



# R. W. MERCER'S



## NATURAL HISTORY STORE,

Minerals, Fossils, Shells, Corals, &c. Mound Pottery, Pipes, Ornaments, Beads, & Hematites,

Stone Axes, Anvils, Pestles, Peelers, Rollers, Skin dressers &c. Flint Spades, Hoes, Knives, Spear and Arrow Points, Drills &c.

Coins and Medals, Continental, Colonial and Confederate Bills,

RARE BOOKS, AUTOGRAPHS, MANUSCRIPTS, ETCHINGS &c. OIL PAINTINGS, IMAGES, IDOLS, STATUARY, OLD CHINA CURIOUSITIES AND ALL BRICK-A-BRACK.

Cincinnati, Ohio. U. S. A. May 3rd 1877

Curator of Archaeology

Yale College

New Haven, Conn.

Dr Sir - I make a specialty of fine Archaeological specimens such as Pipes and Pottery, Ornaments &c. in large lots. At present I have to offer 100 pieces of Elegant Pottery all in good condition and no two pieces alike in size or form.

I don't suppose there was ever <sup>offered</sup> a lot of its size any richer in images. The least that will buy the 100 best pieces is \$1500. or Choice of \$50 pieces \$1000. Unless sold very soon it will be sent to the Paris exhibition.

I have some good Stone and Flint implements to offer say about \$500. worth.

I have no Pipes, Hematites or Ornaments that I care to offer at present.

If you do not wish to purchase will you refer me to persons who do and oblige Yours Resp.

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Cincinnati, Ohio. U. S. A. Feb 19th 1877

Prof. Marsh

New Haven Conn

Dear Sir - I have for sale a private Collection of Mound Pottery consisting of over 100. elegant pieces that can be bought for 1000 if sold at an early date. The collection is rich in imageries of Bears, Birds, Fish, Frogs (Persons) and other animals. I have some good duplicates outside of this lot that I will sell in broken lots. Any one wanting to purchase must apply early as I shall send them to Europe if not sold very soon.

Respectfully  
R. W. Mercer



# **Wanted to Buy, Sell, or Exchange!**

All kinds of Indian Relics, such as Pipes, Pottery, Pestles, Peelers, Axes, Anvils, Hammer Stones, Spear and Arrow Points, Ornamental Pieces, &c., &c.

Also, Choice Minerals, Precious Stones and Rare Petrifications, Old Paintings and Etchings, Rare Old Books, Autographs, Old Gold and Silver, and, in fact, anything

## **OLD, RARE, OR CURIOUS.**

As I am making a Special Collection of Mound Pipes, Pots, Hematite Relics, and Ornaments, I would be glad to buy or exchange anything in my line for them.

## **WANTED! U. S. SILVER COINS.**

**DOLLARS.** — All Silver Dollars are worth a premium above currency values if in fine condition.

The following Dates being more rare, command the highest premiums, viz: 1794, 1804, 1836, 1838, 1839, 1851, 1852, 1854 and 1858.

**HALF DOLLARS.** — Dated 1794, 1796, 1797, 1801, 1802, 1804, 1815, 1851 and 1852 command premiums.

**QUARTER DOLLARS.** — Dated 1796, 1804, 1815, 1823 and 1827 command premiums.

**DIMES.** — All dates from 1794 to 1811 inclusive, also 1822, 1844 and 1846 command premiums.

**HALF DIMES.** — All dates from 1794 to 1805 inclusive, also 1844 and 1846 command premiums.

I buy and sell Confederate Money, Scrip, Bonds, Postage Stamps, Copper Heads, Sutler's Checks and all Tokens of the Rebellion, also Metal Store cards and Continental Money.

Wanted Revenue Stamps, such as Document, Match, Medicine, Proprietary, Playing Card, Bill of Lading, Passage Ticket, Exchange, Beer Tobacco, &c.

Wanted Confederate Bills issued at Montgomery in 1861.

\$1000 Confederate Money Post free \$2.00. 100 Cockel Shells for Graves or Yards \$1.00. Couch Shells 20 cts. each, Per. Doz. \$2.00.

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**No. 117 West Sixth St.**

**CINCINNATI, O. U. S.**

P. S. I do not buy Relics I have not seen, as all depends on perfection, symmetrical beauty, form or size. If sent on approval at reasonable prices I will buy. Goods or Cash will be returned at once.



# PRICE LIST OF COPPER CENTS. AND HALF CENTS.

Date	Var.	Poor	Fair	Good
1793	Chain	1 00	3 00	6 00
1793	Wreath	1 00	3 00	5 00
1793	L. Cap	2 00	4 00	8 00
1794		15	40	1 00
1795	Thick P.	25	50	1 50
1795	Thin P.	20	40	1 00
1796	L. Cap	25	50	1 50
1796	F. Head	25	50	2 00
1797		15	25	1 00
1798		10	25	50
1799	Rare			
1800		10	25	50
1801		10	25	50
1802		10	25	50
1803		5	10	25
1804		2 00	4 00	6 00
1805		25	75	1 00
1806		25	75	1 50
1807		5	15	30
1808		25	50	1 00
1809		25	75	1 50
1810		10	25	50
1811		25	75	1 50
1812		10	20	50
1813		20	50	1 00
1814		10	20	50
1816		5	10	25
1817		5	10	25
1818		5	10	15
1819		5	10	15
1820		5	10	15
1821		10	25	50
1823		10	25	50
1824			10	25
1857		10	25	50

25 Foreign Coins all different for 40 cents  
 25 Foreign Stamps all different for 15 cents.  
 50 Foreign Stamps all different for 40 cents.  
 50 Good representative Minerals properly named all different \$2.50.  
 20 Revenue Stamps all different post free 25 cents.

