



NIGEL GOODING'S CORNER



Spanish-Philippine Errors

Despite printing technology and methods of more than 100 years ago, it is interesting to note that not very many major errors are known on Spanish-Philippine stamps. There are a number of handstamp errors, printing varieties and constant plate flaws on various issues throughout the Spanish period, but relatively few genuine printing errors. This article shows a sampling of various errors in an attempt to spark interest for other collectors to share other errors they may have in their collections for others to enjoy.

1871 Issue



10-centimos (Scott #40)

Horizontal Perforation Shifted Upward 3mm cutting through lower inscription

(Note: Other values exist with minor vertical and horizontal perforation shifts, where perforations cut through the outer frame line).



King Alfonso XII Issues

20-centavos (Scott #57) with Major Perforations Shifts:

Center vertical perforation shifted left 2mm, giving appearance of being imperforate vertically

Horizontal perforations on right stamps shifted upward slightly and left 3mm, causing stamps to be partially imperforate on right (two perfs holes omitted)

Possibly caused by vertical paper fold during perforating process.



25-milesimas (Scott #62) with double impression on top half of stamp. Printed on paper with 'DON' watermark (Graus certificate).

25-milesimas (Scott #62) with vertical perforation shifted left 3mm, cutting through right margin. (Note: Other values exist with minor vertical and horizontal perforation shifts, where perforations cut through the outer frame line).

100-milesimas (Scott #66) with additional vertical perforations 3mm to the right of the left margin perforation. Straight edge on right margin.



Normal



Error

2-centavos on 25-milesimas (Scott #72) with surcharge shifted downward 3½mm causing value (2 cent. de peso) to appear on the top of the stamp. Used with Parilla cancellation.



8-centavos (Scott #83)

With additional slanting vertical perforations to the right of the left margin perforation.
(Don Peterson Collection)

King Alfonso XIII Issues



2-centavos (Scott #144) with vertical perforations shifted left, cutting through right margin

10-centavos (Scott #166) with vertical perforations shifted right, cutting through left margin

(Note: Other values exist with minor vertical and horizontal perforation shifts, where perforations cut through the outer frame line).



12-4/8 centavos (Scott #167) with malformed perforations on right and bottom caused by natural paper fold.

15-centavos (Scott #170) with 'Accordion' error (natural paper fold prior to printing), tied with boxed Certificado cancellation.

15-centavos on 15-centavos (Scott #188) with 'cracked' surcharge due to natural paper fold.