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THE EDITOR'S PAGE

by MIKE STREET

THE NEW NUMBERING SYSTEM-PART II

DEVELOPMENTS

The new Canadian Numbering System has given rise to some controversy. In *Letters* you will find the thoughts of a group of society members, who are also members of the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association, who do not favor the new system.

The center sheet in this issue is a questionnaire requesting your input on this same subject. The space has been purchased by the Charlton Press, publishers of the Lyman's catalogue.

In a nutshell, Charlton is proposing a single, 'truly Canadian' numbering system based on date of issue of a stamp, to be owned by Canada Post and made available to any user free of charge.

Please take the time to read the letter, the survey and comments below.

COMMENT

In this space in the March-April issue readers were urged to give the new numbering system a try. The developments noted above have prompted another look at the matter.

Charlton is *not* proposing *another* system. What they are advocating is that there be one common system to be used by all concerned (in North America at least). The principle of numbering stamps strictly in order of date of issue is the heart of their proposal. Theoretically, if Scott was to revise its numbering system according to dates of issue, or the new Canadian Numbering System were changed in a few places to conform to the date question, and if there were broad agreement within the philatelic community, then Charlton would be satisfied.

There may not be a broad demand for a new system, but no one can deny that there are problems with the existing one. The number changes for Ottawa and Montreal printings of the Small Queens are the best illustration of a problem area. The number 599/600 mess is a prime example of ridiculousness. The very fact that those responsible for Canada Specialized went to the time and expense of devising a new system is in-

dication enough of a need to have another look.

Charlton proposes a 'truly Canadian' system. The choice of words is unfortunate. As stated previously in this space, the country of origin of any product does not guarantee its quality. Probably what is meant is that any Canadian Numbering System should be devised by the most knowledgeable collectors and dealers of Canadian stamps. If this is Charlton's intent, it is difficult to disagree.

Why Charlton suggests Canada Post's involvement is not clear. In the opinion of this writer, that would amount to nothing less than putting the cat among the pigeons! If Canada Post owned the Canadian Numbering System, the temptation to produce marketable varieties could prove to be too tempting to any unscrupulous type with control over the artistic, engraving or printing processes. In short, Canada Post should have no say at all in how Canadian stamps are numbered.

A SUGGESTION

A long term battle is not going to do anyone any good. Perhaps it is time for the interested parties—all catalogue publishers, dealers (through the CSDA) and collectors (through the RPSC, BNAPS and the PHSC)—to sit down together, work out problems in the numbering of Canadian stamps, and come up with something everyone agrees to use.

The second step for such a gathering would be to form a permanent committee with the tasks of assigning numbers for new issues, and making decisions on recognising varieties of old stamps and assigning sub-numbers to them.

Ownership—a valid question—could perhaps be assigned to the Vincent G, Greene Philatelic Foundation. Funding for the permanent committee could be generated from assessments on publishers and on dealer and collector associations.

Members are urged to reply to the survey, If you don't agree with the wording of a question, write down your own. It is an opportunity to make your views known.

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Mike Dicketts



By the time you read this another convention will be over. Although this column is being written before our Winnipeg meeting, I know from experience that it will be the highlight of our collecting year. First-timers will wonder, as they meet face-to-face with collectors they have known only through correspondence or telephone calls, why they have put off attending in the past.

Our conventions are a great place to establish friendships, for the consistent theme down through the years has been the social opportunities which the host group so successfully arranges. The exhibition material is always challenging and instructional, and the many seminars enable

us to ask more questions than is possible in a whole year's exchange of letters. A wide range of stamps and covers exchanges hands as dealers and collectors alike make it a point to bring unusual items to BNAPS shows. Couple all this with a chance to see the sights of a different part of the continent, and you wonder why only two hundred out of a membership of 1600 have all the fun.

There will no doubt be matters of interest or concern which originate from our discussions in Winnipeg. I'll be bringing these to your attention at a later date. Meanwhile, may I seriously suggest that you start planning for a visit to San Francisco in 1984.

LETTERS

FIRST TORONTO POST OFFICE

The Town of York Historical Society was formed with the object of promoting, for the benefit of the public at large, the history of the Town of York leading to the incorporation of the City of Toronto in 1834. As its first project, the Society has resolved to reopen the first City of Toronto Post Office at 260 Adelaide Street East in time for the City of Toronto's Sesquicentennial in 1984.



The building at 260 Adelaide Street East (depicted in the sketch) has been determined by the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board to be the oldest building built as a post office still standing in Canada. Opened in December 1833, it was the last post office in York and thus the first post office in the City of Toronto when it was incorporated in March 1834.

Canada Post Corporation has agreed to allow the premises to be used as a postal substation. We are presently having discussions with Canada Post to complete those arrangements in the hope of having a post office functioning for the December 1983 anniversary of the first opening.

We understand that, approximately one year ago, the City of Toronto requested that Canada Post Corporation issue a stamp commemorating Toronto's 150th anniversary. A sesquicentennial stamp depicting Toronto's first post





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May I ask that BNAPS members support our efforts by writting to Michael Warren, President of Canada Post, asking him to do what he can to make sure that the first City of Toronto post office is reopened; and to the Minister responsible for the Canada Post Corporation, the Hon. Andre Ouellet, M.P., urging the issue of a commemorative stamp for the City of Toronto's Sesquicentennial, on 6 March 1984, depicting Toronto's First Post Office.

Robert H.(Bob) Jamieson, President, The Town of York Historical Society

DEALERS OBJECT TO NEW NUMBERING SYSTEM

We, the undersigned members of the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association, wish to express our dissatisfaction with the new numbering system introduced in the 1983 edition of Canada Specialized Catalogue. We reject the propostion that this numbering system is in response to popular demand or that it serves any useful purpose presently not provided by the Scott's numbering system.

