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Since the previous edition of 1992, **several updates** have been published in "Vaccari Magazine". However, there is no complete current work with the correct cataloguing and the updates for point valuations anywhere. Thus the publishing of this new catalogue has become essential.

Over the years a lot of important collections have been examined as well as numerous submissions from collectors and lovers have been received.

That has allowed us to update the **over 75,000 pieces of data** contained in this catalogue, which, once published, will present **about 7,000 variations** compared with the previous edition. This amount may appear very high; however, we have to keep in mind that this sector of cancellations, since the publishing of the Ricci - Vaccari edition of 1992, has kept expanding among the collectors and consequently the research has grown more and more, leading to the discovery of material which had been neglected for years.





In this new edition, the historical section has been revised as well and is now totally in colour, even if it has not been necessary to change the text in its substance. The illustration section has been completely changed so that it will be easier to recognize the type of the nominal cancellations which went together with the numeral ones, thanks to the colour pictures.

As far as the **VALUATIONS** are concerned, they do not rely on a personal assessment; on the contrary, they refer to the current market rates and, for the highest points, to the recent values seized at the auction sales. We have also taken into account that cancellations of a not very collected province, even if as rare as those of a very collected one, can have very different points and, thus, different quotations. This has been considered for re-examining all the points for every post office. Another element determining the quotation is the presence of the numeral cancellation with respect to all the stamps in use from 1886 to 1889, easily visible in the related table together with the quotations for the first period of use (April-May 1866), for the first day of use in the post offices of the former Kingdom of Lombardy Venetia (after the events of the III War of Independence) and in those of the former Papal State (after the taking of Rome on 20 September 1870).

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