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President's Report

Our seventh biennial international numismatic conference NAAC2017, which was held in Melbourne in October, was a great success. National Organiser Walter Bloom and the local Organizing Committee chaired by Darren Burgess put together an interesting program, one of the consequences of which was the marvellous selection of papers for this volume of the Journal.

This last year has seen the publication of Peter Lane's *The Coin Cabinet*, and the winning of the Paul Simon Memorial Award by Barrie Newman. Both Peter and Barrie are great contributors to the Association.

Our Vice-President, Darren Burgess, has advised that he won't be renominating at our coming AGM due to the pressure of work and the need to progress some NAV activities. I am grateful to Darren for all the work he puts into the NAA, in particular last year's biennial conference and the Facebook page, not to mention the steady stream of news items. In fact Darren is not completely off the hook as he has become the Victorian State Representative to the Association.

Stewart Wright of Status International has kindly offered us use of a room for the Association's AGM on Monday 16 April (commencing 1pm) at his new premises at 64 Parramatta Rd, Forest Lodge, close to the University of Sydney.

The NAA continues to enjoy sponsorship at a sustainable level, with Noble Numismatics (Gold), Coinworks, Downies (Silver), Drake Sterling, Sterling & Currency and Vintage Coins & Banknotes (Bronze) all contributing to ensure the Association's continued success. However expenses are rising and receipts are falling, even with the steady level of membership. On the positive side, many are taking out ten-year memberships.

I am appreciative of the support of Council and other NAA members throughout the year, and particularly our Secretary, Jonathan Cohen, and Treasurer, Lyn Bloom, who are pivotal in the running of the Association, and our Managing Editor, Gil Davis, for his work in producing this Volume 28 of JNAA.

Walter R Bloom

President, NAA www.numismatics.org.au March 2017

Editor's Note

The 28th volume of the journal is a bumper issue and my eighth as Managing Editor. There are eleven articles reflecting a remarkable range of numismatic interests. I am particularly pleased to see the balance of modern Australian and historical numismatic interests, and the excellent scholarship throughout. Many of the articles derive from presentations given at the wonderful NAA conference held in Melbourne from 21-22 October, 2017. I thank the presenters for being willing to quickly turn their talks into articles, despite the hard work this entailed, as well as the dedication of the other contributors.

This journal is the annual publication of the peak numismatic body in the country. As noted in the last volume, I have been working with the President and the Editorial Committee to ensure the standard of all articles we publish compares favourably with the best international numismatic journals. This includes a rigorous double-blind peer-review process. I thank the members of the Editorial Committee (listed below) and the two anonymous reviewers assigned to each article for their prompt and constructive help.

I also wish to express my thanks to the two key people who work quietly and efficiently behind the scenes to help me get this journal out: John O'Connor (Nobles) who proofreads the articles, and Barrie Newman (Adelaide Mint) who carefully looks after the production process.

In this volume we have six articles on modern Australian topics. The articles by Paul Holland and Walter bloom are numismatic studies respectively of George V pennies and award medals struck by the Royal Australian Institute of Architects, WA chapter. Their treatments are exemplary demonstrations of the 'arcane art' of numismatic studies combining detailed knowledge with keen observation. These are foundational studies for others to follow. Vincent Verheyen uses his expertise in chemistry to analyse surface marks on predecimal proof coins made at the Melbourne branch of the Royal Mint. He successfully demonstrates that some of the marks result from production rather than careless handling, a finding that will have implications for collectors of proofs generally. Jeremy McEachern, Barrie Newman and David Rampling show another side of numismatics – how it can be used to inform our understanding of the past. Their entertaining articles range from illuminating the story of one of Australia's earliest dealers (Rampling on Isidore Kozminsky), to the sporting achievements of one of the country's celebrated early athletes (McEachern on Richmond 'Dick' Eve and the collection of his memorabilia in the National Sports Museum), and even the sorry tale of an 'official' fraudster who nonetheless got away with his misdeeds (Newman on a Ugandan High Commissioner).