There has been no prior review or discussion with the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association and we are unaware that the publishers of CSC have canvassed any groups of collectors or philatelists or elicited the opinions of any philatelic organizations prior to its introduction.

In our view, the new numbering coster, is not simpler since in most cases a Scott's number is merely replaced with another number.

We believe that continued attempts will be made by the publishers of CSC to expand the use of their system and note with concern that one major Toronto auction house controlled by one of the co-publishers has already begun using this system.

We believe that, in the North American region, the Scott's numbers are so widely used and accepted that the introduction of this new numbering system will result in enormous confusion and difficulty for collectors and dealers alike.

We confirm that we will continue to use Scott's numbers and urge all collectors, philatelists and dealers to vigorously reject this rather strange development which seems to be based on emotion rather than on sound philatelic need. Emerson Barnett Oakville Stamp Co. David Bastedo . . . Canadian Philatelic Services Kazimir Bileski Winnipeg, Manitoba Stuart Blumenthal Scotia Stamps Leslie Gray Oakville, Ontario Jim Hennok Toronto Philatelic Company Richard Lamb.......Kitchener, Ontario George Le Mesurier . . . Ottawa Stamp Auctions Gary Lyon Eastern Auctions Stan Lum Toronto, Ontario Peter Singer Vancouver, British Columbia Frank Vogel Frank Vogel Auctions

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Calgary is easy to get to. The city of 650,000 is served by direct flights from larger Canadian and American cities. Calgary is the gateway to Banff, Lake Louise and the Canadian Rockies. A visit to BNAPEX '85 could be advantageously combined with sightseeing in the world famous and spectacular Canadian Rocky Mountains.

Additional information about BNAPEX '85, is available from the Co-chairmen, Ed Harris and Sam Nickle, P.O. Box 1478, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 2L6.

See you in Calgary at BNAPEX '85!

CANADA POST CORPORATION'S 1984 POSTAGE STAMP PROGRAM

Canada's 1984 postage stamp program was announced on August 12 by the Honorable André Ouellet, Minister responsible for Canada Post Corporation. The first new stamp of 1984, to be issued March 15, will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Yellowknife, capital of the Northwest Territories. In recognition of 1984 as 'Year of the Arts', and to mark the 50th anniversary of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, a stamp honoring the performing arts will be issued March 24.

On April 20 a stamp commemorating the 450th anniversary of the first voyage of exploration to Canada by navigator Jacques Cartier will be issued jointly by France and Canada. A stamp will be issued May 18 to mark a visit to Canada by a flotilla of 'Tall Ships' which will sail from Saint-Malo, France, in mid April, arriving at Quebec City in late June following visits to a number of Atlantic ports.

New Brunswick's bicentennial will be commemorated with a stamp to be issued June 18. A commemorative stamp marking the St. Lawrence Seaway's 25th anniversary will be issued June 26.

In relation to the 450th anniversary of Jacques Cartier's arrival in Canada and to celebrate Canada Day, Quebec artist Jean-Paul Lemieux's conception of Canada's 10 provinces and two territories will be featured on a 12-stamp miniature sheet to be issued June 29.

The arrival in Canada of United Empire Loyalists following the United States' War of Independence will be commemorated with a stamp issued July 3. A \$1 definitive stamp to be issued August 15 will feature British Columbia's Glacier National Park. Canadian lighthouses will be the subject of a set of four commemorative stamps to be issued Sept. 21. As part of the continuing series of Canadian transportation stamps, a second set of train stamps will be issued on October 2, depicting steam locomotives built between 1860 and 1905. Three special Christmas stamps will be issued November 2. The Royal Canadian Air Force's 60th anniversary will be commemorated by a stamp to be issued November 9.

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OF THE TELEGRAPH COVERS OF CANADA

by Wilmer C. Rockett, OTB and Leo J. LaFrance, OTB

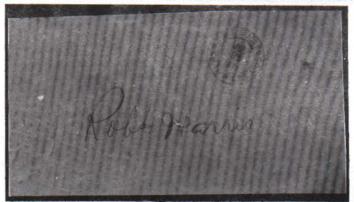
GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY TELEGRAPH COMPANY



This company was formerly the 'Canada Grand Trunk Telegraph Company'. Only one cover type is known. The oval is in red, on white laid paper. This example, addressed to Berlin,

C. W., has a stylized railway engine embossed, in an oval with the company's name between the inner and outer rims, on the flap of the envelope (see cover).

NEW YORK NEWFOUNDLAND AND LONDON TELEGRAPH COMPANY



Only the handstamped envelope illustrated is known; the lettering is as follows: N.Y. N.F.

& L. TEL. CO. / CH. TOWN. P.E.I., and it is dated JUL / 29 / 1871.

New Information: As a result of the first article in this series, a cover from the Dominion Telephone Company of Canada has now been reported. It will be illustrated at a later date.

Anyone with additional information is invited to contact the authors either directly or through the Editor.

CANADIAN MILITARY POSTAL HISTORY

by Ed Richardson, OTB

Canadians Interned in Neutral Holland, 1914 - 1919

Holland—Les Pays-Bas or the Netherlands was a neutral nation during World War I. It had a policy of interning all military personnel of the belligerent nations should they enter Dutch territory, whether intentionally or accidentally.

During 1918—near the time of the Armistice—there were over 40,000 Internees of all nationalities held in Holland. This number was made up by 33,000 Belgians; 5,000 British & Colonials, including 400 Canadians; 1,000 French and 1,000 Germans (numbers are approximate).

The Military internees came from two principal sources: 1) Soldiers driven across the Belgian-Dutch border during military operations and 2) Escaped or 'released' prisoners of war from German P.O.W. Camps and Labour Farms.

