

HIRSCHBURGER FORGERIES OF FRENCH COLONIES NAVIGATION AND COMMERCE ISSUES OF 1892 - 1913



Block of six of Hirschburger forgeries



Forgery

Large fruit is not well defined



Genuine

Large fruit well defined

The Swiss Forger Charles Hirschburger reproduced the common design used by the 29 French colonies and with many different values.

A number of fake surcharges also exist. We will show them later.

Mercury (right figure) does not have a navel. The forgeries are perforated 13.5 X 14. These are often wrongly attributed to François Fournier.

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