The volume also contains five articles on matters historical. Three of them deal with iconography and make fascinating reading, especially when taken together. Bridget McClean looks at Tarentine civic coinage c. 470–450 BC. Charlotte Mann and Rachel Mansfield both deal with iconography under emperors of the Severan dynasty of Rome in the early third century AD. Charlotte deals with the imperial portraiture of Caracalla, while Rachel examines the civic coinage of the eastern city of Antipatris under Elagabalus. The results of their studies are illuminating about how important coins were for disseminating propaganda, and in turn, understanding what was important to the emperors and cities that commissioned them. Christian Cuello takes us to the world of the Visigoths, best known for sacking Rome, but also producers of coinage, some of which reside in the Australian Centre for Ancient Numismatic Studies collection at Macquarie University, which he catalogues and discusses. Finally, Frank Robinson provides a careful study of bank notes of the Empire of Brazil which will be of interest to aficionados of paper money.

There is something for everyone in this volume.

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Empire of Brazil Treasury Notes

Frank J Robinson

Abstract

The Empire of Brazil was proclaimed in 1822 and lasted until 1889. Under a decree of 1833, paper money was issued by the National Treasury from 1835; these notes were initially printed in England (until 1870) and later issues were printed in the USA (from 1869 to 1889). Each time a new order of notes was placed, the designs were changed; this resulted in from four to six different designs for the English printings and up to four different designs for the American printings. The notes printed in the USA are a very different style from the English ones. This paper looks at the various groups of notes and the features that distinguish these groups.

Keywords

[Empire of Brazil] [National Treasury] [paper money] [printing groups] [Emperor Pedro II]

Introduction

This paper deals only with notes issued by the National Treasury of Brazil during the period of the Empire of Brazil.

Each time a new order was placed for notes, the design was changed; however not all denominations were printed each time. This resulted in up to nine different designs (and printings) for a particular denomination; the most designs/printings being nine for the 5 mil reis (six English and three American), followed by eight for the 2, 10, and 20 mil reis.

The two Brazilian paper money catalogues that I have covering this period,¹ list these notes by their denomination; thus all the notes of one denomination are listed before the next denomination. The *Standard Catalog of World Paper Money*² lists these notes first by printer, then by "estampa"; "estampa" can be translated as "print" and refers to which printing the note is of a particular denomination. However not all denominations were printed at the same time as some denominations were required more often than others. I am interested in which denominations were printed as part of a particular group. To determine each group, we need to compare the details of the designs of the notes.

¹ Amato, et al, 2000; Seppa, 1975.

² Cuhaj, 2008, sometimes referred to as 'Pick' from its original author.

Brief Historical Background

After Napoleon's invasion of Spain and Portugal in 1807, the British Royal Navy evacuated the Portuguese royal family to Brazil. In 1815, Brazil was raised in status from a colony to being equal to Portugal as part of the United Kingdom of Portugal, Brazil and the Algarves.

King João VI, and most of the royal family, eventually returned to Portugal in 1821, leaving Dom Pedro (his eldest son) in Rio de Janeiro as Regent. While the Royal family were on their way home, the Portuguese *Cortes* (Parliament) enacted laws to return Brazil to colonial status. When news of this reached Brazil, Dom Pedro proclaimed Brazil's independence as the Empire of Brazil, and he was later crowned as Emperor Pedro I. By 1831, after a harsh reign, Pedro I was forced to abdicate in favour of his four year old son, Pedro II. A largely benevolent reign was followed by a military coup in 1889, resulting in the abdication of Pedro II. The Empire was then replaced by a Republic.

Overview of the Paper Money of the National Treasury

The National Treasury of the Empire of Brazil was established in 1833. Under a decree of 1 June 1833, paper money was issued from 1835.

The issues for the next 35 years were printed in England by Perkins, Bacon & Petch (until 1859) and then, after a change of name, by Perkins, Bacon & Co from 1860. There were nine denominations – 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, and 500 mil reis. [Note that "mil" means 1000, thus 1 mil reis is 1000 reis]. These issues can be divided into seven groups based on their design features and published years of issue³; I term these groups EE1 to EE7, with EE being an abbreviation of Empire English printings. Groups EE1 to EE4 were printed by Perkins, Bacon & Petch and groups EE5 to EE7 were printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co.

The American Bank Note Co printed notes for the last 20 years of the Empire from 1869 to 1889.⁴ In addition to the nine denominations previously printed, there was also a 500 reis note. These notes can be divided into four groups which I term EA1 to EA4, with EA being an abbreviation of Empire American printings.

