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Hi Mr. Whitehead:

Enclosed are your nine **1881 O** Morgan dollars you sent to me for examination plus computer prints of photographs of new/revised varieties taken with a digital camera thru a stereo microscope. Quite a few *new* varieties! Sorry again for delay in getting coins back to you-- had other commitments and takes time to find good die markers and take the many good photos thru slabs. **Good** that Baumgart screens coins first to point out possible new varieties, which they usually are!

Of course there are already a number of Guides on single dates-- 1878 P 8TF, 1878 P 7TF, 1878 P 7TF Rev 79, 1878 CC, 1878 S, 1902 O & 1904 O plus collectors working on 1883 P & 1885 P. Except for 78 Guides, market very limited of single date Guides so far.

My comments on the coins are as follows:

- PCGS 8874**-- *New* VAM 57. Yes, has unlisted dbl ear at rt inside and bottom. III O m/m set slightly left of C³l rev with middle of eagle's rt wing overpolished.
- PCGS 60214**-- *New* VAM 58. Unlisted dbl top of left 8. Used die markers Baumgart suggested. Rev normal II O m/m with nothing significant to list.
- PCGS 8459**-- *New* VAM 59. Normal obv with dbl rev of C³n. Identified some die markers.
- PCGS 8375**-- *New* VAM 60. Unlisted shallow O/O Left that is also set left. Slightly dbl OF AMERICA. Same obv die as coin 8459.
- PCGS 8266**-- *New* VAM 61. Yes, has same obv die as VAM 34A. Clash marks on obv, so agree is later die state than 34A. Doesn't have die scratches & chips of 34A rev. Different rev die than 34 & 34A. Same rev die as VAM 54 with thread-like die impression and O set left. New die combo.
- PCGS 2533**-- *New* VAM 62. Unlisted dbl date, earlobe & OF AMERICA on rev. Identified some die markers.
- PCGS 2887**-- *New* VAM 61. Same obv & rev dies as coin 8266 with same dbl 18 & thread-like die impression first rt leaf cluster of rt wreath.
- PCGS 8467**-- VAM 1. Machine dblg lower rev including O m/m. No significant die dblg on date, breaks or gouges.
- PCS 6558**-- VAM 1. Same obv & rev dies as 8467 coin, but less machine dblg. Doesn't have dblg at bottom inside of O m/m of VAM 11 using 30X stereo microscope.

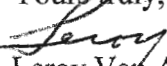
The descriptions of the new die varieties listings are as follows:

