struck piece. Fields are untuned apart from a few bits of crust. Certain issues are notorious for weak strikes, and the 1865-S often comes with a flat head. Not so here! Liberty exhibits individual braids and substantial texture in the profile, a pleasing exception to the striking quality typically seen. F-103, with repunching in the 5 and a diagonal line through O(NE). CAC has approved two coins in MS63, with a single example at MS64 and one piece at MS65. The CAC guide value is \$15,800. Ex. GFRC, not surprising as Gerry Fortin is a stickler for strong strikes. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1866 F-102b 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. This no-question business strike piece reveals full mint bloom throughout, with lightly mirrored fields. Devices are exceptional frosty and contrast with the reflective surfaces. Both sides are nearly untuned, with only a few bits of smoky patina evident. F-102b, with reverse die clashing, most evident beneath DIME. The business strike designation is critical for this coin, as Mint State pieces are substantially more challenging than proof examples. Nicely struck, with near-full head detail, and the overall eye appeal is excellent. This piece resides atop the CAC census, tied with five other coins. The CAC population in all grades is 22 pieces. Ex. Woodlands and Cold Quarters collections, purchased via GFRC. The CAC price guide is \$4,880. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1866-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Choice Original. Frosty luster accompanies light toning, and the overall look is most appealing. Delicate gold and maroon patina blankets both sides, and the hairline-free fields easily merit the CAC designation. The strike is all there, with a full head and definition within the bow knot. F-101, with a downward sloping date and small, weak mintmark. CAC has approved one piece at MS63, two coins at MS64, and two pieces at MS65. Ex. GFRC. The CAC price guide value is \$9,000, not inexpensive, but, given the aesthetic qualities of the present coin, one might well prefer this example to one of the MS64 pieces. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.

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1867 F-102 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Rich evergreen and aqua patina fills the fields of this low-mintage piece, produced to the extent of only 6,000 pieces. Surfaces are lightly mirrored, and the die clashing in the obverse fields confirms the business strike designation. Collectors of the 19th century generally preferred proofs, but the situation evolved as numismatists began to appreciate the differences between proofs and Mint State pieces. With the census data available to today's collectors, it is clear that Mint State pieces are decidedly more desirable. This is a nicely struck example, with a completely full head and definition in the bow knot. F-102, with a downward sloping date and die doubling to the right of the wreath. CAC has certified eight pieces in MS66 and four higher, all at MS67. The CAC guide value is \$6,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1867-S F-102 10C, PCGS MS62, Choice Original. Steely, frosted luster produces vibrant cartwheels atop the surfaces of this semi-key San Francisco piece. Russet patina inhabits the left portion of each side, while lilac shades are present to the right. The strike is soft, with flatness evident at the head. F-102, with a high date and die defect in the upper left portion of (DI)M(E). The San Francisco Mint struck 140,000 pieces in this year, and Mint State survivors are few. PCGS notes a single piece in MS62 and eight coins finer, the highest at MS65. The PCGS price guide is \$3,500 in MS60 and \$6,000 in MS63. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.



1868 F-101 10C, PCGS MS64, Near-Gem Original. Thick, frosted luster covers the untuned fields, with only a bit of smoky patina evident at the date. Bright surfaces suggest an old dipping, precluding CAC consideration, but the coin remains well within the PCGS standard. The strike is excellent, with a full head and sharp sprigs within the wreath. F-101, with die clashing behind the date and circular lathe lines evident within the central figure. Lathe lines are unusual on 19th century coinage and clearly point a finger at the engraver, who normally would have smoothed these out before submitting the die to the coiner. PCGS has approved 15 coins in MS64 with 11 pieces finer. The PCGS price guide value is \$1,500. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.

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1868-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Frosted luster with vibrant cartwheels highlights delicate lilac patina on both sides, with hints of gold color additionally evident. The strike is perfectly solid with rich detail in the ribbon. F-101, the only die pair for the issue, without the reverse strike doubling seen in later die states. This coin is tied for finest known at CAC with four other pieces. CAC has approved 17 pieces in all grades. The CAC price guide value is \$5,250, a remarkably low price for a piece that is not only tied for finest known but is also scarce in an absolute sense. The sale of this example may well cause CAC to reconsider their stated value. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1869 F-105a 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Long Flag 1, Gem Original. Swirling cartwheels radiate from the brilliant, steely-frosted luster of this Premium Gem example. Brilliant centers lead toward russet and maroon patina the rims, and the eye appeal is compelling. F-105a, with an upward sloping date and die defects in the shield. This variety exhibits long serifs on the 1, which clearly extend further to the left than on the "short flag" varieties. The strike is a touch soft at the head and bow knot. CAC notes three examples in MS66 and three coins finer, all at MS67. The CAC guide price is \$5,620 - an attractive value given the near finest-known status. Ex. Woodlands collection, via GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1869-S F-102 10C, PCGS MS65, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster hosts delicate shades of gold patina that blankets both sides. The eye appeal is exceptional, and the GFRC Gem rating is no accident. F-102, the Web-book plate coin, with a long flag 1 and a small mintmark that tilts to the right. The head of Liberty is typically weak on 1869-S dimes, but is reasonably detailed on this example, with softness only at the high points. The PCGS census notes nine pieces in MS65 with six examples finer. Diagonal roller marks on the obverse, as struck, are noted. The PCGS price guide is \$4,000. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.1 (1993-1998) green label holder.