Date	Var.	Poor	Fair	Good
1793		1 00	2 00	4 00
1794		50	1 00	2 50
1795	Thick P.	50	1 00	1 50
1795	Thin P.	25	50	1 00
1797		25	75	1 50
1800		25	50	75
1802		1 00	2 00	3 00
1803		10	20	30
1804		10	15	30
1805		10	25	50
1806		10	25	50
1807		10	25	50
1808		10	25	50
1809		5	10	25
1810		25	1 00	2 00
1811		1 00	1 50	3 00
1825		5	10	15
1826		5	10	15
1828	12 Stars	10	15	25
1828	13 "	5	10	20
1829		10	15	30
1832		5	10	20
1833		5	10	15
1834		5	10	15
1835		5	10	15
1837		25	50	1 00
1849	L. Date	5	10	25
1850		5	10	25
1851		5	10	25
1853		5	10	25
1854		5	10	25
1855		5	10	25
1856		5	10	25
1857		5	10	25

Cents of 1822, 1825 to 1856 Good 5 cents each, Half Cents of 1796, 1831, 1836, 1840 to 1849 small date, and 1852 are very rare and scarce.

Continental Bills and Colonial Cents, from 25 cents to \$1.00 each.

I buy all cents and half cents selling for over 10 cents at 30 per cent less than list prices.

## I BUY AND SELL THE FOLLOWING COINS

Colonial Coins, coined by and for the different Colonies, and subsequently by the States previous to the establishment of the U. S. Mint, in 1793. Among these are coins of Massachusetts, Vermont, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Carolina, Kentucky, Louisiana. Besides these miscellaneous coins or tokens, mostly got up by private enterprise, and valuable to coin collectors and antiquarians: among which may be mentioned, in particular, the Washington Coins, coined in 1783, 1785. 1791, 1792 and other years, mostly to 1800. Also the Rosa Americana, Georgius Triumpho, Granby or Higley Copper, Pitt token, Franklin Press Cent, Nova Constelatio, Immunis Columbia, and a great many others. For Coin Price List address with stamp,

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## CURIOSITIES, MEDALS, &c.

- 48 Early and Fine Bronze Medals, of the Elgin Marbles. They are about two inches in diameter, in velvet-lined mahogany case with lock and key. (See Lord Elgin in any Encyclopedia.) Rare. Price .....\$80.00.
- 36 Wedgewood Medallions of English Kings and Queens. Over one and a half inches in diameter, in elegant, velvet-lined morocco case, with lock and key. Price.....\$60.00.
- 17 Polished Fragments of Ancient Marbles of Columns of Entablature, &c., from Lipeda, near Thebes, and deposited in the British Museum, together with the head of Minerva, brought to England the same period. They will average one and a half by three inches in size and are set in wood in a nice mahogany case. Rare and desirable. Price .....\$35.00.
- 24 Polished Jaspers, from England, cut uniform and polished on all sides. Handsome cabinet specimens. Price.....\$10.00.
- 1 Svo Manuscript Testament, in Latin, beautifully written on fine Vellum, about 1250, A. D. It is elegantly illuminated with red, blue, black and green ink, elegantly rebound in Turkey. Would bring \$100.00 easily but is slightly imperfect in beginning and ending. Price .....\$50.00.
- 1 large German Lutheran Bible, and testament, elegantly printed in 1712, with many beautiful illustrations. In good condition. Price .....\$15.00.
- A very fine Japanese Idol, a dragon carved in a beautiful red and white stone, in good condition, weighs over three pounds. Price.....\$15.00.
- A Perfect Lower Jaw of a Porpoise, containing over ninety teeth. There are engraved on the outsides of the jaw two female figures. Price.....\$10.00.
- A Fiji Islander's War Club, over three and a half feet in length, somewhat gun-shaped, made of Lignum Vitæ and wrapped with sea-grass line. Price.....\$10.00.
- A Fiji Islander's Girdle, worn about the loins. It is elegantly made of coconut bark. Price .....\$10.00.
- A South Sea Islander's Sharks-tooth Sword, sixteen teeth, a very formidable and dangerous weapon. Price.....\$10.00.
- A Fine, large Whale's Tooth, elegantly engraved. The design is a Golden Pheasant, beautiful flowers, butterfly, &c. Price...\$6.00.
- A South Sea Islander's Blanket, made of the pulps of bark, about fifteen inches wide by four feet in length. Price.....\$6.00.
- Indian Buck-kin, Beaded Tobacco Pouch, or fire bag. Good condition. Price.....\$5.00.
- Indian Bow and Arrows. Price.....\$5.00.
- Same with Quiver and case for bow. Price.....\$10.00.
- A Society Islander's Basket, very ingeniously made. Price.....\$2.00.