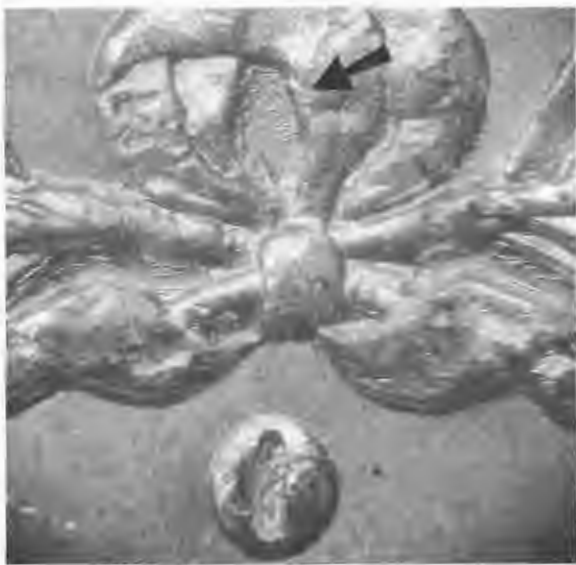
1881 O

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| 57 | III²38 • C³l (Doubled Ear Right Inside, O Set Left) | (?) | I-2 | R-5 |
| | Obverse III²38 -- Slightly doubled ear at right inside and earlobe bottom. <i>Die marker</i> - Slight roughness at base of I in LIBERTY. | | | |
| | Reverse C³l -- II O mint mark set slightly to left with middle of eagle's right wing overpolished. | | | |
| 58 | III²39 • C³a (Doubled Left 8) | (?) | I-2 | R-5 |
| | Obverse III²39 -- Slightly doubled left 8 at top outside and inside of upper loop. <i>Die marker</i> - Some fine die pitting at back of Liberty head neck. Several diagonal polishing lines on right leg of R in LIBERTY. | | | |
| 59 | III²1 • C³n (Doubled Reverse Legend & Motto) | (?) | I-2 | R-5 |
| | Obverse III²1 -- Left 8 has short die chip at top left inside of upper loop. <i>Die marker</i> - Couple vertical polishing lines in Y of LIBERTY. | | | |
| | Reverse C³n -- Polishing lines top inside of wreath bow. | | | |
| 60 | III²1 • C³r (Doubled OF AMERICA, O/O Left & Set Left) | (?) | I-2 | R-5 |
| | Obverse III²1 -- Same die as VAM 59. | | | |
| | Reverse C³r -- Slightly doubled OF AMERICA towards rim. II O mint mark very slightly doubled as shallow bar with curved top at left inside with mint mark set left. <i>Die marker</i> - Fine diagonal polishing lines at eagle's left sin-neck gap. | | | |

- 61 **III²³ • C³1 (Doubled 18, O Set Left)** (?) I-2 R-5
Obverse III²³– Rusted die raised dots on Liberty head. Some die clash marks. Occurred after VAM 34A. *Die marker*– Single vertical polishing line at left end of cap ribbon.
Reverse C³1– Fine raised dots from rusted die on eagle. Thread-like curved die impression on lower leaf cluster of right wreath. Same die as VAM 54.
- 62 **III⁴⁰ • C³s (Doubled Date, Ear Bottom and Upper Reverse)** (?) I-2 R-5
Obverse III⁴⁰– Slightly doubled date with left 1 at bottom edge of lower crossbar, left 8 at top inside and right outside of upper loop, right 8 at top right inside of upper loop and right 1 at top edge. Ear doubled at bottom of earlobe. *Die marker*– Single diagonal polishing line at lower right of L in LIBERTY.
Reverse C³s– Slightly doubled OF AMERICA, motto letters and some right wreath leaves towards rim. *Die marker*– Diagonal die scratch thru d of God.

Thanks again for sharing your varieties!

Yours truly,

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1881 O VAM 59 Die marker - Polishing Lines Wreath Bow



1881 O VAM 60 O/O Doubled Left, Set Left



1881 O VAM 60 Doubled AMERICA



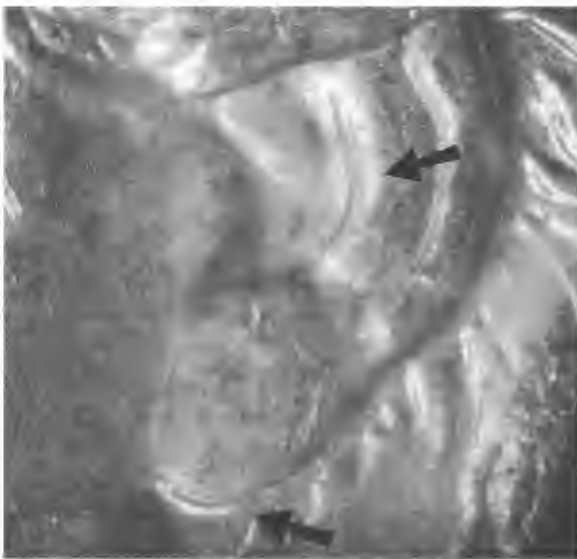
1881 O VAM 60 Die marker - Polishing Lines Wng-Neck Gap