English Printings

Table 1 lists the 41 notes that were printed in England with their catalogue numbers (from the *Standard Catalog*) along with the year of issue (in brackets). As can be seen, not all denominations were printed for each group. This comes down to the greater

³ These notes do not have any dates or years printed on them (other than the decree date of 1 June 1833); the years of issue are those published in catalogues.

⁴ Note that there is a one year overlap – the last English note printed was 20 mil reis in 1870 (this denomination was not included in the initial American printing group) and the first American notes (5 and 10 mil reis) were printed in 1869.

demand for some denominations over others, eg there were six issues of both the 5 and 20 mil reis, but only four of most of the other denominations.

The estampa only appears on the three highest denomination notes (100, 200, and 500 mil reis) of group EE6 and the two notes of group EE7. However, as shown in Table 1, the estampa is numbered from the first issue. Some higher denominations do not have the series ("serie" in Portuguese) shown on them due to the small number of notes printed; there were 100 000 notes per series.

Mil Reis	1	2	5	10	20	50	100	200	500
EE1	P-A201	P-A202	P-A203	P-A204	P-A205	P-A206	P-A207	P-A208	P-A209
	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)	(1835)
	(Est 1)								
EE2	P-A210	P-A211	P-A212	P-A213	P-A214	P-A215	P-A216	P-A217	P-A218
	(1849)	(1844)	(1842)	(1840)	(1841)	(1839)	(1844)	(1844)	(1844)
	(Est 2)								
EE3			P-A221	P-A222	P-A223	P-A224			
			(1843)	(1852)	(1844)	(1848)			
			(Est 3)	(Est 3)	(Est 3)	(Est 3)			
EE4			P-A230		P-A232		P-A225	P-A226	P-A227
			(1852)		(1854)		(1856)	(1859)	(1859)
			(Est 4)		(Est 4)		(Est 3)	(Est 3)	(Est 3)
EE5	P-A219	P-A220	P-A237						
	(1860)	(1860)	(1860)						
	(Est 3)	(Est 3)	(Est 5)						
EE6	P-A228	P-A229	P-A240	P-A231	P-A239	P-A233	P-A234	P-A235	P-A236
	(1866)	(1866)	(1866)	(1864)	(1867)	(1867)	(1867)	(1867)	(1867)
	(Est 4)	(Est 4)	(Est 6)	(Est 4)	(Est 5)	(Est 4)	Est 4	Est 4	Est 4
EE7				P-A238	P-A241				
				(1868)	(1870)				
				Est 5	Est 6				

Table 1: Notes – English Printings (SCWPM Nos, years of issue, and estampa⁵)

These notes were printed on one side only and with a stub, like in a cheque book, from which the note was cut by hand when issued; thus the left hand margin is rarely straight.

⁵ Estampa is shown in Table 1 (and Table 10) as "Est" followed by a number; where this is in brackets, the estampa is not shown on the notes.

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Figure 1: 1 mil reis note (P-A210)⁶ of group EE2; design features to be noted are the in the centre of the left and right panels, as well as the vignette at the top centre, and the denomination in the centre; on this note, these are the decree at left, Imperial arms at right, a vignette of Commerce at top centre, and the denomination numeral in the centre. *Image Credit: Author's collection*

There are four design features that we need to pay attention to (see Figure 1), these are:

- the design feature in the centre of the left panel;
- the design feature in the centre of the right panel;
- the vignette at the top centre; and
- the denomination numeral and/or word in the centre.

In most of the first four groups, the left and right panel features are common for the group and define that group.

At the top centre there is a vignette which is usually an allegorical figure (ie attribute) or a scene, but sometimes a portrait of Pedro II.

In the centre of the note is a large numeral and/or word giving the denomination; on groups EE1 to EE4 this is a plain numeral whereas in groups EE5 to EE7 there is the denomination (as a word, or as numerals) in colour on a background made up of multiple (usually five) overlapping circles (or sometimes ovals), containing a machined pattern, in a lighter shade of the same colour; this is sometimes over the numeral (as shown in Figure 7).

