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This exhibit summarizes all the knowledge known to date of Hungary's classical revenues as well as the exhibitor's groundbreaking research and discoveries.

Austria-Hungary's Dual-Monarchy treaty of 1867 deprived Hungary's own budget and plans were laid. The copper plates of Hungary's first adhesive documentary revenues stamps were created at the Dual-Monarchy's printing plant in Vienna, Austria. That is where the stamps were also printed in the first two years. These beautiful stamps were based on the designs of Hungarian-born artist E. Rapp and the exquisite engravings were done in Jacoby's famous workshops by five great professional engravers.



1868: the proof of the Forint-Krajczár denomination. The only known example.

In October 1, 1870 the machines, mother plates, the set of type-cases and the lead frame and production was transferred to the newly built Hungary Royal Printing Plant in Buda, Hungary, where the revenue stamps of the krajczár-period were produced for almost three decades in many different issues. For each of them the same mother plates were used. In 1873, a 20 krajczár denomination was added, making the total of 29 values. Of the numerous printing runs during those thirty years of production created a large variety of paper, color, perforation and watermark differences as well as various results of "short runs". The quantities of the recent values are in brackets. As a result, there are only five classical Hungarian adhesive documentary revenue collections could become complete and one of them is presented here.

Organization:

Table 1. Stamp Issues
A brief overview of all these issues. Also presented in this frame varieties of paper, watermark and perforations.

Frame 2.1a. Types and denominations
The identical type of frame-prints are in chronological order, followed with samples of the 29 denominations in ascending order. Note the newly discovered column-titles, manufacturing times, most stamps, scarce examples, multiples, etc.

Frame 2. 12kr to 6kr (Krajczár)
Frame 3. 5kr to 36kr (Forint)
Frame 4. 36kr to 7kr (Forint)
Frame 5. 4kr to 25kr.

Especially significant items are displayed with heavy red borders. Special attention are on table.

Produce

Nov. 1. 1870. Auction handprints with letters of the Tax Office in territories of Hungary and abroad for date. There were sold also printed signs on full sheets of paper, without date and any sign of office use (see the right one).



Nov. 1. 1874. Adhesive stamps of Austria used in Hungarian Documents.



Here you will find a copy of all three sets of documents of Hungarian revenues on silk. The was paid two times in the same document. In two different currency periods. First issue was 6kr (Cz.) in green (see left, stamped in green). This issue was valid till Oct. 31. 1874. The printed signs from 1870. - 4 of them have in the middle, remained also valid till the money reform in Nov. 1. 1880. After the change of 6kr = 1 Gulden to 130 kreuzer = 1 Gulden, were glued three brown 6kr stamps onto the document and stamped in black.




yellow paper | orange paper

Stamp Issues

1868, June 20. Vienna production.
Stamps with a variety of the Austrian Treasury watermarks. Each has perf. 12, see data for perf. 8-11.

STEMPEL-MARKEN.



Full 1868 / 1870. Overprints.
Military Border Region. Austria's two-headed eagle overprint in gold. Production at first in Vienna, Austria, later in Budapest, Hungary. In circulation until the warner hand-printed method of this region was terminated. Some watermark and line perforation at the first printing. After 1870 some denomination Hungarian production on paper stamp.

1870, Oct. / 1873. Future paper - fully perforated.
The first Hungarian above production. Unwatermarked paper from Austria. Many different line perforations 8-11, see data for perf. 12.

1871, Oct. / 1874. First paper with the first Hungarian "Starburst" sheet-watermark. Imported from Austria. It was produced in Hungary's issue perf. 12x-12x.

1874, Oct. 1. Change of watermarks with the first Hungarian "Starburst" sheet-watermark color. Line perf. 12x-12x.

1874, Oct. 1. 1880. Color change for the frame for the krajczár denomination. This kind of watermark for the krajczár and forint denominations. Line perf. 12x-12x.

1874, April 1. Color change for the frame as well as the central design is more extensive. Line perf. 12x-12x, and for better quality stamp the production start with a new paper (blue 15kr a new watermark).

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Stamp Issues

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* In brackets: estimated copies of production by literature [?]

The First Hungarian Issues

1868 Austria-Treasury "STEMPEL-MARKEN" sheet-watermark.

Paper types
heavy 0.1 mm, black -0.07 mm, yellowish -0.10 mm, thin -0.07 mm

Paper-crease errors
During the early copper-plate printing process, when wet paper transfer was applied, occasionally errors occurred. Shaded areas stamp-crease examples presented below.

1870/73 Future paper - Imported from Austria. Without watermark. Line perf. 8-11.

1873/74. The first Hungarian adhesive full paper with various Baroque creases for the state denominations. Normal thickness: 0.275-0.281 mm. Original research.

TRUCK paper (in all issues 1873, 1876, 1880, 1881-87) | **NORMAL paper** (1875)

1871. 7 krajczár revenue paid on 5 forint Receipt of Payment note.



Stamp Issues

1873. Center reconstruction of Hungary's first sheet-watermark for the forint values.
The paper itself did not differ, but with fine-line and watermark side the stamps were printed on.

Watermark-edge-line
Watermark-edge-line is a specialty of the early Hungarian stamp-watermark-prints. When the sheet was added to the cylinders, the edges' widening formed a straight line. This allowed to fit the design on part of the oval of pattern. With each line found, it is standardized across (Less than 705) Watermark illustration in original size.

For krajczár values: 1870-69, 1881-87

For forint values: 1870-81, 1881-98

The "W" watermark's second position is upright. Scales were always upright on watermark-edge.

Through-highly illumination enlarged 200%

Stamp Issues

1880. Line perforation variations of the 12kr value
Four horizontal and four vertical (14) line perforation combinations possible - below are 12 that was already verified.



Multiperforations
Double line perforations: 1873, 1880, 1873, 1880
Narrow: 1868, 1873, 1868, 1879
Low: 1868, 1873, 1868, 1879
Wide: 1868, 1873, 1868, 1879
Square: 1868, 1873, 1868, 1879
Skewed line perforations: 1868, 1868, 1881, 1891

Imperforate-between pair
The only recorded 50kr imperforate-between pair. One of two recorded imperforate-between during all the krajczár-forint era.

Perforation
1868, 1868, 1881, 1891

This page is an example of the exhibitor's original research that encompasses all 29 values, full perforation and watermark combinations. The collection of this subject totals 2,000 similar pages of value in the entire krajczár period.

Stamp Issues

Mixed usage of postage and revenue stamps
Mixed use with green facial handstamp on document piece.

Counterfeit revenue stamp used to defraud the treasury
One of the first recorded counterfeit 50 forint stamp on document. The counterfeit date known: December 16, 1879.

1871 copper print postal stamp and 1875 paper revenue stamp.

March 15, 1884. Mixed use with manuscript cancel on receipt for 21 R 60kr.

Correct 13 krajczár-rate paid for amount between 20 and 40 forint document.

At first the fraud was accepted, later discovered by the supervisor. Post "W" (Gibson's) handstamp mark by supervisor.