## 1888 - Scott 129-131:





Example of Genuine

Issues of 1890-1897 (Scott 132-155):

The only known forgeries exist perforated 14.5.



Example of Genuine



10 olive Br

16 Ultra



slake 136



138 Rose

139 Clare 1

140 21/20

141 21/20

14×1×2

143 2/2 rose



am 145





(48 100 claret



150 20 € dk vio

151 200 UITE



153 20c violet

154 40c orang

155 80€ lilac by

Forgeries

CUBA

Scott 172-175 (1898)



Attributed to François Fournier

Forgeries

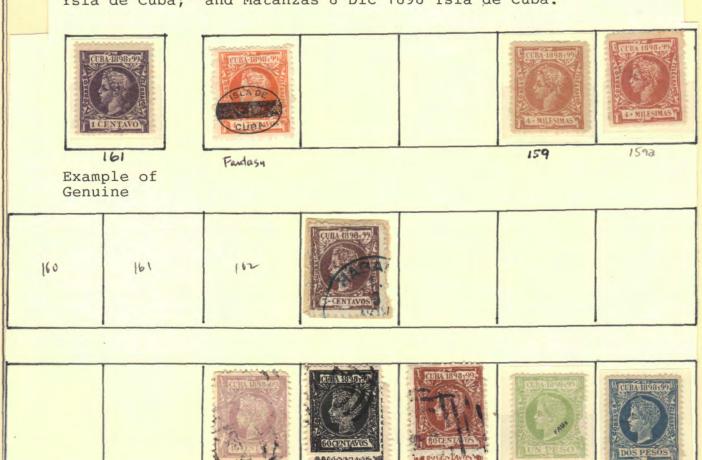
Issue of 1898 (Scott 156-175):

Many forgeries of this issue exist, particularly of the higher values. All seen so far have been philatelic. Owing to their variations, they will be described separately.

The 4 millesimas forgery is on a grayish rather than a white paper. The letter "A" of "CUBA" is shorter than the other letters. The hyphen after "CUBA" is shorter than on the genuine. These were printed in panes of 25 and perforated 13.

The 6 centavo forgery is lithographed in a pale milky blue. The "Y" between "1898" and "1899" is very short and does not reach to the middle of the "8."

Because these stamps were in use a very short period time, especially the higher values—60c, 80c., 1P., 2P.—they are scarce in used as well as mint condition. They have all been forged by Fournier in Geneva. Although there are many smaller differences between the forgeries and genuine stamps, a key to identification of the forgeries is the small scroll at the center bottom of the stamp. In the forgeries it is completely white, while on genuine stamps the bottom half of the scroll is shaded. Forged cancels were also applied to the Geneva forgeries, consisting of a 27mm circular postmark reading: "Habana 2 Julio 1898 Ysla de Cuba;" "Santa Clara 3 Enero 1899 Ysla de Cuba;" and Matanzas 8 Dic 1898 Ysla de Cuba."



Forgeries

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