



Young Numismatist's Monthly Discussion The U.S. "Half Dime"

1. When and where were the first half dimes struck?
How many were produced? How many (approx.) are likely to still exist?
 2. What are some rumors and facts surrounding these first half dimes?
 3. When (what year) were the "Flowing Hair" half dimes struck?
 4. Which other denominations featured that design?
 5. The "Draped Bust" design was also used on copper coins.
What is significant about the "small eagle reverse"?
 6. What change was made starting in 1800? How many half dimes were produced dated 1804?
 7. Which years were the "Capped Bust" half dimes produced? Whose design was used? Who was the engraver?
 9. What was the final design (including varieties) for the half dime? What are some of those varieties, which mint(s) produced them, and what year was the final year of production?
 10. Who was the primary designer of the "Seated Liberty" half dime (and other denominations in the series)?
- Bonus:** Why are half dimes not referred to as "nickels"; they are a five cent denomination?