In addition there were a number of refugees, mainly Belgian nationals, interned at a special refugee camp. (1)

THE FALL AND EVACUATION OF ANVERS (ANTWERP)

On 4 August 1914, Germany crossed Belgium's frontier, seeking to utilize the Belgian plain as a gateway to North-western France. After a determined stand at Liege, the Belgian army fell back to well entrenched positions before Anvers (Antwerp). Here they held out for the rest of August and all through the month of September, maintaining a line of defense and communication with the British at Ostend.

On 27 September the Royal Naval Brigade of some 2,200 left Ostend to join the Belgians at Antwerp. They arrived on 6 October but it was too little, too late. On 10 October Antwerp fell.

While many of the Belgian Army units were able to escape to the Belgian coastal area, a large body of troops, perhaps including some British personnel, escaped across the border into Hol-



- 1 Bergen (Germans)
- 2 Harderwijk (Belgians)
- 3 Assen (Belgians)
- 4 Groningen (British)
- 5 Gaasterland (Belgians)
- 6 Oudemindum (Belgians)
- 7 Zeist (Belgians)
- 8 Amersfort (Belgians)
- 9 Scheveningen (British)

 Location of some of the main Internment camps in Holland. Canadians were assigned to the British camps. (1,2)



A very early Internee cover. Postmarked at Groningen, Holland 14 December 1914, with a 17 December 1914 London transit mark



A second Internee cover to Canada, also from Groningen, dated 5 January 1915 with a London transit mark 8 January 1915.

land. A number of pursuing Germans also crossed the border. All were interned by the Dutch authorities.

Most likely the majority of the Belgian civilian refugees placed in the Dutch Refugee Camp were also evacuees from Antwerp.

A number of hospitals for internees were in operation in southern Holland, and nearly 800 were patients at some of them in early 1915. (1)

MILITARY INTERNEES

One report gives a total of 391 Belgian Officers and 32,665 other ranks as being interned in Holland. The same report states that a total of 1,575 British were also interned initially. No figures were given for Germans. (1)

It is not known whether any Canadians were included in the total of 1,575 British interned in late 1914. There were no Canadian military units involved on the continent, in either France or Belgium, at the time of the fall of Antwerp. However, it is possible that some Canadians may have been with British units, a possibility suggested by the two covers illustrated on the preceding page (Figure 2, 3).

PORTVRIJ FRANC DE PORT.

Militaires étrangers internés dans les Pays-Bas.

Each of these covers bears the Dutch P.O.W. Free Franking mark above. The December 1914 strike is in purple, while the January 1915 is in black. Later strikes have been seen in magenta and red.

This collector has examined many cards and covers mailed from Canada to Internees in the Netherlands and from these Internees to Canada. It is surprising that a great many of them are to and from Belgians—not Canadians—interned in Holland.

It is best to assume that if the cover comes from or is addressed to a camp listed (see map) as being for Belgians, it is not addressed to or sent by a Canadian. Items like the one shown in Figure 4 have fooled many a Canadian Postal Historian. It looks like it could be a nice Canadian internee item, but a second card in my collection from the same internee is signed 'Belgian Corpor-

al'. Many covers and cards now in Canadian Postal History collections, passing as being from Canadian Internees, are in fact from Belgians.

CANADIAN INTERNEES

Most Canadians interned in Holland, along with some of the British and French, were former Prisoners of War who had been held in various German P.O.W. Camps. They were the few who had managed to escape. In doing so, they found themselves in neutral Holland, where they were taken into custody.

Quoting from the Report of the Ministry (2):

"Those interned in Holland of all nationalities, numbered in all over 40,000. Of that number about 500 Officers and 4500 other ranks were British Prisoners of War, and these were all located in the Internment Camp at . . . Scheveningen.". . .

"Except a few Officers who had been permitted to live elsewhere, all Canadians, including 53 Officers and 314 other ranks, were quartered there."...

"Speaking generally, the conditions of life for all ranks interned in Holland were found to be better than was expected." . . .

"They had come through the ordeal of the German prison camps remarkably well and with great credit to themselves. They were made welcome and treated kindly by the Dutch Government and the Dutch people. Their conduct and discipline were good, and they stood high in reputation."...

While I have examined at least a couple of dozen cards and covers from Internees in Holland addressed to Canada, I have yet to see my first cover or card from a Canadian Internee held at Scheveningen!

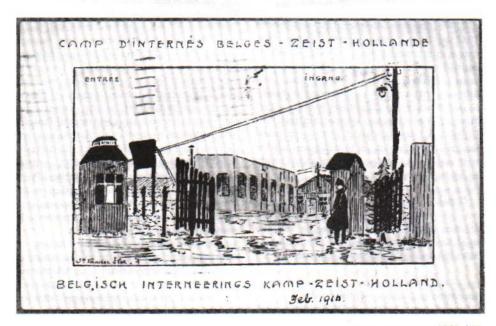
Cards and covers to and from Canadian Internees in Holland during World War I seem to be very scarce indeed.

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4. Postcard from a Belgian Corporal interned at Zeist-Amersfoort. Received at Montreal 21 March 1916. The faint Dutch 4-line free franking is in red. In addition, there is the two-line 'POST FREE /PRISONER OF WAR' handstamp in purple. This handstamp is seen on some, but not all, cards addressed to Canada in 1916 from various P.O.W. camps. The view side of the card is below.



CANADIAN
POSTAL GUIDE:

by C.R. Mc Guire

1. RESEARCH SOURCES D. Miscellaneous Publications

COMMERCIAL PUBLICATIONS

There are a number of unofficial, commercially produced *Gazetteers, Directories* and *Almanacs* for cities, provinces and the Dominion. The majority have sections giving post office and railway information, including lists of post offices and railway stations. *City Directories*, in addition to general post office information, also have sections giving details about local post offices, their locations, and the names and positions of employees.

Railway Directories are another worthwhile source to consult because they often indicate places with post offices.

