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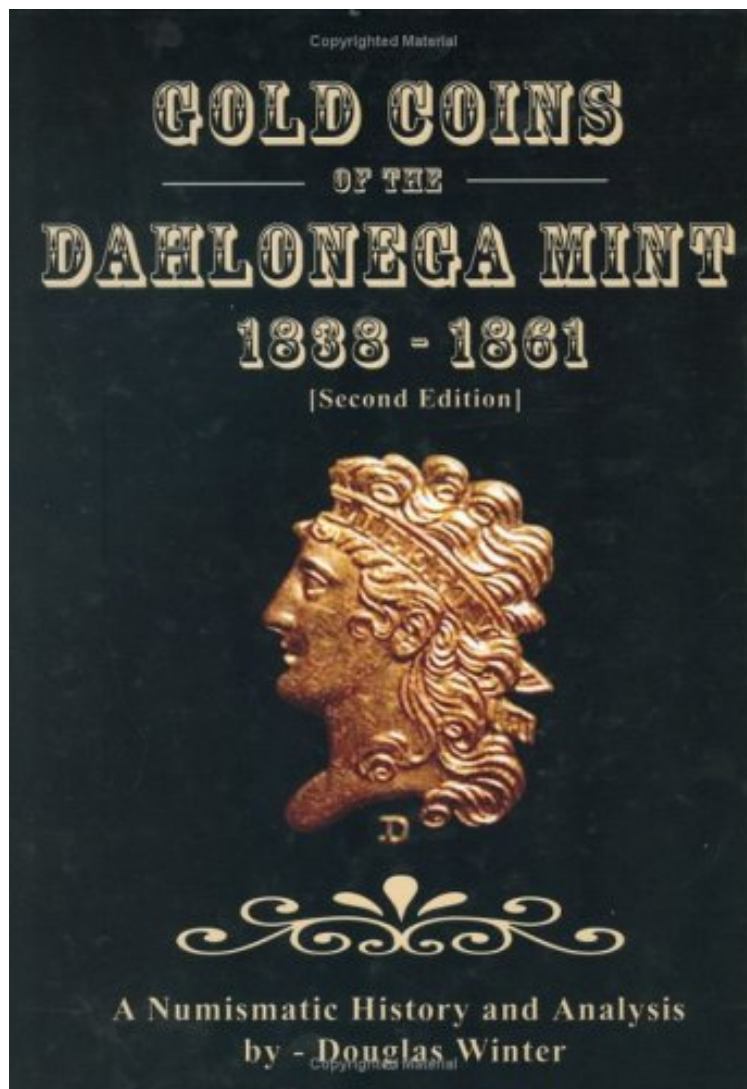
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## **Gold Coins of the Dahlonega Mint: 1838-1861**

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Neptism...A Bad IdeaBy Sebastian MelmothThere is much to like in this book. It is scholarly in its approach to population data condition, census data, and rarity estimates. It discusses well various die varities, and the history surrounding the mint, although brief, is informative. It is in the area of photography that this book falls dismally flat. It is, after all, a book on gold coins, and one of the major appeals of gold has historically been its color. Yet there is not one single color photograph in the book. They are all black and white, almost thumbnail in size, grainy and lacking in

detail. When photos are enlarged to show some detail, a D/D for example, they fail to adequately illustrate the variety they are meant to. Compare this to some other similar books, David Lange's "Complete Guide" series for example, and you will see what a disservice these photographs do to the rest of the book. The photographer is listed as Mary Winter, who I presume is related to the author, probably his wife. While it's a noble goal to offer employment to a family member, maybe some other task should have been offered her rather than make her the photographer on what otherwise would have been a fine book. Having said that, I am still glad I have it for the information it provides, ergo the three stars, that, with better photographs, would have been five.6 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Complete and accurate By SageRad Doug Winter's updated reference on Dahlonge gold is a superb work and a vast improvement over the previous edition. The information on strike, color, surfaces, luster, and eye appeal are complemented by interesting "personal observations" and updated information on die varieties. Of course, the condition census is a moving target but believed to be current at the time of publication. There has been some criticism of the photography. Actually, Mary Winter is a superb gold coin photographer, and I have seen color photographs of these same coins taken by her (they are available on the Heritage Auctions coin website if you search the auction archives for Green Pond Collection, FUN 2004). I believe that the publisher bungled the presentation of the images (too small and not enough contrast). This will undoubtedly be corrected in future editions. Overall, anyone with an interest in Dahlonge gold coins will find this to be a valuable and important reference.

Douglas Winter is regarded as one of the leading experts in the field of United States gold coins. This second edition of the award winning book, *Gold Coins of the Dahlonge Mint*, includes new data and updated knowledge about these rare treasures and the rich history behind the mint that coined them. Many collectors of branch mint gold will find much value in the updated condition census estimates and the latest auction and sale prices for Dahlonge gold dollars, quarter eagles, three dollar pieces and half eagles. Completely revised rarity estimates provide a window into surviving specimens, and ultimately the true value, that goes well beyond the population data provided by major coin grading companies. Complete with a brief history of the Mint and the intriguing story leading to the conception of a branch mint in Dahlonge, to its last days during the civil war, Winter takes the reader through a year by year account of all Dahlonge gold coinage struck during the 1800s.

From the Publisher *Gold Coins of the Dahlonge Mint: 1838-1861* The long awaited release of *Gold Coins of the Dahlonge Mint: 1838-1861 (Second Edition)*, is ready for immediate delivery. This new 240 page hardbound edition by Douglas Winter includes updated information on condition census pieces, new die varieties, revised rarity estimates, prices realized at auctions, all new photos and much more. Zyru Press From the Author The first edition of this book was published in 1997. In the ensuing six years, much has happened in the Dahlonge gold coin market. Why have I prepared a second edition of this book? Because some of the information in the first edition is now very out-of-date and may not be useful to new collectors. In addition, the entire first edition is now sold out and I have noted a strong demand for a new work. What exactly is new in the second edition? I have tried to make this book different enough so that purchasing it is an easy decision for the collector. Among the new features in the second edition are: -All new photographs, including a number of finest known or high Condition Census pieces. -Considerable new information on Dahlonge die varieties, especially on half eagles. -Revised information on overall and by-grade rarity for each issue. -Completely revised Condition Census information for each issue, including prices realized at auction. A number of these auction appearance are in the form of pedigree chains and date back to the early-to-mid 1990's. It is my sincere hope that this book is as well received as the first Dahlonge gold coins book was and that I am able to do a third edition in the coming years. About the Author Douglas Winter was born in New York City. He became interested in coins at an early age. By the time he was thirteen, Winter was a fixture at Eastern coin conventions where he would exhibit his collection and buy and sell coins. After graduating from college, Winter went to work for Steve Ivy Rare Coins in 1982. He served as Director of Research for this company and was responsible for writing many of its auction catalogs, fixed price lists and promotional material. In 1985, Winter established his own firm, Douglas Winter Consulting (renamed Douglas Winter Numismatics in 1992), specializing in rare and choice American gold and silver coins struck in the 18th and 19th centuries. Today, Winter is regarded as one of the leading experts in the field of United States gold coins. In addition to buying and selling coins to other dealers and collectors, Winter's professional activities have included research and writing. He has now written four books on branch mint gold coinage (Dahlonge, Carson City, New Orleans and Charlotte) and books on Type One, Type Two and Type Three double eagles. He plans to produce a revision of his New Orleans book in the near future. Douglas Winter is a member of all leading numismatic organizations including the Professional Numismatic Guild (PNG). He resides in Dallas, Texas with his wife Mary and their Welsh Corgi Norman.