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1869-S F-102 10C, PCGS AU55 CAC, Choice Original. Coin-grey fields lead toward lighter rims that host silver patina in the protected areas. A scatter of crust is evident on both sides, within the figure of Liberty as well as the wreath. Surfaces are hairline-free, and this is a wholesome example. F-102, with high date, long flag 1, and a small, thin mintmark. The CAC population is 27 pieces in all grades, and the CAC price guide is \$715. Ex. Yosemite Collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1870 F-105 10C, PCGS MS64, Choice Original. Thick, creamy luster imparts moderate cartwheels, revealing evergreen patina in the fields, while protected areas in the legend and wreath are less intensely shaded. The strike is typical, with some softness in the upper left stalk. F-105, with a medium level date and doubling at O(NE). Note, the diagonal line to the left of DIME represents a die scratch, as struck. The PCGS census reports 23 pieces in MS64 and 17 coins higher. The PCGS price guide is \$1,500. Ex. Birmingham Collection, via GFRC. Housed in PCGS Gen 4.0 (1998-2002) holder.



1870-S, PCGS EF40 10C, Near Choice Original. The 1870-S is an overlooked issue within the Liberty Seated dime series, struck to the extent of only 50,000 pieces. The PCGS census is illuminating in this regard, reporting 115 pieces in all grades, while the more highly valued 1885-S comes in at 137 coins total. This is a semi-crusty example with olive and gray patina scattered over both sides. The strike is typical, with much of the wreath detail flat. Roller lines across the shield are as struck. As Liberty Seated collectors like to say, there is no substitute for rarity, and the population data solidly backs up the challenging nature of this scarce issue. The PCGS price guide value is \$1,250. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder.

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1871 F-102a 10C, PCGS MS63, Choice Original. Steely, mirrored fields produce strong, in-hand reflectance under a light. Sea-green fields host russet patina at the obverse rim, while the reverse reveals uniform evergreen color. The eye appeal is strong, and this is a choice piece. F-102a, with a die crack connecting the ribbon ends. The PCGS population is 99 pieces in all grades, a remarkably low total when one considers that the 1871-CC comes in 77 coins total. Note, this coin has not been attempted at CAC. The PCGS guide value is \$650. Ex. Birmingham Collection, via GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder.



1871-CC F-101 10C, PCGS VF35, Original. Gray fields admit lighter color in the protected areas of this evenly toned Carson City rarity. The uniform color suggests retoning after an old cleaning, but the originality remains within the PCGS standard. Some micro-chatter is evident in the fields. F-101, the only dies for this issue. The PCGS population is 77 coins in all grades, with a price guide value of \$13,500 in VF30 and \$20,000 in EF40. The four early Carson City pieces (1871-1874) in the Liberty Seated dime series are well-known as the series keys. Among circulated pieces, the 1874-CC stands atop the group in terms of rarity, while the 1871-CC and 1873-CC are roughly tied for the next highest honors. The present coin is superior to most of the examples one will see on a bourse floor, straight graded and free of the typical surface porosity seen on early CC dimes. Note, the holder is well worn and reveals some haze. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder.



1871-S F-102 10C, PCGS MS64, Choice Original. Swirling cartwheels are evident as this piece is tilted under a light, revealing fiery brilliant luster. Pleasing maroon patina frames lighter centers, and the eye appeal is strong. Although an original piece, a few obverse field marks preclude CAC approval. Nicely struck, with sharp definition in the bow and ribbon. F-102, with a small mintmark tilting right. PCGS notes six pieces in MS64 and three coins higher. The PCGS price guide value is \$6,000. Ex. Gene Gardner, who was no stranger to duplicates, and also owned an MS65 example of this issue. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder.