The Canadian Almanac, first published in 1848 by Hugh Scobie, included among other data a mini-postal guide in a six page section entitled the 'Post Office Department'. Over the years it has had many printers and publishers. Still published annually as the Canadian Almanac and Directory by Copp Clark Publishing Co., Toronto, it contains two sections, entitled 'Post Office and Shipping Guide' and 'Postal Information', which are of use to those interested in both county and rate aspects of modern Canadian postal history.

Canada Past, Present and Future, a historical, geographical, geological and statistical account of Canada West, written in 1851 by W. H. Smith in two volumes, was reprinted by the Mika Publishing Co., Belleville, Ontario.

The Canada Directory, another general information publication similar to the Canadian Almanac, was published in Montreal by John Lovell in 1851 (692 pages), 1854 (691 pages) and 1857-8 (1544 pages). A greatly enlarged version (2562 pages), the first after Confederation, entitled *Canadian Dominion Directory*, followed in 1871. The Lovell firm still operates and continues to publish city directories from its Montreal offices.

The initial effort included a three page mini-postal guide, the Post Office Directory'. This section had a list of post offices giving the county, township or seigniory of location, and the names of postmasters. There was also a Distance Table listing the mileage to cities, towns and villages from thirteen major points.

In the preface to the first edition, Robert W. Stuart Mackay, the editor, stated that the "useful book" was meant to "answer all the requirements of the Professional and Business Community". Little did he know just how useful his book, and publications like it, would be over a century later to, among others, the many people interested in various aspects of history and to the genealogist, as the current quest continues to record, restore and recreate Canada's past. Although he mentioned that the next edition was planned for 1854, Mackay himself published a 374 page supplement in 1853, updating Lovell's earlier edition. It is interesting to note that Lovell's 1854 edition is identical to his first and does not include Mackay's supplement which may be the reason the latter published it.

In later editions of Lovell's directory acknowledgement was made at the beginning of the Post Office section that "...useful information has been prepared and revised with great care by the very obliging Secretary (William White) of the Department, and is therefore given

with perfect confidence as to its correctness".

The other provinces also had directories which contained postal information and lists of post offices. I will only list the pre-Confederation publications of which I am aware: Hutchinson's New Brunswick Directory for 1856-66, compiled and published by Thomas Hutchinson, St. John (1138 pp); Hutchinson's New Brunswick Directory for 1867-68, compiled and published by James A.T. Bird, St. John (867 pp); Hutchinson's Nova Scotia Directory for 1864-5, compiled and published by Thomas Hutchinson, Halifax (741 pp); Hutchinson's Newfoundland Directory for 1864-5, compiled by Thomas Hutchinson and published by Thomas McConnan, St. John's (381 pp); Lovell's Province of Newfoundland Directory for 1871, published by John Lovell, Montreal (380 pp).(1)

The Business and General Directory of Newfoundland, containing "Classified Lists of Business Men of St. John's and the Leading Towns and Districts of the Colony", was compiled by John A. Rochfort of St. John's. It was published by Lovell in 1877. The 'Appendix' contained "local, governmental and other information of a general character", including five pages of postal information containing names of post office officials and employees, postal routes, postage rates, post office regulations and advice to patrons, and a list of post towns and way offices.

SPECIALIZED POST OFFICE PUBLICATIONS

Over the years the Post Office published different specialized instruction booklets. The earliest I have found was issued in December 1876, a nine page booklet intitled *Instructions to Postmasters*. Compiled by F.M. Passow, Post Office Inspector for the Nova Scotia Division, the booklet was really a simple version of the postal guide which also included internal operating procedures for postmasters. Its purpose was described as follows:

"The following Instructions have been drawn up as simply and concisely as possible.

If carefully read they will enable Postmasters easily and correctly to perform their duties, and thus add greatly to the efficiency of the Postal Service. Particular attention is directed to the arrangement for the transmission of correspondence between offices on the same routes. See article 'Making up of Mails,' paragraphs 5 and 6.

Any further information which may be required will be promptly furnished on application to the undersigned."

Other booklets, which appeared in regularly updated editions, were distributed to those concerned. They included *Instructions to Railway Mail Clerks, Instructions to Letter Carriers,* and *Rural Mail Delivery in Canada*. All make extremely interesting reading, and clearly indicate what employees were expected to do and how they were to do it. For example, as a Victorian railway mail clerk you were expected to heed the following rules:

"Care of Postal Cars—Clerks must not deface nor injure the Postal Cars or other property of the Railway companies furnished for the use of the service.

Post Office Property not to be used for private purposes—the use of any property of the Department for personal purposes is strictly prohibited.

Mutilation of Postal Property—any mutilation of property furnished for the use of the Postal Service is strictly prohibited.

Clerks to obey Clerk in charge — Clerks must obey the orders of the Clerk in charge, and must not consider their duties ended until so informed by him.

Clerks must assist Post Office Inspectors—Railway Mail Clerks must give all assistance in their power to Post Office Inspectors or their Assistants, when called upon to do so, and on no account whatever make known the presence of these officers on the train, either during or after any trip; nor make any mention of their presence on trip or weekly report. A violation of this section will be considered sufficient grounds for a fine or suspension.

Case Examination of Clerks—Each clerk will be examined at least once every six months, at places of which he will receive due notification.

Courtesy — Clerks, in their official intercourse with the public and with one another, must observe the strictest courtesy, and must endeavor, by active and intelligent efforts, to promote the efficiency of the service."(2)

The Distribution List, published by Province, were primarily for use by Railway Mail Clerks. The introduction (see next page) to the first issue for Manitoba and the North-West Territories (May 1904) is typical of Distribution Lists for all Provinces. Later editions had the following instruction (which gives the reason these books are so scarce):

"Postal employees are reminded that Distribution Books are the property of the Department and must be returned upon leaving the service."

