



Collection#: 207  
 Condition: Excellent

**\$200**

**25¢ fractional currency proof notes.**

Pair of proof impressions of the 25¢

fractional currency series, first issue. Very scarce. At the outbreak of the Civil War, public confidence in paper currency fell and the populace began to hoard coins. To satisfy the need for small denominational currency, people began to paste uncanceled postage stamps to cards and use them as currency, utilizing the same trade value as the uncanceled stamps.

Eventually the Federal Government issued "Fractional Currency" which was patterned after these postage stamp items. Prior to issuance of the new Fractional Currency, the government printed "proof sets" showing both face and obverse of the note, and sent them to banks as templates to prepare the bank for receipt of the new currency in circulation, and to use for comparison against possible counterfeits. Some of the proofs were affixed to a template shield and as a group were displayed in the banks.

This pair of proofs show both face and obverse of the 25¢ note which was about to be issued. Small residue of paper and paste on the reverse sides seems to indicate that they were likely attached to a paper shield at one time in the past. Mint condition otherwise. Approximately 2,000 printed.



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 Condition: Fine

**\$80**

**10¢ Fractional Currency 2nd Series.**

Scene of riverboat and railroad with bust of George Washington. Two vignettes with 10 either side. Issued in place of coin, due to shortage caused by hoarding of coins during the Civil War. With surcharge 18 - 63 in lower reverse corners. Friedberg #1245.



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**\$50**

**25¢ fractional currency 4th series.**

1863. Bust of George Washington, 25¢ note. Very fine condition with only minor

fold. Measures 1 7/8" X 3 3/4" black and red ink on front, green print cloverleaf scrolls on reverse. Friedberg #1302