

# New Hampshire

Old Home Week originated in New Hampshire and the first seals were issued in that state for the 1899 celebration, the first in the nation. These were printed in sheets ten wide. The height is unknown. An inscription at the base of the sheet reads *These stamps can be furnished in any quantity by Chas. H. Stone, 3 Capitol St., Concord, N. H.* Oddly, this inscription is found even at the bottom of sheets when the Stone inscription on the individual stamps has been obliterated. Both statewide and local issues are known. The latest known seals were issued in 1950.

## Statewide Issues

1899. Roulette with printer's name at base, 24 x 31.5 mm.

**NH1** – blue design and red map

**NH2** – blue design and red-orange map

**NH3** – like NH2 but perf. 11

Trial color proofs, imperforate.

**NHP1** – blue design, white map, light slick paper

**NHP2** – blue design, white map on darker newsprint like paper

**NHP3** – pale olive design, white map

**NHP4** – as above, but roulette

**NHP5** – pale olive design, red-orange map

**NHP6** – green design, red-orange map



Printer's waste. Right and left halves of the design printed in brown on the back of an imperforate copy of the issued stamp.



1899. Roulette with printer's name obliterated with thin blue line.

**NH4** – blue design and red map

**NH5** – blue design and red-orange map