In the 1940's Distribution Lists became the Schedule of Mail Trains and Water Services. Again printed by Province and District, they continued until these services were phased out in the late 1960's.

POST OFFICE PUBLICATIONS FOR STAMP COLLECTORS

The Three Penny Beaver was published irregularly by the Postage Retail Products Branch during school months of 1974-1976. The newspaper quality, magazine format featured a busy beaver, Phil Ately and was directed towards youngsters and teachers, encouraging them to form school stamp clubs. Eighteen issues of the "Beaver", a useful booklet entitled Phil's Tips on Stamp Collecting and two Stamps Canada albums were distributed before the program was terminated.

Two editions of Canada—Stamps and Stories were published, in 1972 and 1975.

During the 1970's the Public Affairs Branch, Ottawa, published a number of good quality booklets varying in size and usefulness including: The Joys of Stamp Collecting (reprinted in a larger format in 1982); Stamp One...To now; From Wampum to Postal Code; Mail Through 5,000 Years; Postal Service Down The Centuries; History of Rural Mail in Canada (a reprint of a booklet by George Wilcox originally published in 1919); and Canada Post Films (a list of audiovisual materials available from the Canada Post Film Library).

Another booklet, Tundra Bound, was pub-

lished by the Public Affairs Branch, Quebec Postal Region, in 1979.

The Postage Retail Products Branch, Ottawa, publishes the familiar PS-14. These folding pamphlets, distributed prior to the release of new stamps, give the purpose of the stamp and/or the history of the person or event being commemorated, technical specifications and data about placing orders with the Philatelic Service. Since it first appeared in the 1960's in black and white, the PS-14 has become a nice full color production and a useful reference for stamp collectors. The Philatelic Bulletin appeared approximately quarterly in 1980-81 and featured articles, information about current stamps and a reader's question column.

PUBLICATIONS FOR POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES

Over the years there have been a number of Post Office 'house' publications packed with photographs, news, views, poetry, jokes, cartoons and articles on subjects of a general interest. Printed for Post Office employees, these publications often contain information of use to the philatelic researcher. Probably the best known is *The Postmark*.

"When it came to suggesting an apporpriate name for our magazine William Arnold, Postal Clerk, Saskatoon, Sask., hit the mark. From scores of names his suggestion 'The Postmark' was chosen.

Mr. Arnold's reasons for his choice are interesting and show that he had considered the name from the standpoint of suitability. He says "I suggest the title has merit in as much as the postmark enters well nigh into all Post Office services and transactions and is of the greatest importance.

"The most significant item related to a post-office is a letter. The most significant item about a letter is the postmark. This is the official stamp or mark placed upon His Majesty's mail by a reliable institution.

"The 'mark' of a man is the quality of his character and dependability.

"The new magazine will tell the story of the men and women who carry on the service of our great institution. The 'mark' or 'stamp' of these men and women will be

DISTRIBUTION LIST

FOR

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CONTAINING :

- 1. The names of the Post Offices alphabetically arranged;
- 2. The names of the Postal Car Routes, Sections of Postal Car Routes or Distributing Offices through which matter for the several offices should pass;
- The names of the offices to which the matter is forwarded by the Railway Mail Clerks or Distributing Offices when not mailed direct, (Direct Mails are indicated by dotted lines).
- 4. The names of the Mail Routes by which the Offices are served when not situated on a line of Railway. When an Office is served by two or more routes the hours of departure from the several terminal points are giveu.

INSTRUCTIONS.

- Matter for any Office which is supplied by more than one Route should be forwarded by the one by which it will most speedily reach its destination.
- 2. When any doubt exists as to the proper Railway route by which matter should be forwarded, application should be made to the Superintendent, Railway Mail Service. Similar information should be obtained from the Post Office Inspector regarding Mail Routes off the line of Railway.
- 3. Offices newly established, and Offices to which new names have been given, should be written in ink at the end of the List of Offices having the same initial letter. To the entries under each letter should be prefixed consecutive numbers, which numbers should be neatly inserted in their places in the General List, in which the names of the new Offices or the new names of the old Offices should, in proper order, appear. The numbering should be from one upwards in each letter.
- 4. In case of change of name, the old name should be erased from the list and "changed to "(the new name) written opposite to the erasure. Opposite the entry of the new name should be written "formerly" (the old name).
- 5. It is the duty of Superintendents of Railway Mail Service and Postmasters personally to see that the Distribution Books furnished to each Clerk under their supervision are corrected by the Lists issued from the Post Office Department and the Office of the Controller R.M.S., at Ottawa.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF CONTROLLER R.M.S.,
OTTAWA, MAY, 1904.

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recorded truthfully and the publications will doubtless bring inspiration to its many workers.

"The word Postmark as a name for the publication for and by P.O. servants is short, suggestive and significant." (3)

The Postmark, "Published monthly at Ottawa in the interest of the Canadian Postal Service" by the Public Relations Branch, first appeared in August 1939. As was to become custom, the cover reflected an event of current postal interest. On the cover of the first issue was a photograph of the Parliament Buildings and the crowd gathered to greet their Majesties. King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, during the 1939 Royal Tour. An envelope franked with the 3d Royal Visit stamp and cancelled with the Royal Train cancel (Ludlow RV-3) dated 15 June 1939 (the last known day of use) is superimposed to give an almost three dimensional appearance. Of course the issue contains an article about the Royal Train post office.

Volume one terminated, after only five issues, because of World War Two. A varityped booklet, *The Postal Review*, was published from August 1946 until March 1949. *The Postmark* resumed publication in May 1948 in a new, slightly smaller format. Ernest Bertrand, the Postmaster General, summed up the purpose of *The Postmark*—"Its columns will now provide you with a medium for recording of your group activities and for expressing your personal views".(4) The magazine continued publication until March 1969. During its life many articles of an historical nature appeared in its pages and all issues are well worth perusing.