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1872 F-112 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Choice Original. Thick, frosted luster accompanies moderate cartwheels, revealing scattered crust in the fields. Light gold and maroon patina is evident at the rims. F-112, with the date punched low, and reverse die lines in the lower right wreath. The bow knot is somewhat soft. CAC has approved just 20 coins in all grades. A check of the GFRC sales archive indicates that a CAC-approved example of this date is only available, on average, about twice per year. Note, reverse haze is on the holder. The CAC value is \$351, but, with few CAC examples available, this piece will likely sell for more. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1872-CC F-101 10C, PCGS VF35 CAC, Near-Gem Original. CAC stickers on the rare CC dates are frustratingly hard to obtain, and this piece nicely illustrates the quality required to achieve the "green bean." Pleasing color and surfaces greet the viewer, with russet and gold patina at the rims, which in turn frames blue-green shades at the centers. High points exhibit lighter silver color, while bits of crust are evident in the protected areas. A few obverse field ticks are noted, none inconsistent with the technical grade. CAC has approved 15 pieces in all grades. F-101, the only die pair for this issue. This is a later state, with the well-known die crack through CC starting to form. The CAC price guide is \$9,000. This coin represents a compelling combination of rarity and aesthetic appeal and will draw considerable interest - as it should! Ex. Under Construction Collection, via GFRC. Housed in PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1872-s F-101 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Choice Original. Steely mirrors reveal brilliant reflectance as this piece is tilted under a light. The toning is exquisite, with bands of maroon and electric blue patina at the obverse rim, while the silver-lilac shade inside the wreath leads toward blue-green and gold color within the leaves and stalks. Well-struck, with a near-full head and a split bow knot. F-101, with a circular die crack around the obverse and a small block-S mintmark. The CAC population is 15 coins in all grades, with two pieces at MS64 and only two examples finer at MS65. This coin is a prize, and the next owner will be justifiably proud. The CAC price guide value is \$10,500. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.

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1873 No Arrows Closed 3 F-103 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC Rattler, Repunched Date, Choice Original. Brilliant, frosted luster creates vibrant cartwheels on the surfaces of this Close 3 variety. Silver fields lead toward russet color at the rims. The Close 3 coins were struck at the beginning of the year, until the 3 was judged too close in appearance to an 8. Bureaucracy being what it is, one suspects the confusion was immediately apparent to the Mint workers, prior to working its way up through the management. In any case, this is a fully-struck, appealing example with solid definition in the head, and a split bow knot. F-103, with repunching in 1 and 8. CAC has certified just 15 pieces in all grades, a remarkably low and under-appreciated figure. The CAC guide value is \$624, and this coin is a bargain at that price. Housed in a PCGS Gen 1.2 (1986-1989) rattler holder with CAC approval.



1873 No Arrows Open 3 F-102 10C, PCGS MS61 OGH, Choice Original. Steely fields reveal moderate luster, consistent with the lower-MS designation. Marks are minimal, and the surfaces are exceptionally smooth for the grade. A background of silver-gray patina underlays light gold color within the figure of Liberty, while high points are more deeply shaded. The No Arrows, Open 3 coins were struck between February and March 1873, after the date style changed and before the April 1st Coinage Act resulted in the addition of arrows at the date, to signify a minor change in weight. F-102, with a die line through the husk at the far right. The PCGS population is one piece in MS61, with 19 coins higher. The PCGS price guide value is \$1,000 in MS60, going up to \$2,250 in MS63. Ex. Birmingham Collection, via GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.0 (1990-1993) green label holder.



1873 With Arrows F-116 10C, PCGS MS64+ CAC, Near-Gem Original. Steely fields become partially reflective at the peripheries of this With Arrows example. Centers are brilliant, while the rims are filled with ample portions of russet and evergreen patina. A couple micro-lines are evident in the left obverse field. F-116, with a weak date. The left arrow points down while the right arrow is even. The CAC census notes 11 coins in MS64 with only three pieces finer. The CAC price guide at MS64 is \$1,500 and advances to \$3,750 at the MS65 level. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.

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1873-CC With Arrows F-101 10C, PCGS VF30, Choice Original. The 1873-CC With Arrows issue is one of the keys to the Liberty Seated dime set, not quite as challenging as the 1874-CC but clearly a strong contender. Production was less than 20,000 pieces in this year, and most coins "wore hard," with survivors typically exhibiting one issue or another. This is a no-problem, original, crusty example with coin gray and russet surfaces. Dirt clings to the protected areas, and there are no large accumulations or distraction spots. Copper patina dominates the reverse, surrounded by mottled shades of gray and silver. This is the coin that infamously appeared in the PCGS census as a No Arrows example, prior to being resubmitted for correction. The previous OGH tag indicated "No Arrows," a reminder that the grading services do not always get it right. F-101, the only variety for this issue, with the characteristic die crack through the mintmark. PCGS has certified 97 examples in all grades. This piece has not been attempted at CAC. The PCGS price guide value is \$15,000 in VF30 and steeply advances to \$35,000 in EF40. Ex. Gerry Fortin collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder.