## ANCIENT ROMAN COINS.

- Large Coin, Ptolemy I. of Egypt, 265 B. C. In splendid condition. Price.....\$10.00.
- Coin of Alexander the Great, 355 B. C., over one inch in diameter, fair. Price.....\$5.00.
- Coin of Antonius Pius, born A. D. 86, became Emperor A. D. 138, reigned 23 years, good condition. Also coin of Faustina, his wife, married A. D. 141. Fine piece. Also coin of Faustina, daughter of the above, who married Marcus Aurelius. Fine Condition. The three pieces, larger than the above. Price.....\$10.00.
- Coin of Trajan, born A. D. 52, became Caesar A. D. 97, died 117, larger than the above. Good pieces. Price.....\$3.00.
- Comodus, Emperor Rome, A. D. 180, fine. Price .....\$3.00.
- Vespasian, born A. D. 9, good. Price...\$2.00.
- Maximinus, Emp. Rome A. D. 235.....\$2.50.
- I have many others in poor to fair condition at from 75c. up to \$1.50 each.
- Coin Price-List sent on application.

## RARE SILVER COINS, &c.

- Crown Dollar, 1671, of Leopold I. Emperor of Germany, King of Hungary, King of Bohemia. He reigned 49 years. Uncirculated. Price .....\$3.00.
- Crown Dollar, 1616, of Frederick V. of Bohemia. Very good condition .....\$7.00.
- Crown Dollar of Charles II, 1666, in good condition .....\$4.00.
- Crown Dollar of William III, 1696, very fair condition. Price .....\$3.50.
- Dollar of Republic of Peru, 1838, fine. Price .....\$3.00.
- Dollar of Republic of Bolivia, 1832, fine. Price.....\$3.00.
- Crowned Eagle Dollar of Mexico, 1823. Price .....\$2.50.
- Dollar of Brazil, S. A., 1815, fine. Price.....\$2.50.
- Spanish Dollar, 1813, fine. Price.....\$2.00.
- Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, a very rare Colonial piece, barely fair. Price.....\$3.00.
- Washington Medal, Time Increases His Fame, cent size, good. Price.....\$5.00.
- American Proof Sets almost always in stock.

## ELECTROTYPES OF RARE PIECES.

- Washington Military Medal of 1775. Uncirculated condition, over one and a half inches in diameter. Price .....\$2.00.
- Martha Washington Penny, 1792 in fine uncirculated condition. Price.....\$2.00.
- Washington Penny, 1792, fine. Price ..\$2.00.
- Washington Half Penny, 1793 fine and rare. Price .....\$2.50.
- Washington Penny, 1291, fine. Price.....\$2.00.
- Washington Farthing, 1791, Rattlesnake, reverse with motto, "Don't Tread on Me," very fine. Price.....\$2.00.
- Colonial Cent, 1787, Immunity Columbia, fine. ....\$1.50.
- Colonial Cent, 1785, Confederatio, fine. Price.....\$1.50.
- Kentucky Cent, fine. Price.....\$1.00.

The above are fac similies of those rare, scarce pieces that sell at such extraordinary rates that but few are able to own them. Cannot be told from the genuine only by ringing or cutting. I have marked them all down at actual cost.

Will exchange the above for choice and perfect Mound Relics, such as Pottery, Pipes, Ornaments, Spades, Hoes, Copper Relics, Spear Heads, or anything fine and desirable. Early Histories of States wanted.

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*PRICE-LIST OF INDIAN RELICS.*

	POOR.	FAIR.	GOOD.
Arrow Points, - per Doz.	\$ 25	\$ 50	\$ 1.00
Shell Beads, - - " "	10	20	50
Bone Beads, - - " "	25	50	1.00
Copper Beads, - - " "	50	75	1.50
Flint Scrapers, - - " "	25	50	1.00
Flint Knives, - - " "	50	1.00	2.00
Flint Chisels, - - " "	1.00	2 00	3.00
Ungrooved Stone Axes " "	1.50	2.50	5.00
Grooved Stone Axes, " "	3.00	5.00	10 00
Flint Gouges, - - " "	1.50	2.50	5.00
Stone Pestles, - - " "	3 00	5.00	10.00
Stone Anvils, - - - each	25	50	1.00
Stone Balls, - - - " "	25	50	1 00

Photographs of eight or ten pieces of Pottery that I have for sale or exchange, sent at cost, 25 cts., and stamp. I will exchange anything in my line for any of the above relics if they are in fair or good condition. I will exchange Pottery for early Histories of States if in perfect condition; or for perfect Pipes, Hematites, Ornaments, Copper Implements, or, in fact, anything fine that will improve my collection.

Quarterly Trade List, Coin Price List, &c., sent on receipt of stamp.

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