⁶ Reference numbers in the figures are to the Standard Calalog

Group	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel	Centre Denomination
EE1	arms	figure or view	decree	plain numeral
EE2	decree	figure or view	arms	plain numeral
EE3	monogram or Grand Cross	figure or view	arms	plain numeral
EE4	arms	figure or view	monogram or Grand Cross	plain numeral
EE5	arms / decree	figure	decree / arms / Pedro II (sm)	word in circles background
EE6	Pedro II / engraving(s) / other	figure or view	arms / engraving(s) / other	word or numerals in circles background
EE7	figure	Pedro II & children or view	figure	word in circles background

Table 2: Design Features for the seven English groups

Table 2 is a listing of these four design features for each of the seven groups. For the first two groups (EE1 and EE2), this is quite straight forward. Groups EE3 and EE4 have one denomination with a different left or right design feature to the others. The last three groups have a number of differences.

For each group, I will present a table of the notes for that group, and the distinguishing features of that group.

<u>Group EE1</u>

Group EE1 (see Table 3) was issued in 1835 and consists of notes of all nine denominations. All have the Imperial arms in the left side panel and the decree in the right side panel (see Figures 2 and 3). Each has a different vignette or scene at the top centre. Both the series number and the serial number have been added by hand.

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel
1 mil reis	1835	Arms	Agriculture	Decree
2 mil reis	1835	Arms	Arts	Decree
5 mil reis	1835	Arms	Commerce	Decree
10 mil reis	1835	Arms	head of boy Emperor (r)	Decree
20 mil reis	1835	Arms	Justice & Truth	Decree
50 mil reis	1835	Arms	Discovery of Brazil	Decree
100 mil reis	1835	Arms	view of Recife	Decree
200 mil reis	1835	Arms view of Bahia		Decree
500 mil reis	1835	Arms	view of Rio de Janeiro Anchorage	Decree

Table 3: Design Features for Group EE1

As can be seen from Table 3, the Imperial arms on the left and the decree on the right are the designating features of group EE1.

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Figure 2: The 5 mil reis note (P-A203) of group EE1 with the Imperial arms at left, decree at right, "Commerce" at top centre, and denomination numeral in the centre. Both the series number and the serial number have been added by hand on this group only. *Image Credit: Stephen Prior*

<u>Group EE2</u>

Group EE2 (see Table 4) again has all nine denominations and were issued in various years from 1839 to 1849. All have the decree in the left side panel and the Imperial arms in the right side panel (see Figures 1 and 3). Again each has a vignette or scene at the top centre, but they are on different denominations to group EE1.

Commencing with group EE2, the series number⁷ is printed in the main print colour and the serial number is printed in larger black numerals (see Figure 1).

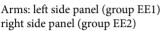
Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel
1 mil reis	1849	Decree	Commerce	Arms
2 mil reis	1844	Decree	Agriculture	Arms
5 mil reis	1842	Decree	Arts	Arms
10 mil reis	1840	Decree	Discovery of Brazil	Arms
20 mil reis	1841	Decree	head of boy Emperor (r)	Arms
50 mil reis	1839	Decree	Justice & Truth	Arms
100 mil reis	1844	Decree	view of Rio de Janeiro Anchorage	Arms
200 mil reis	1844	Decree view of Recife		Arms
500 mil reis	1844	Decree	view of Bahia	Arms

Table 4: Design Features for Group EE2

For group EE2 we have the same two designating features as for group EE1 (decree and Imperial arms) but they are on the opposite sides.

⁷ Where estampa and series numbers are printed on the notes, the number is followed by the letter "A" which has the same usuage as "st", "nd", "rd", "th" (for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th) in English







Decree: right side panel (group EE1) left side panel (group EE2)

Figure 3: arms and decree in side panels for groups EE1 and EE2. Image Credit: Author's collection

Group EE3

Group EE3 (see Table 5) consists of only four notes. While the 5 mil reis (see Figure 4) has a crowned monogram of Pedro II at the left, the other three denominations have the Grand Cross of the Imperial Order of the Southern Cross at the left (see Figure 6); all four notes have the Imperial arms at the right.