1873-S With Arrows F-101 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster produces swirling cartwheels that rotate about the fields of this With Arrows piece, and the eye appeal is superb. Delicate gold patina is evident at the rims, while the centers are silver-gray. F-101, with repunching in the 1. The weakly struck reverse is typical for the F-101 in a later die state. The CAC population is six coins in MS64, with two examples at MS65 and the sole finest piece at MS67. The CAC guide indicates a value of \$3,820 - an attractive price, in our opinion, for a piece near the top of the census. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1874 With Arrows F-113 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster highlights the hammered strike of this With Arrows example. The bow knot is strongly split, while the engraver's relief within the head is readily apparent. Surfaces are primarily silver-gray, with russet patina present in the protected portions of the wreath. Cartwheels are vibrant, and the in-hand flash is substantial. F-113, with the date sloping sharply downward. The CAC census notes nine pieces in MS65 with nine coins finer. The CAC price guide value is \$3,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.

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1874-CC With Arrows F-101 10C, PCGS VG10 CAC, Gem Original. When considering the formation of a Liberty Seated set, collectors typically consult a price guide and contemplate what might be accomplished with various levels of financial commitment. This is a worthy exercise, but at the same time makes the misleading assumption that the coins are actually available at the stated prices. As collectors quickly learn, it is much easier for market chartists to print price guides than to offer equivalent coins for sale. With the market emphasis on eye appeal in recent years, the situation become even more challenging. The current Guide Book tells us that an 1874-CC dime has a retail value of \$8,500 in G4 and \$17,500 at F12, suggesting a price of \$15,250 if we interpolate proportionately. Let's immediately dispel the notion that this coin will sell at that level. GFRC sold this same piece at \$13,750 in 2017 and sold a different VG10 CAC example at \$17,000 in 2019. The GFRC Archive reports four coins total sold from 2017-date, indicating a market availability of less than one buying opportunity per year. The present example is a no-problem example with pleasing coin gray color. As expected for an original circulated piece, deeper shades reside in the protected areas while high points exhibit lighter patina. Design elements contrast nicely with the surrounding fields, and the eye appeal is strong for the grade level. Such examples appear on the market infrequently, and, if one does not strike when the opportunity presents, a long wait will be required to secure a similar example. GFRC advises acting now, as this coin can easily be traded as a duplicate in the unlikely event that a better coin comes along. The CAC population is a mere 14 pieces in all grades. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder with CAC approval.



1874-S With Arrows F-101 10C, PCGS MS62 OGH, Choice Original. Brilliant, frosted luster creates a vibrant cartwheel effect over the surfaces of this Philadelphia With Arrows piece. Russet patina lies within the protected areas of the obverse, while the reverse exhibits more generous shades of copper and maroon. Some strike weakness is evident in the head and bow knot. F-101, with a high date sloping downward. PCGS notes six pieces in MS62, with 29 coins across all higher grades. PCGS assigns a value of \$1,500 in MS60 and \$3,000 in MS63. Ex. Birmingham Collection, via GFRC. This coin has not been attempted at CAC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.0 (1990-1993) green label holder.

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1875 F-121 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Rich, frosted luster imparts swirling cartwheels atop the untuned fields of this flashy piece. Well-struck, with a near-complete head and split bow knot, if not fully so. F-121, the so-called "chin whiskers" variety with die flashing beneath the chin, and radial die lines to the right of the shield. CAC notes 18 pieces in MS66 and eight higher, all in MS67. The CAC guide value is \$1,150. While the population at this grade level is higher than many other Seated dimes, the flip side is that a near-Superb Gem 19th century piece can be acquired at a reasonable cost. Ex. Winesteven Collection, via GFRC purchase. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1875 In Wreath F-111a 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. This Mintmark in Wreath example exhibits glowing, satiny luster and vibrant cartwheels, exceptionally so for an MS65 example. Surfaces reveal original silver patina, with varying sprays of maroon color at the rims. F-111a, with a high date sloping down from left to right, and a vertical die crack extending from the corn ear to the right. A rim cud is developing above the wreath opening at the top. The CAC population in MS65 is 11 pieces, with five coins in higher grades. The CAC price guide value is \$3,300. The eye appeal of this example is strong for the grade, and a more aggressive price point is easily warranted. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1875-CC Below Wreath F-103a 10C, PCGS MS64+ CAC, Gem Original. The all-important CC mintmark comes either above or below the wreath in this year, and the Below Wreath is the more desirable variety, with a CAC population of 41 pieces, vs. 66 examples for the Above Wreath variant. This example reveals frosted luster and moderate cartwheels, with occasional smoky patina atop steel-gray fields. F-103a, with die cracks through the date and the left letter of the mintmark. The lower reverse rim exhibits a cud, not entirely visible through the holder. CAC notes ten pieces in MS64 with eight pieces in higher grades. The CAC price guide value is \$2,400. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1875-S In Wreath F-105 10C, PCGS MS63 OGH, Choice Original. Dancing cartwheels flow from the brilliant, frosted luster of this example, which, in our opinion is undegraded. Silver surfaces admit scattered tan and maroon patina, a touch more heavily on the reverse. The head is softly impressed, as is the bow, but the more compelling issue is the overall flash, which is clearly superior for the grade. F-105, with die cracks to the left of the wreath. PCGS reports 16 coins in MS63 and 24 coins higher. This piece has not been attempted at CAC. Ex. Birmingham Collection, via GFRC purchase. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.0 (1990-1993) green label holder.



