

Buried Treasure

by Pinkney Gage



Round 1868 Papal Stamp Found to Have Low Value

The picture was that of a Pope, but obviously not of the reigning Pontiff.

The serene features shown in the steel engraving that had been only slightly discolored with the passing years were those of Pope Pius IX, the first to become known as the "Prisoner of the Vatican."

I tried to read the faded print below the picture but could only make out the date 1868. Alongside the printing was an inscription in an Italian hand so fine I couldn't read it. I noticed beside it a small frame containing a letter and a couple of envelopes.

The writing on these, too, I couldn't read, except for the address—a Signor Giovanni d'Accampio.

The stamps on the envelopes were identical, except that one had been cancelled and the other hadn't.

The stamp was round, like so many put out by the Papal States

that were taken over in the creation of modern Italy. The color was a copper red on a glazed paper. Around the border was the legend Franco Bollo Postale—20 Cent. In the inner circle of the stamp was the symbolic triple crown of the Papacy—the tiara—and the crossed keys.

While I was looking at them, Rinaldo, my friend, entered the room quietly.

"I've often wondered about those stamps," he said. "Have you any idea of what they're worth?"

Because of an especial interest of long standing in the Papal States I was able to tell him.

"Both stamps—fortunately—lack a period after the numeral '0,'" I said. "That means the unused one is worth around \$50 and the used about \$1.75."

"That's not much," Rinaldo replied, "but just the same, it's a shame my grandfather didn't send more letters home on his first visit to Romagna back in 1868."

'HUCKLEBERRY FINN' FIRST PUBLISHED IN ENGLAND

It was a good clean copy, bound in green cloth, of "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn."

But it wasn't satisfactory to the rather languid, evidently well off fellow who had asked to see a first edition of Mark Twain's celebrated work.

"You really don't consider this a first edition, do you?" he asked.

The clerk replied that it was. "The test," he said, "is the use of 'instead of' in line 23 of page 57. If it has that, and the book is dated New York 1885, it is a first edition despite the various other marks that indicate different states of the first edition."

"Quite so," said the customer without bothering to look at page 57 held open before him.

AUCTION AROUSED BY IRON PLANT STAND

Up to the appearance of the iron plant stand, the auction had been a spiritless affair.

But the plant stand aroused them as surely as an electric shock.

"We don't know who made this," said the auctioneer, "but it came from one of the oldest houses on the Cape where for years it held its quota of plants."

The piece consisted of an iron rod which was held in a socket device supported by a tripod. One third the way up the rod was a tier of ten holders with an overall diameter to it of nearly a yard. Halfway above that was another tier of somewhat under

two feet in diameter. The holders on the second were for pots of about five inches width, those on the lower about seven.

At the very top of the rod, which terminated nearly five feet from the floor, was a gracefully shaped bowl, also of iron, very nearly nine inches in diameter.

When the auctioneer called for bids after his little demonstration, the first offer of \$5 was quickly swamped with raises. In no time at all, the contest was over on a top bid of \$115.

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