

GAME & CALIFORNIA COUNTERS - CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH

These remarkable coins were all made to look like American gold coins and were used in a variety of games during the California gold rush period, circa 1848-1865. They were thought to be used mostly for gambling, but no contemporary correspondence has been found citing the use of these coins. Most of the game counters were made in Germany.



2867. Game Counters. \$2.50 Gold Coin Sized Game Counters. Lot of 6 pcs. Includes 4 different varieties. All have condition problems. Two are holed. Good to Fine. Est. \$175-350

2868. Game Counters. \$20 Gold Coin Sized Game Counters, 1850-1860. Lot of 8 pcs. Four are holed at top. The remaining are worn or have condition problems. Est. \$150-300

2869. Game Counters. \$1 Gold Coin Sized Game Counters. Lot of 2 pcs. One is holed at top. Both are vf-xf. Rare. Est. \$50-150

2870. Game Counters. Set of Game Counters. Lot of 4 pcs. \$1 Gold Coin Sized game counter. \$10 Gold Coin Sized Philadelphia game counter. Two \$20 Gold Coin Sized game counters. One is counterstamped "WKJ-1885". All Very Good. Est. \$100-200

2871. Game Counters. \$10 Gold Coin Sized Game Counters. Lot of 3 pcs. Two different varieties. Two are holed with minor original gilt. All are fine to very fine. Est. \$75-150

2872. Game Counters. Set of Three Game Counters, c. 1850-60. \$5, \$10 & \$20 Gold Sized Game Counters. Vf. Est. \$75-150

2873. Game Counters. Set of Six Game Counters, c. 1850-60. Two \$5, \$10 & Three \$20 Gold Coin Game Counters. Generally all very good. Est. \$150-300

2874. No Lot.



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The California counters have some specific attribute that ties the piece to California. If they do not say California, they are considered game counters, rather than California counters. Some of the California pieces have California merchant names, and some have eastern merchant names, particularly New York.

2875. California Counters. \$5 Gold Coin Sized California Counters. Lot of 3 pcs. One has 50% gilt remaining and is holed. The other two are fine to very fine. Reverse of all three coins has a miner panning gold with "California" at top. Est. \$150-300



2876. California Counters. California Counters, 1847 & 1849. One is \$5 gold coin sized with "California Counter" and American flag on reverse, obverse is very fine to xf showing date of 1847 and Lady Liberty. The second is \$20 gold coin sized with heavy wear to obverse center, date is clear and a ship near top is partially clear, reverse has California Token with eagle at center. Good to fine. Est. \$75-150

2877. Coins. Misc US Coin Collection. Lot of 71 pcs. Most of the coins have condition problems. These would be great as a museum or house display. Early Quarters (3 pcs) dated 1854, 1876 & 1915. Early half dimes (2 pcs) dated 1838-1900. "V" nickels (30 pcs) dated 1880-1900. Shield nickel (1 pcs). Buffalo nickels, both dated 1913. 3 cent pieces made of nickel (3 pcs). 3 cent pieces (2 pcs). Flying eagle cent. Indian Head pennies (27 pcs). Est. \$75-150