Table 5: Design Features for Group EE3

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel
5 mil reis	1843	crowned monogram	Agriculture	Arms
10 mil reis	1852	Grand Cross (IOSC)	Justice & Truth	Arms
20 mil reis	1844	Grand Cross (IOSC)	Discovery of Brazil	Arms
50 mil reis	1848	Grand Cross (IOSC)	Pedro II (l) in wreath	Arms

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Figure 4: The 5 mil reis (P-A221) note of group EE3 with the crowned monogram at left, arms at right, "Agriculture" at top centre, and denomination numeral in the centre. *Image Credit: Author's collection*

Group EE4

There were five denominations issued for group EE4 (see Table 6). All have the Imperial arms at the left. Again the 5 mil reis has the crowned monogram of Pedro II, this time on the right (see Figure 5); the others have the Grand Cross on the right (see Figure 6).

On the 5 and 20 mil reis, letters are used for the series; on the 100, 200, and 500 mil reis, the series is not given as there were less than 100 000 notes of each printed and a series identifier was not required.

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel
5 mil reis	1852	Arms	Justice & Truth	crowned monogram
20 mil reis	1854	Arms	Peace, Agriculture & Science	Grand Cross (IOSC)
100 mil reis	1856	Arms	view of Bahia	Grand Cross (IOSC)
200 mil reis	1859	Arms	view of Rio de Janeiro Anchorage	Grand Cross (IOSC)
500 mil reis	1859	Arms	view of Recife	Grand Cross (IOSC)

Table 6: Design Features for Group EE4



Figure 5: The 5 mil reis note (P-A230) of group EE4 with the arms at left, crowned monogram at right, "Justice & Truth" at top centre, and denomination numeral in the centre. The series is shown as the letter "C". *Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries–Auction:* August 2015 Chicago ANA–*Lot No* 32022



Crowned monogram (5 mil reis only): left side panel (group EE3) right side panel (group EE4) *Image Credit: Author's collection*



Grand Cross of the Imperial Order of the Southern Cross (except 5 mil reis): left side panel (group EE3) right side panel (group EE4) *Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries–Auction: January* 2012 NYINC–Lot No 4045

Figure 6: crowned monogram and Grand Cross of the Imperial Order of the Southern Cross in side panels for groups EE3 and EE4

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Group EE5

Only the three lowest denominations were issued for group EE5 (see Table 7). From this issue, the consistency of the design features of the left and right panels ceases. Starting with this group, there are multiple overlapping circles (or sometimes ovals), containing a machined pattern, with the denomination word (or in three instances numerals) within the pattern. The notes of group EE5 have five overlapping circles with the denomination word (as shown in Table 7); this is superimposed over the large denomination numeral (as on the earlier groups) (see Figure 7).

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel	Centre Denomination
1 mil reis	1860	Arms	Commerce (new)	Decree	blue "HUM" over
					numeral
2 mil reis	1860	Decree	Agriculture (new)	Arms	green "DOIS" over
					numeral
5 mil reis	1860	Arms	Justice &	Pedro II (suit,	red "CINCO" over
			Commerce w.	small l)	numeral
			arms (new)		

Table 7: Design Features for Group EE5

On the 1 and 2 mil reis, letters are used for the series, but on the 5 mil reis numbers are used.



Figure 7: The 2 mil reis (P-A220) note of group EE5 with the decree at left, arms at right and a new vignette of "Agriculture" at top centre. The denomination word "DOIS" (two) is shown inside five overlapping circles; this is superimposed over the denomination numeral "2". The series is shown as the letters "OO". *Image Credit: Author's collection*



Boy Emperor on 10 mil reis of group EE1 (also on 20 mil reis of group EE2) Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries-Auction: August 2012 Philadelphia ANA-Lot No 20054



Pedro II on 50 mil reis of group EE3 Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries-Auction: January 2012 NYINC-Lot No 4046



Pedro II on 5 mil reis of group EE5 (also on 1 mil reis of group EE6) The Grand Cross can be seen under the left lapel of his suit. *Image Credit: Stephen Prior*



Pedro II on 200 mil reis of group EE6 (also on 20 mil reis of group EE6 and 10 mil reis of group EE7) *Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries–Auction: ANA-Session C–Lot No* 30039

Figure 8: Portraits of Pedro II on English printed notes

Group EE6

All nine denominations were printed for group EE6 (see Table 8). The two main themes for the left and right design features are portraits of Pedro II (see Figure 8) and machine engravings of various designs (see Figure 9). Again the denomination (word or numerals) is printed in colour over coloured overlapping circles; while the 2 and 10 mil reis have the denomination numeral underneath (as on group EE4), the 1, 5, 20, and 100 mil reis do not (see Figure 10). Coloured numerals, instead of words, are shown in the coloured circles on the 50, 200, and 500 mil reis; this is presumably due to the length of the words for these denominations – cinqüenta (50), duzentos (200), and quinhentos (500).