The next major attempt at publishing was a newspaper style monthly publication from the Public Affairs Branch. Communication "70", "71", etc. tried to revive The Postmark tradition, but ceased in 1976, after 68 issues.

Today the 'house organ' is produced by each Postal District. The Public Affairs or Corporate Communications (as they are known since the Post Office became a Crown Corporation) Branches are responsible for these magazine or newspaper format periodicals, which are primarily of interest to employees working in the District concerned. Occasionally these publications have an article with historical content, but for the most part they are restricted to reports of employee activities. Their titles often reflect the locality of origin, as illustrated in the follow-

ing list: Alberta District Happenings: The Atlantic Post (Atlantic Postal Region): The Catch-Post (Manitoba Postal District): Central Post (Central District, Ontario Postal Region); Mapp-Rap (Toronto Metro Postal District): NB-PEI Communique (NB-PEI District, Atlantic Postal Region): Northern News (Northern District, Ontario Postal Region): The Postmark (Saskatchewan Postal District); Post Scripts (Newfoundland District, Atlantic Postal Region); Posttalk (B.C. and Yukon Postal District): "PS" and Transition (Quebec Postal District): The Scotian (Nova Scotia Postal District); Triangle News (Southwestern District, Ontario Postal Region). There is also an untitled publication by the Eastern District, Ontario Postal Region, All began publication in the mid-1970's, and most are still being published today.

Postal Progress was a short lived, undated quarterly, published by Canada Post at Head-quarters, Ottawa from 1974-78 which gave progress reports on the move towards Crown Corporation.

PUBLICATIONS BY POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES

The Canadian Postmaster is published monthly by the Canadian Postmasters' Association for Postmasters. First published in 1924, it was initially a newspaper quality magazine. Although it was intended to be a monthly publication, issues were often combined. The current larger, glossy paper, format began its existence in 1963.

Other publications include: The Postal Tribune, the national magazine of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers; The Railway Mail Clerk, published by the Dominion Railway Mail Clerk's Federation from about 1928-58; the Canadian Postal Worker, published by the Vancouver Local, Canadian Union of Postal Workers (there are similar efforts published by other locals); and The Postal Journal of Canada, a magazine published by the Canadian Federation of Postal Employees.

INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

The Universal Postal Union Convention is the International version of the Postal Guide. It outlines the rules and regulations for all aspects of world postal service. Samples of all forms are included in each revision

After each Universal Postal Union Congress a Convention, which includes all new additions and changes as approved by members is published. Each Convention reflects technical advances and accommodates the changing needs of all postal systems

Congress Documents have covered the proceedings of the Universal Postal Union Conventions since the first was held in Berne in 1874. Congresses are normally held every four years. The Universal Postal Union held a Preparatory Meeting in Canada in 1933 and a Congress in 1957, both at Ottawa.

L'Union Postale, published monthly since October 1875 in five languages by the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union (available by subscription) contains interesting articles on all aspects of postal operations prepared by personnel of the world-wide Postal Administrations. It lists changes in senior postal officials, reviews new publications, and covers developments of interest to Post Offices.

Miscellaneous reports, Conventions and documents are also published by the U.P.U. and the countries concerned.

I have found that the Postal Guides of other countries, particularly Great Britain and the United States, are worth perusing. They will usually provide answers to queries about postal history items addressed to Canada.

THE 'UNPUBLISHED SOURCES'

Official Post Office Records (Record Group 3) from the 1830's to 1970's are held by the Federal Archives Division of the Public Archives of Canada. These records vary in completeness for the first fifty years, but become more extensive after 1870. They contain a wealth of information not only for postal historians but also for local history buffs and genealogists. The possible subjects and scope for a serious student are virtually endless.

One of the records most regularly referred to contains the Mail Contract Registers, which give names of mail carriers, parameters of routes, amounts paid for services and lengths of contracts. Another is the Postmastership file which provides information on the establishment, closings and appointments of Postmasters for the period 1875-1902. I understand these files will soon be put on microfilm which will eventually

be available for purchase by the public.

These and other records in the Archives are available for consultation by those wishing to do their research in Ottawa. Thomas Hillman, the Archivist responsible for Post Office records, is very knowledgeable and willingly gives guidance and advice to researchers. Enquiries should be directed to him at the Federal Archives Branch, Public Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A ON3.

For other useful Canadian Postal History Sources, I refer readers to an excellent article with that title written by my friend and former colleague, Dr. Kenneth S. Mackenzie. It was first published in Archivia, Number 9, Winter 1979-80, and then reprinted in The Postal History Society of Canada Journal, Number 22. June 1980. In this article Ken gives a brief but comprehensive outline of the contents of each of the eight series of Record Group (RG) 3 and other postal-related material held by the Public Archives of Canada. This alone makes the article worth locating and reading, particularly for those planning to visit Ottawa to do research. If it is studied prior to attempting to use the Archives' facilities, the researcher will be prepared and better able to locate what is required among the many feet of files.

CONCLUSION

This concludes the first, and longest, part of *Postal Guide Illustrated*. In future issues of TOPICS different items from Postal Guides will be quoted and illustrated.

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RED RIVER 'PRIVATE' MAIL

by Frank W. Campbell







In the early 1850's, years before Manitoba got Canadian mail service in 1870, the Red River settlement had a private form of mail service. Outgoing mail was sent to Pembina, Dakota and shipped in closed bags to Windsor via the regular United States mail service

I had several letters from family correspondence addressed to Trinity College, Toronto from Red River-all had been mailed collect. They are now in the Manitoba Archives, A few of these letters were postmarked Chicago or Windsor, but all were plainly stamped Mosa. A township west of London, after 1856 Mosa became Wardsville. With an income of over \$1000 a year, large for that era, Mosa was a big post office in a small place. Evidently it was an important transfer point for mail going eastward on the Grand Trunk Railway. At that time mail out of Windsor went by stage on the Tecumseh Road, which I remember as either a very muddy or a very dusty road.