1875-S Below Wreath F-117 10C, PCGS MS65, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster and pristine surfaces highlight subtle streaks of gold patina across the figure of the Liberty. The reverse is a shade lighter, with silver-gray color at the center, surrounded by faint smoky hue. F-117, with the date slightly sloping downward, and a small, filled mintmark placed to the left of the bow knot. PCGS has certified 23 pieces in MS65 with five coins higher, all in MS66. This piece has not been to CAC, but, in the opinion of GFRC, the coin is consistent with CAC standards. The GFRC rating is Gem. The PCGS price guide value is \$1,250. Ex. Birmingham Collection, via GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.0 (1998-2002) holder.



1875-S Below Wreath F-101 10C, PCGS MS64 Gold CAC, Micro S, Gem Original. This Gold CAC example exhibits a medium spray of charcoal patina, gracing mixed tan and silver color on both sides. The steely, frosted luster produces swirling cartwheels, and the flash is completely consistent with an MS65 designation. CAC notes ten pieces in MS64, seven coins in MS65, and only three examples higher. PCGS Gold CACs carry a certain mystique, representing perhaps the "best" opinion that one can obtain with respect to a rare coin. Even common coins with Gold stickers have sold for absurdly high premiums, and, while we always urge collectors to buy the coin and not the holder, there remains a certain pride in owning examples that the experts have deemed the "best of the best." Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval. The CAC guide value for an MS65 example is \$1,250. The holder tag indicates the D.L. Hansen pedigree.

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1876 Type 1 Reverse Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Repunched 1, Gem Original. Steely, frosted luster reveals silver centers, which lead to deeper gray shade at the rims and within the protected portions of the wreath. The swirling cartwheels produce substantial flash, and the slightest tilt is all that is needed to activate the "pop" of this exceptionally lustrous piece. PCGS has certified 20 pieces in MS66 and a single coin finer, at MS67. With the PCGS MS66+ designation, this piece should easily sell at the MS66 CAC guide level of \$1,390. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1876-CC F-116a 10C, PCGS MS65+ CAC, Gem Original. Glowing satiny luster and swirling cartwheels showcase this GFRC-rated Gem example, with brilliant centers surrounded by russet patina at the rims. The strike is full, and reveals textured head detail and a split bow knot. F-116, with a level date punched much closer to the rim than the rock, and a die crack through the mintmark. CAC has certified six pieces, with ten coins finer. The CAC price guide is \$1,580 in MS65. Ex. Bob Williams Collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1876-S Type 1 Reverse F-108 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. The 1876-S is more challenging in Mint State than one might think. Despite a mintage of over ten million examples, CAC has certified only 28 pieces across all Mint State grades, with seven pieces in MS65 and six coins finer. Brilliant, frosted luster and swirling cartwheels create the superb eye appeal of this example, and the GFRC Gem designation is easily warranted. The obverse is largely untoned, while the reverse exhibits a medium spray of russet color. F-108, with the date sloping down and doubling in (DI)M(E). The CAC guide value is \$1,720. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.

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1877 Type 2 Reverse F-107 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Steely, frosted luster reveals brilliant centers with electric blue and maroon patina at the rims, and the eye appeal is compelling. Cartwheels swirl over both sides and the visual "pop" is exceptional. A few obverse roller marks, as struck, are noted. An obverse circular die crack identifies the F-107 variety. CAC reports six pieces in MS66 and three coins finer, all in MS67. The CAC price guide is \$1,280. Ex. Gene Gardner Collection, and while this was not Gene's frontline coin (a colorful MS67 example), it's easy to see why he retained this as a duplicate. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1877-CC Type 2 Reverse Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant centers lead to pleasing pastel shades of blue and rose at the rims, and the overall eye appeal is strong. Dancing cartwheels radiate from the frosted luster, producing in-hand flash that is substantial. This is an unlisted variety, with a die crack across the wreath opening. CAC has certified 22 pieces in MS66 and two coins higher, both at MS67. The CAC price guide value is \$4,220. This is an exceptional piece that will draw significant interest. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval and D.L. Hansen pedigreed label.