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel	Centre
				-	Denomination
1 mil reis	1866	Pedro II (civ, l)	Commerce, Justice	Arms	blue "HUM"; no
			& Agriculture		numeral underneath
			(new)		
2 mil reis	1866	Circular	Justice & Truth w.	Circular	green "DOIS" over
		engraving	arms	engraving	numeral
5 mil reis	1866	Circular	Commerce, Arts &	Circular	red "CINCO" ; no
		engraving	Science	engraving	numeral underneath
10 mil reis	1864	Oval engraving	Agriculture	Oval	brown "DEZ" over
				engraving	numeral
20 mil reis	1867	Pedro II (suit,	Commerce (new)	Arms	green "VINTE" ; no
		small r)			numeral underneath

Table 8: Design Features for Group EE6

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel	Centre
					Denomination
50 mil reis	1867	Two circular	Agriculture &	Two circular	blue "50"
		engravings	Commerce w.	engravings	
			arms (new)		
100 mil reis	1867	Abundance	Discovery of Brazil	Commerce	red "CEM" ; no
					numeral underneath
200 mil reis	1867	Pedro II (suit,	Justice & Truth	Arms (t);	red "200"
		r) (t); arms (b)		Pedro II	
				(suit, r) (b)	
500 mil reis	1867	Seated woman	Agriculture, Arts	Seated	green "500"
			& Commerce	woman	
			(new)		



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Figure 9: Three of the machine engravings used for group EE6



Figure 10: The 5 mil reis note (P-A240) of group EE6 with a circular engraving at both left and right and a vignette of "Commerce, Arts & Science" at top centre. The denomination word "CINCO" is shown inside five overlapping circles, but no denomination numeral "5" underneath. The series is shown as the letter "E". *Image Credit: Stephen Prior*

Group EE7

The last of the English printings were group EE7 and consisted of two notes only (see Table 9). Both have different allegorical figures at left and right. On both of these notes the coloured denomination word is shown inside the coloured overlapping circles without the denomination numeral underneath (see Figure 11).



Figure 11: The 20 mil reis note (P-A241) of group EE7 with a vignette of "Justice" at left, a vignette of "Agriculture" at right and a view of Rio de Janeiro Anchorage at top centre. The denomination word "VINTE" is shown inside five overlapping circles and ovals, but no denomination numeral "20" underneath. The series is shown as "4" (ie 4th) and the estampa (abbreviated to "Est") is shown as "6" (ie 6th). *Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries-Auction:* January 2015 NYINC – *Lot No* 2039

Table 9: Design Features for Group EE7

Denomination	Issued	Left Panel	Top Centre	Right Panel	Centre Denomination
10 mil reis	1868	Truth	Pedro II	Justice	brown "DEZ" ; no
			(suit, sm, r) (t);		numeral underneath
			children & arms (b)		
20 mil reis	1870	Justice	view of Rio de	Agriculture	green "VINTE" ; no
			Janeiro Anchorage		numeral underneath

American Printings

Now to the American printings. Table 10 lists the 23 notes printed in the USA with their *Standard Catalog* numbers and year of issue. All these notes, except the 10 mil reis of group EA1, have the estampa printed on them; the estampa numbers are continued from the English printings.