Mosa's full double circle postmark is a rare type. Not one was sent in for my last book, and the other ones in my earlier book were obtained mainly by making pencil tracings in the Crown Lands archives in Toronto.

The Wardsville postal instrument was made in Boston by Ruggles at a cost of \$8.25, rather expensive for that time. It was thin copper electroplate, backed by lead, and wore quickly. A similar London instrument was undecipherable after six month's use.

Eventually the Grand Trunk Railway reached Point Edward, a short distance above Port Sarnia, and the trains were then ferried across the St. Clair River to Fort Gratiot, Michigan, in the north end of Port Huron. In 1890 a tunnel was built under the river a few miles down at what was now plain Sarnia, I well remember coal burning engines pulling cars through the tunnel. Even with closed windows there was coal gas aplenty!

CALENDAR

- This feature of TOPICS will list Exhibitions and Bourses, including FIP sponsored (International) exhibitions, which will have a significant BNA content, as well as BNAPS Regional Group Functions. Information/prospectus should be sent to the Editor as soon as available and at least 3 months before the event.
- OCTOBER 7-9-STAMP MARKETPLACE '83, annual exhibition and bourse. Sheraton Center, Toronto, Information: Stamp Marketplace, 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ont. M3J 2T8.
- OCTOBER 8-BNAPS' Golden Horseshoe Regional Group will hold a regular meeting at Stamp Market place (see above). 12 Noon. All members welcome to attend. More information at the meeting.
- OCTOBER 8 OKTOBERFEST stamp show and bourse sponsored by the Kitchener Waterloo Philatelic Society. St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Queen & Weber Sts., Kitchener, Ont. Information: Leigh Hogg, P.O. Box 8101, Bridgeport, Ont. N2K 2G6.
- OCTOBER 15 —16 CALTAPEX '83, annual exhibiton and bourse of the Calgary Philatelic Society. Marlborough Inn, Calgary. Information: Guy Boissoneault, P.O. Box 1641, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2L6
- OCTOBER 22—The annual exhibition and bourse of the Truro Stamp Club. Nova Scotia Teacher's College, Truro, N.S. Information: W.G. Burden, 20 Aspen Court, Truro, N.S. B2N 5S1
- OCTOBER 22 23 VANPEX '83, exhibition and bourse, in conjunction with the American Stamp Dealers' Associations INPEX, sponsored by the British Columbia Philatelic Society. Sheraton Landmark Hotel, 1400 Robson St., Vancouver, Information: British Columbia Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 2356, Main Post Office, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3W5.
- NOVEMBER 11 13 VAPEX '83, annual exhibition and bourse sponsored by the Virginia Philatelic Federation. BNAPS' Mid-Atlantic Regional Group will hold a meeting during the show. Information: VAPEX—Leroy Collins, P.O. Box 2183, Norfolk, Virginia 23501; Mid-Atlantic Regional Group—See the Business Side Page.
- NOVEMBER 18 20 EXUP XV, annual exhibition and bourse, this year honoring the 50th Anniversary of the Union Philatelique de Montreal. Montreal Convention Center (Palais des Congres). Information: EXUP XV, P.O. Box 870, Station C, Montreal H2L 4L6, Quebec, Canada.
- DECEMBER 3—Annual exhibition and bourse of the Stoney Creek Stamp Club. Fiesta Mall, Hwy.
 8, Stoney Creek, Ont. Information: Art Ward, 11 Rose Cres., Stoney Creek, Ont. L8F 3W6
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SEPTEMBER 6-7-8, BNAPS annual convention. Sir Francis Drake Hotel, BNAPEX '84: Sutter & Powell Sts., San Francisco, California. Information: Garvin Lohman, 1541 Sacramento St., #3, San Francisco, CA 94109.

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THE FLAG CANCEL STUDY GROUP Type 7 Montreal

by Larry R. Paige

TYPE 7 MONTREAL

The Type 7 was the first flag cancel to see continuous service on the new Bickerdike cancelling machines installed at the Montreal Post Office. The type 7 is almost the same as the Type 3 (which was an experimental cancel used when the first Bickerdike machine was tried in December 1896 at the Montreal Post Office). The Bickerdike machine seems to have been put into full service by 10 July 1897. On this day, use of the Bickerdike machine is known with the Type 5 flag cancel (at 16:00 and 18:00), and the Type 7, Die IV (at 24:00). The Type 4, Die Y, 5 strokes, which was from the Imperial machine, is known at 18:00. Thus three different types of flag cancels were used on the same date-10 July 1897. How long the Imperial machines were kept in Montreal is unknown. I have no examples in my collection of Montreal Type 4 flags, dated after 10 July 1897, which are not philatelic.

The Type 7 is very much the same design as the Type 3, except that the letters in Canada in the center of the flag cancel design are smaller. The letters in the Type 7 design were 3 mm or less in height, whereas in the Type 3 the letters were at least 3½ mm in height. The Type 3 was used only during December 1896 and the first few days of January 1897.

There being six machines in use at Montreal, six dies of the Type 7 were delivered to the Post Office. The six dies were generally the same, with no indicia letters to distinguish between them.

With the dies being made of steel and all six engraved separately, there are minor differences.