1877-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. Steely, mirrored fields are sharply reflective under a bright light, revealing mixed shades of russet, rose, and sea-green color throughout. F-101, with a date sloping up and a small block mintmark. CAC notes two pieces in MS65, two coins in MS66, and a single coin at MS67. The overall CAC population is 20 pieces, an amazingly low number for an issue with an ample mintage. By comparison, CAC has certified 14 examples of the 1874-CC series key - a not so different number. Still, the market is being to appreciate issues such as this that are genuinely scarce when originality is considered. The CAC price guide value is \$4,880. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1878 Type 2 Reverse F-109 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Partially mirrored fields reveal brilliant luster and swirling cartwheels, while the frosty devices contrast nicely with the semi-prooflike surfaces. Both sides are nearly untoned, with only a few bits of copper color evident, mostly at the high points. F-109, with a die line in the gown above the pendant. Nicely struck, with strong bow detail. CAC report three coins in MS66, two examples in MS67, and a single piece finer at MS68. The CAC price guide in MS66 is \$1,880. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.



1878-CC Type 1 Reverse F-101 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Surfaces are partially mirrored, as is typical for the F-101 die pairing with Type I reverse (E close to wreath). The services do not break out the different die pairings, but nearly all high-grade examples of this issue are from the F-101 dies, as the survivors from the polished Type II reverse (E distant from wreath) are rare in Mint State. The F-101 variety represents the only type I reverse for the 1878-CC issue. This GFRC-rated Gem example exhibits tan and silver color with scattered, colorful bits of aqua, gold, and red patina evident on both sides. This is coin is tied for finest known at CAC with four other pieces, and the CAC price guide indicates a value of \$15,100. Ex. Doug Winter. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1879 F-104a 10C, PCGS MS67 CAC, Gem Original. Numismatists recognized the low mintage of the 1879 dime from the time of issue, and today many high-grade examples remain in collector hands. CAC has certified 14 pieces in MS67, with four coins higher, all at MS68. This GFRC Gem-rated example is partially mirrored with sharp reflectance. Frosty central devices exhibit ice-white patina, while the obverse rim reveals an even ring of russet and maroon color. The reverse is largely untoned, with a crescent of deep color evident beneath the wreath. F-104a, with repunched date. The CAC price guide value is \$3,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1880 F-102a 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC OGH, Gem Original. Contemporary dealer advertisements offered premium prices for 1880 dimes, and, as a result, gem pieces survived in above average proportion. The CAC census notes five pieces in MS65 with 21 coins finer. These coins circulated little; indeed, of the 40 pieces reported by CAC, 33 coins reside at the Mint State level. This steely, lustrous piece exhibits dancing cartwheels when tilted under a light source, revealing ample russet patina on both sides. F-102a, with a broken o in the date and die rust around DIME. The CAC price guide is \$1,500. Housed in a PCGS Gen 3.1 (1993-1998) green label holder with CAC approval.



1881 F-101a 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. The dimes from 1879 to 1881 represent a three-year low mintage run, as production capacity was shifted toward Morgan dollars. The Mint produced only 24,000 dimes in this year, although survivors are somewhat available as many were saved at the time of issue. This piece exhibits exceptional eye appeal, with brilliant centers framed by vivid blue and russet patina at the rims. Frosted luster created swirling cartwheels, consistent with the lofty technical grade. A couple marks in the obverse fields are noted. F-101a, with the left foot of the first 1 in the date positioned over the right half of a denticle. Today's digital photography considerably eases the task of precisely evaluating date placements in the Liberty Seated series. CAC reports six pieces at MS66 with four coins finer, with a price guide value of \$5,000. This pleasing example is yet another highlight from the Newtown consignor, and buyer interest will be active. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1882 F-104 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, frosted luster creates exceptionally active, dancing cartwheels. Untoned centers lead to crescents of deep russet-maroon patina, and the eye appeal is stunning. The CAC census notes 90 pieces total, with 11 coins in MS66 and 13 finer, all in MS67. F-104, with a broken loop in 2. The CAC guide value in MS66 is \$1,150, going up to \$3,000 in MS67. This piece should sell for more than MS66 money, but how near it will approach the MS67 value is a question for the bidders! Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder with CAC approval.

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1883 Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Even, light gold patina on both sides underlays attractive rim toning, with blue-green and russet patina evident at the legend and wreath. Frosty luster is exceptionally active, with dancing cartwheels atop the brilliant surfaces. The strike is well-impressed, with full detail in the head. This variety is unlisted, with a date sloping downward and reverse clashing. CAC notes 25 pieces in MS66 and ten coins finer, and a price guide value of \$1,150. This is a lot of coin for the money, with ample luster and pleasing color. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.0 (1998-2002) holder.