Mil Reis	1⁄2	1	2	5	10	20	50	100	200	500
EA1	P-A242	P-A244	P-A245	P-A257	P-A252		P-A246			
	(1874)	(1870)	(1870)	(1869)	(1869)		(1874)			
	Est 1	Est 5	Est 5	Est 7	(Est 6)		Est 5			
EA2	P-A243	P-A250	P-A251	P-A261	P-A258	P-A259		P-A247	P-A248	
	(1880)	(1879)	(1882)	(1883)	(1883)	(1880)		(1877)	(1878)	
	Est 2	Est 6	Est 6	Est 8	Est 7	Est 7		Est 5	Est 5	
EA3			P-A256	P-A264	P-A262		P-A253			P-A249
			(1887)	(1888)	(1888)		(1889)			(1885)
			Est 7	Est 9	Est 8		Est 6			Est 5
EA4		P-A255	P-A260			P-A263			P-A254	
		(1889)	(1889)			(1888)			(1889)	
		Est 7	Est 8			Est 8			Est 6	

Table 10: Notes – American Printings (SCWPM Nos, years of issue, and estampa)

Let's have a quick look at some of the design features of the American printed notes. These notes were printed on both sides and are very different from the English printed notes. They all have one of several portraits of Emperor Pedro II on the front (all of these portraits are different to the ones on the English notes), and have a design on the back, which on some groups have the imperial arms (see Figure 12).



Figure 12: Back of 1 mil reis note (P-A250) of group EA2; note the imperial arms in the centre. *Image Credit: Author's collection*

Table 11 is a listing for the four groups of the American printings showing which portrait of Pedro II is used on the front and the type used for the back.

Group	Denominations	Front	Back
EA1	all except 500 reis	Pedro II (uniform)	without arms
	500 reis	Pedro II (civilian suit, sm r)	without arms
EA2	except 100 & 200	Pedro II (civilian suit, r)	Imperial arms
	100 & 200	Pedro II (civilian suit, l)	Imperial arms

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Table 11: Design	teatures for	the four	American groups

Group	Denominations	Front	Back
EA3	2, 5, 10	Pedro II (civilian suit, r)	Imperial arms
	50	Pedro II (civilian suit, r)	scene
	500	Pedro II (civilian suit, r)	Pedro II
EA4	all	Pedro II (civilian suit, l)	various

Group EA1

In group EA1 (see Table 12) the notes from 1 to 50 mil reis all have a portrait of Pedro II in uniform on the front (see Figure 14). The 500 reis was the first issue of this new lowest denomination and was the last note issued in this group; it has a small civilian portrait of Pedro II (see Figure 13).

Table 12: Design Features for Group EA1

Denomination	Left Side	Top Centre	Right Side	Back
500 reis	Arms	Pedro II (suit, small r)	Lady with globe	without arms
1 mil reis	Pedro II	Ship, tree, train	Arms	without arms
	(uniform, r)			
2 mil reis	Pedro II	Arms	Trees	without arms
	(uniform, r)			
5 mil reis	seated woman	Arms with ship & train	Pedro II (uniform, r)	without arms
	& cupid			
10 mil reis	Pedro II	Agriculture & Justice	Trees	without arms
	(uniform, r)	with arms		
50 mil reis	Pedro II	Abundance	Arms	without arms
	(uniform, r)			



Figure 13: The 500 reis note (P-A242) of group EA1. This portrait of Pedro II was only used on this note. Image Credit: Stephen Prior



Figure 14: The 1 mil reis note (P-A244) of group EA1. The uniform portrait of Pedro II was only used on notes of this group. *Image Credit: Author's collection*

All six notes have the words "IMPERIO DO BRASIL" (Empire of Brazil), without the Imperial arms, on the back (see Figure 15).



Figure 15: The 1 mil reis note (P-A244) of group EA1. The back has the words "IMPERIO DO BRASIL" (Empire of Brazil), without the Imperial arms. *Image Credit: Author's collection*

Group EA2

The eight notes of group EA2 (see Table 13) all feature a close-up civilian portrait of Pedro II on the front (see Figure 16) and the Imperial Arms on the back with the words "IMPERIO DO BRASIL" around (see Figure 12).

