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## KNOW YOUR COVERS!

PATENTED SEPT. 27-1892. (LICENSED MATCH.)  
THE DIAMOND MATCH CO. N.Y.

Be still my beating heart! Arguably the most famous date in the hobby, this was a Diamond manumark, famous as one of the earliest; 1896-1909 [there were other variations later]. 48 are currently listed. Almost, if not all, are probably still full-books, as I would imagine any collector lucky enough to run across one would not want to take a chance at ruining it by trying to remove the staple and matches.