1884 F-105 10C, PCGS MS67 CAC, Gem Original. Glowing, satiny luster reveals silver-gray surfaces that exhibit a fine spray of maroon patina. As expected for the grade level, ticks are virtually non-existent and require a glass to locate. Despite the heavy production of Morgan dollars, the Mint responded to demands for small change and continued to strike dimes in ample quantities through the remainder of the Liberty Seated series. F-105, with a downward sloping date and die cracks at the exterior of the wreath. CAC notes 11 pieces in MS67, with a single example finer at MS68. The CAC price guide value is \$3,000. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1884-S F-104 10C, PCGS MS64, Gem Original. Dancing cartwheels radiate from the brilliant, steely luster, highlighting rich russet, blue, and rose patina. A few hidden obverse lines hold back the technical grade, but the eye appeal is fully consistent with an MS65 designation. F-104, with the 1 centered over two denticles and a small mintmark. This piece has not been attempted at CAC. PCGS notes 17 pieces in MS64 with four examples higher. The PCGS price guide is \$2,000 in MS64 and \$5,500 in MS65. Ex. GFRC. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder.

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1885 Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66+ CAC, Gem Original. Brilliant, steely luster creates swirling cartwheels that rotate about the fields of this GFRC-rated Gem example. Rose centers host ample blue patina at the rims and the eye appeal is exceptional. This variety is unlisted; a few lines in the reverse lettering may serve for further identification. The CAC census reports 13 pieces in MS66 and 11 coins higher, all at MS67. The PCGS price guide in MS66+ is \$1,750. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1885-S F-101 10C, PCGS EF40 CAC, Choice Original. Collectors of this period mostly resided on the east coast and focused on Philadelphia pieces, paying little attention to scarce branch Mint issues such as this low-mintage San Francisco example. The present coin exhibits original album toning, leading from blue patina at the rims toward more lightly toned centers. F-101, the only die pair, with a medium mintmark. CAC notes 27 pieces in all grades, with eight coins finer. The CAC price guide is \$3,210 in EF40. The eye appeal of this collector-grade example is strong, and the rarity is undeniable. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.4 (2005-2011) holder with CAC approval.



1886 F-113 10C, PCGS MS67 CAC, Gem Original. Swirling cartwheels flows from the steely, frosted luster of this late-date Philadelphia piece. Medium gray patina hosts blue-green color at the rims, while light copper color is additionally evident within the wreath. F-113, with a defect in the shield at the second vertical line. This piece is tied for top honors at CAC with seven others. The CAC price guide is \$3,000, a remarkably accessible price point for an example with none finer known. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1886-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS63 CAC, Choice Original. The 1886-S dime is surprisingly scarce with CAC approval, and there are only 19 examples so certified. Most are in Mint State grades, with three pieces at MS63 and ten coins finer. This original example exhibits silver-gray background with scattered smoky-brown patina on both sides. The luster is steely, with vibrant cartwheels. F-101, one of two die pairs for this issue, with a downward sloping date. Ex. GFRC. The CAC price guide value is \$1,380, an attractive value for a piece that is challenging with CAC approval. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.1 (2002-2004) holder with CAC approval.



1887 F-111 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Slight die erosion produces satiny luster on the surfaces of this colorful example. The swirling cartwheels reveal mixed russet, blue-green and maroon patina in the protected portions of the obverse, while the reverse is more richly toned with additional shades of copper-red. The CAC census notes 21 pieces in MS66 and six coins finer, with a price guide value of \$1,150. The F-111 die pair exhibits a downward sloping date and die cracks at the outside of the wreath. The in-hand appeal of this GFRC-rated Gem is considerable, and the collector interest in this coin will be spirited. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.



1887-S F-101 10C, PCGS MS65+ CAC, Gem Original. Rotating cartwheels dance over the fields of this attractively toned San Francisco piece. Blue patina at the rims frames mixed shades of russet and maroon, and the eye appeal is compelling. F-101, with the top of S(TATES) weak and a die line within the mintmark. The 1 in the date tilts slightly to the left. The CAC census report 10 coins in MS65 and nine examples higher. In-hand comparison with other pieces in the Newtown consignment suggests this piece is undegraded, and the CAC and PCGS Plus designations are fully warranted. The PCGS price guide in MS65+ is \$1,250, going up to \$1,500 in MS66. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.5 (2012-2013) holder with CAC approval.

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1888 F-113 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. This piece is a luster bomb, with glowing, frosted Mint bloom and dancing cartwheels. Surfaces are silver-gray, with light russet color evident on both sides. F-113, with the date sloping downward and reverse clash marks. This is a later die state with a die crack at the date and another joining the open ends of the wreath, and a web-book die state designation may be warranted if additional examples materialize. CAC notes 22 pieces in MS66 and two higher, both in MS67. The CAC guide value is \$1,150. Ex. Gene Gardner, whose frontline coin was not surprisingly an MS67. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.0 (1998-2002) holder with CAC approval.