Denomination	Left Side	Top Centre	Right Side	Back
500 reis	Reclining lady & arms	Pedro II (suit, r)	Seated lady & ship	Imperial arms
1 mil reis	Arms	Pedro II (suit, r)	Seated lady	Imperial arms
2 mil reis	Child & arms	Pedro II (suit, r)		Imperial arms
5 mil reis	Woman with	Pedro II (suit, r)	Man with sheep	Imperial arms
	wheatsheaf		& dog, arms	
10 mil reis	Liberty & arms	Pedro II (suit, r)	Goats	Imperial arms
20 mil reis	Pedro II (suit, r)	woman with tree	Seated woman	Imperial arms
		& arms		
100 mil reis	Arms	Pedro II (suit, l)	Isabel (l) (?)	Imperial arms
200 mil reis	Tree	Pedro II (suit, l)	Arms	Imperial arms

Table 13: Design Features for Group EA2

The portrait on most of the notes shows Pedro facing to the viewer's right; the two higher values have the identical portrait showing him facing the other way.



Figure 16: The 500 reis note (P-A243b) of group EA2. The portrait of Pedro II faces to the viewer's right. *Image Credit: Author's collection*

Group EA3

The five notes of group EA3 (see Table 14) all have the portrait of Pedro II facing to the viewer's right (see Figure 17). There is a mix of designs on the backs of the notes.

Denomination	Left Side	Top Centre	Right Side	Back
2 mil reis	Pedro II (suit, r)		Arms	Imperial arms
5 mil reis	Pedro II (suit, r)	Winged cupid	Arts, arms	Imperial arms
10 mil reis	Pedro II (suit, r)	Arms	Standing woman	Imperial arms
50 mil reis	Pedro II (suit, r)		Seated woman	Palace of São Cristóvão
500 mil reis	Arms	Pedro II (suit, r)	Seated woman	Pedro II

Table 14: Design Features for Group EA3



Figure 17: The 2 mil reis note (P-A256) of group EA3. The portrait of Pedro II again faces to the viewer's right. Image Credit: Stephen Prior



Figure 18: The 2 mil reis note (P-A256) of group EA3. The Imperial Arms are at left on the back. Image Credit: Stephen Prior

<u>Group EA4</u>

The four notes of group EA4 (see Table 15) all have the portrait of Pedro II facing to the viewer's left (see Figure 19). Three of the four notes have a scene on their backs (see Figure 20).

Table 15: Design Features for G	roup EA4
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Denomination	Left Side	Top Centre	Right Side	Back
1 mil reis	Imperial Palace	Arms	Pedro II (suit, l)	Equestrian statue
	_			Pedro I
2 mil reis	Pedro II (suit, l)		Carmo Church	Antiga Street, Rio de
				Janeiro
20 mil reis	Arms &		Pedro II (suit, l)	Imperial arms
	standing figures			_
200 mil reis	Beach or river scene	Pedro II (suit, l)	Arms	First Mission in Brazil



Figure 19: The 2 mil reis note (P-A260) of group EA4. This time the portrait of Pedro II faces to the viewer's left. Carmo Church (Church of our Lady of the Old Cathedral, Carmo, Rio de Janeiro) is on the right. *Image Credit:* Stacks Bowers Galleries–Auction: ANA-Session C–Lot No 30042



Figure 20: The 2 mil reis note (P-A260) of group EA4. There is a view of Antiga Street, Rio de Janeiro on the back. Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries–Auction: ANA-Session C–Lot No 30042

Portraits of Pedro II

Three different portraits of Pedro II were used on the American printed notes; these were all different from those used on the English printed notes. The uniformed portrait appears to be based on an 1864 portrait by Victor Meirelles.⁸ The small civilian portrait on the 500 reis of group EA1 appears to be based on an undated portrait.⁹





Portrait on 1 mil reis of group EA4 Image Credit: Stacks Bowers Galleries-Auction: August 2015 Chicago ANA-Lot No 32025

Portrait on 1 mil reis of group EA2 Image Credit: Author's collection

Figure 21: Portrait of Pedro II in a suit as shown on notes of groups EA2 to EA4.

The portrait used on the notes of groups EA2 to EA4 (see Figure 21) appears to be based on a photograph taken during Pedro's visit to the Philadelphia Fair in 1876.¹⁰ All the portraits of Pedro II that I have seen on the web shows that his hair is parted on his left; thus the notes showing him facing to the viewers left (100 and 200 mil reis of group EA2 and all notes of group EA4) are correct and those showing him facing to the viewer's right (500 reis to 20 mil reis of group EA2 and all notes of group EA3) have had the portrait flipped.

⁸ https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Victor_Meirelles_-_Pedro_II.jpg (Wikimedia Commons)

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