1881 O VAM 62 Doubled 18



1881 O VAM 62 Doubled 81



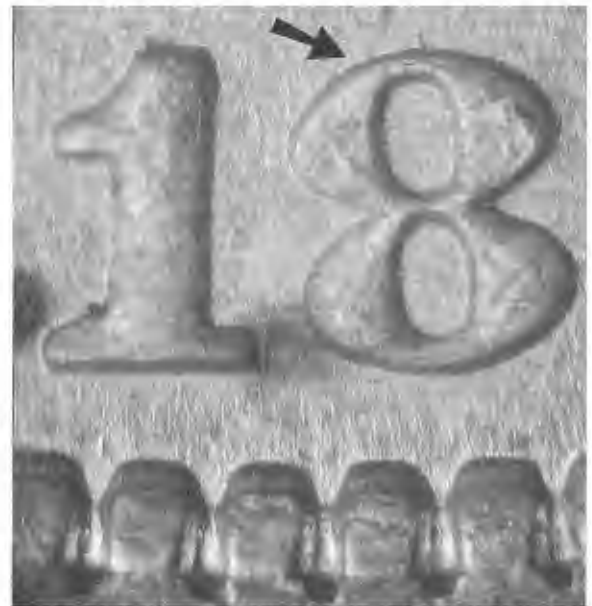
1881 O VAM 57 Doubled Ear



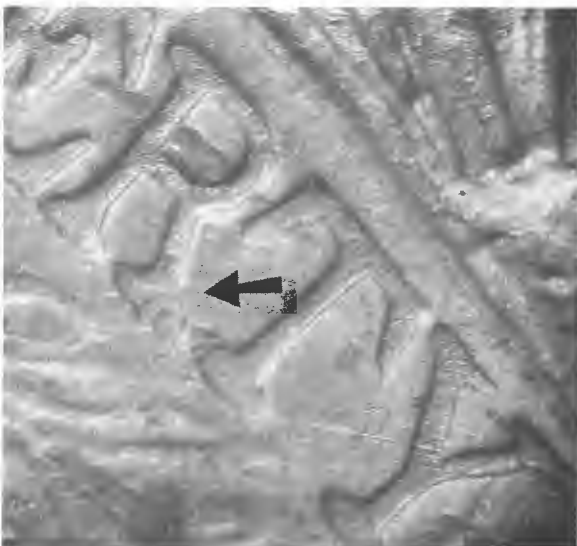
1881 O VAM 57 Die marker- Roughness | Base



1881 O VAM 57 Overpolished Eagle's Wing Middle



1881 O VAM 58 Slightly Doubled Left 8 Top



1881 O VAM 58 Die marker- Polishing Lines R



1881 O VAM 59 Die marker- Polishing Lines Y



1881 O VAM 61 Die marker- Polishing Line Left End Cap Ribbon



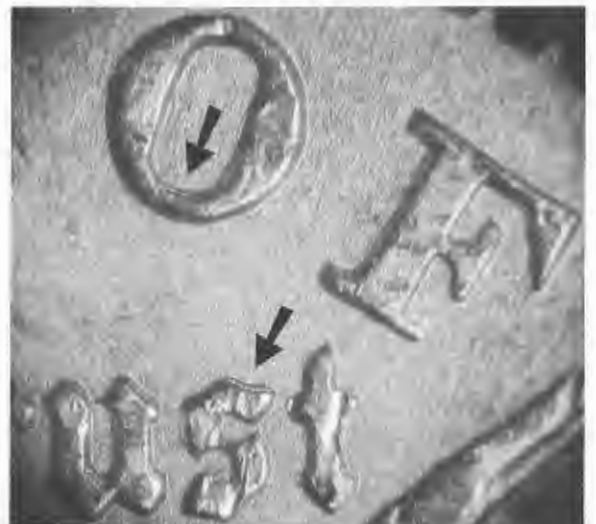
1881 O VAM 62 Die marker- Polishing Line L



1881 O VAM 62 Doubled Earlobe



1881 O VAM 62 Die marker- Die Scratch of God



1881 O VAM 62 Doubled OF & Motto