1888-S Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Moderate, steely luster produces swirling cartwheels as this San Francisco piece is rotated under a light. Gray fields hide subtle maroon color in the protected areas of the obverse, while the rims are more intensely shaded with evergreen patina. The reverse reveals blue color behind the wreath, with subtle lilac hues evident at the center. Unlisted in the Fortin web-book, with a level date and thick mintmark. Tied for finest known at CAC with six other coins. The CAC guide value is \$6,750, not inexpensive, but still a reasonable value with no finer survivors known. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.



1889 Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Swirling cartwheels radiate from the steely luster of this GFRC-rated gem example. Olive color is evident in the recessed portions of Liberty, framed by russet and blue shades at the rim. Heavier copper and maroon patina fills the reverse. The wreath is softly impressed, with flatness in the upper left stalk. Unlisted in the Fortin web-book, with the 1 centered over two dentils, and punched more closely to the rim than the 9. CAC notes 13 pieces with three finer, all in MS67, and reports a value of \$1,150. Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.

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1889-S F-108 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Steely surfaces reveal light, crusty gray patina with a few deeper shades at the rim, while the reverse reveals additional, even rose color. A few marks are hidden within the figure of Liberty. F-108, with an even date and the mintmark centered under the bow knot. The CAC pop report notes six pieces in MS64, six coins in MS65, and two examples in MS66. The CAC price guide value is \$1,420. This is a pleasing example for the money, attractively toned and reasonably close to the top of the census. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.



1890 Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS67 CAC, Gem Original. Frosted luster imparts a swirling cartwheel effect as this example is flipped under a light. Russet centers host ample amounts of electric blue patina at the rims. This variety is unlisted; a downward sloping date may assist in future classification. The strike is soft, with the head not fully defined, and this may also be characteristic of this particular die pair. Tied with seven other pieces for highest graded at CAC, typical of the Newtown consignment, which includes a number of pieces at the top of the census. The CAC price guide value is \$3,000. Housed in PCGS Gen 4.6 (2013-2014) holder with CAC approval.



1890-S F-116 10C, PCGS MS65 CAC, Gem Original. Steely fields reveal frosted luster that is strong for the technical grade. Smoky patina fills both sides, with light dirt evident in the protected portions of the wreath. F-116, with a downward sloping date and a mintmark placed at the left of the bow knot. Nicely struck, with a defined split in the bow knot and a full head. CAC notes eight pieces in MS65 and only four coins higher, all in MS66. The CAC price guide value is \$1,580. This is the PCGS Coin Facts plate coin and is previously from the Gerry Fortin collection. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.0 (2015-2020) holder with CAC approval.

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1891 F-113 10C, PCGS MS67+ CAC, Gem Original. Dancing cartwheels emanate from the glowing, satiny luster, and the overall flash is considerable. A band of deep russet and evergreen patina crosses the upper portion of Liberty, while the reverse exhibits a virtual rainbow with a brilliant center. F-113, with a distinct die crack through Liberty's head and reverse cracks at the wreath exterior. This piece is tied for finest known at CAC with six other piece, and the CAC guide value is \$3,000. The overall eye appeal of this GFRC-rated Gem example is considerable and will no doubt draw substantial collector interest. Housed in a PCGS Gen 5.0 (2015) Dupont hologram holder.



1891-O Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS66 CAC, Gem Original. Superb luster highlights blue-green centers framed by rose shading at the rims. Strong cartwheel actively dances as the coin is tilted, rotating around the colorful surfaces. The reverse might well grade MS67, were it not for micro-chatter south of M. Regardless, the luster atop the wreath is mesmerizing and it difficult for this cataloger to put the coin down. CAC has certified nine examples in M66 with none higher, while PCGS has 17 coins in MS66 and three in MS67. There won't be any bargains in the Newtown sale – these coins are the not the sort to “slip through,” but this piece, with a CAC guide of \$3,420, represents a quite reasonable value given that it is tied for finest known at CAC. This was the frontline coin in the Gene Gardner set (Heritage 6/2014, lot 30283, realized \$2,820). Housed in a PCGS Gen 4.2 (2004) holder with CAC approval.



1891-S Unlisted 10C, PCGS MS64 CAC, Near-Gem Original. Rich, frosted luster is fully brilliant and nearly untuned, with only hints of russet color evident at the rims. This die pair is unlisted, but the die lines within DIME should aid in future attribution. Production was over three million pieces in this year, and to date 19 distinct varieties have been documented. Additional discoveries no doubt await the careful researcher. The CAC census notes eight pieces in MS64 with 21 coins finer. The PCGS price guide value is \$585. Housed in a PCGS Gen 6.1 (2020-2022) holder with CAC approval.