

Squared Circle Cancellations and the Quebec Tercentenary Issue of 1908

HISTORY

The squared circle cancellations, which came into use in nearly 300 towns in 1893, were in general use until the early years of the reign of King Edward VII. However, by the time the Quebec Tercentenary issue appeared on July 16, 1908, their use had diminished considerably, and only some 29 towns and four railway post offices were still using them. In fact, up to the present time, only 17 towns and the four railway cancels have been recorded used on this issue, and many are extremely scarce.

The one exception was Brantford, Ontario, which used its squared circle canceller extensively in 1908 after having been lain dormant from 1904 to 1907.



Brantford, Ontario.

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Reference: *The Squared Circle Cancellations of Canada (Fifth Edition) A Handbook of the British North America Philatelic Society Ltd. by the Squared Circle Study Group.*