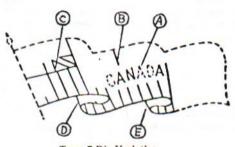
The basic die varieties found on Type 7 Montreal are: A-size of letters in 'Canada'; B-location of upper and lower vertical lines in relation to first 'A' of Canada; C-vertical line location; D-vertical line in relation to first furl; E-vertical line in relation to second furl. The reader is referred to The Canadian Flag Cancellation Handbook 1896-1973, pages 23-29, for additional information to use to determine the differences between dies

Among the very scarce examples of the Type 7 Montreal are the inverted cancels. In the inverted stage, the flag is inverted in relation to the dater hub, with the dater hub in the normal position. This was probably caused by inserting the flag die into the cancelling machine upside down. Inverted use is reported for four of the six dies—Dies III, IV, V, and VI. Possibly in the future Dies I and II will also be reported inverted.

The Type 7 was in service at Montreal until early April of the next year. The latest date I have reported is for Die VI, dated 14 April 1898.

Early / Late Dates Type 7 Montreal Bickerdike Machine

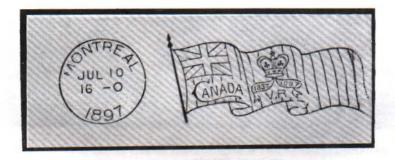
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Die	Earliest	Latest
1	July 12, 1897	April 12, 1898
11	July 13, 1897	April 13, 1898
111	July 10, 1897	March 26, 1898
IV	July 10, 1897	April 13, 1898
V	July 12, 1897	April 12, 1898
VI	July 13 1897	April 14 1898



Type 7 Die Varieties



Type 4 Flag Cancellation used at Montreal on the same day as the Type 7 Flag Cancellation was introduced.



Type 5 Flag Cancellation, also used at Montreal on the first day of use of the Type 7 flag cancellation.



10 July 1897, the first day of use of the Type 7 at Montreal



Type 7 Die V is often referred to as the broken die because of damage at the upper right portion of the Union Jack The exact date of the first damage is not known. The 13 July 1897 cover shows no damage, while the 17 August 1897 shows the broken die.



Type 7 Die II, Inverted Flag



Type 7 flag cancels used on International mail. Above, five 1¢ Maple Leaves used to pay the U.P.U. rate to France. A triple strike of any cancellation on one cover is unusual. Below, two 5¢ Small Queens paid the double rate to England. It is fortunate that the stamp on the right was not 'killed' with a hand canceller, which would have spoiled the cover's appearance.



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NEWFOUNDLAND REVENUE STAMPS 1938 — 1970

by Robert H. Pratt

CONCLUSION

FACT, 1 June 1982-HERE THE DATA ENDS.
There are no more letters from the Official files.

It is known that Revenue Stamps could still be purchased at St. John's as late as 1972, and that they were of the same style of printing as the earlier stamps. The colors might have varied a bit, some new perforations (Comb 13½ and Line 12) were found, and it is felt that the stamps were printed (by the same house) on several different papers.

PART FOUR

EXCERPTS FROM THE CORRESPON-DENCE BETWEEN COLIN MACR. MAKEPEACE AND VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS

EXPLANATION – Beginning in 1944 Mr. Colin Makepeace, a noted collector of Revenue material, corresponded first with officials in the Government of Newfoundland, and then with various Bank Note Companies, regarding a catalogue he was about to publish. The papers cited in Parts 1-3 were furnished him by the Officials, and form the basis of this monograph. Some of the personal letters are of great interest and are listed here, even if they do not pertain to the stamps discussed in Parts 1-3. All were given to me after his demise. His widow disposed of his holdings in Sept 1968. (R.H.P.)

LETTER, 8 November 1944—Finance Department, St. John's to Colin Makepeace, Providence, Rhode Island

I have received your letters of 16 August and 18 October with relation to your draft catalogue of Newfoundland Revenue Stamps. I have been successful in some degree in checking up, as you have requested me to do, on the contents of your draft catalogue. Records prior to 1934 are extremely sketchy in many respects and, insofar as Revenue Stamps are concerned, appear to be completely non-existent. My efforts to obtain information of use to you from retired

'old timers' proved to be unavailing.

I return the Draft Catalogue herewith. (Note – It was issued January 1946.)

I have been successful in obtaining certain data from the Department of Customs with relation to the *Customs and Excise Stamps*. This is as fellows:

It was in 1925 that Customs Duty Stamps were first put into use. These stamps were issued in denominations of 1 cent, 3 cent and 5 cent, and bore the effigy of the Prince of Wales. They were used to pay duty on Advertising matter sent through the mail, and were placed on the reverse side of the envelope containing advertising matter. The stamps were usually cancelled at the Post Office (Parcel Post).

In 1925 the stamps were printed by the British American Bank Note Company, Ottawa. The 1 and 3 cent stamps are now obtained through the Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4 Millbank, London England, and are, it is understood, printed by Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. of Surrey, England. Legislative authority for the issue of Customs Duty Stamps will be found in the Newfoundland Acts of 1925 (Cap. 34, 15 George V) and the Revenue Act 1938 (Act No. 51 of that year).

The designs of the 1 cent and 5 cent Customs Duty Stamps were changed in 1938 and now carry the head of a Caribou. The 3 cent Stamp remains unaltered.

The Transportation Tax Stamps were authorized by the Act 18 George V Cap. 1 (Passed in July 1927) and were current until the repeal of that statute by the Act No.35 of 1935, passed on the 19th of August of that year. The purpose of the stamps was to provide funds to enable the Newfoundland Tourist & Publicity Commission to defray it expenses, in part, by a tax on every first class passenger out of Newfoundland. (Ticket less than \$10-\$1.00 tax; \$10 to \$100-\$2.00 tax; over \$100-\$3.00 tax.)

(NOTE - Data on the revenue stamps purchased prior to 1934 exist in the files of the Colonial Secretary and the Telegraph Books of his office in the Colonial Archives in St. John's, Newfoundland. This information is briefed elsewhere.)

LETTER, 4 September 1951—Colin Makepeace to Finance Department

I am engaged in preparing two frames of Newfoundland Revenues to exhibit at the Canadian International Philatelic Exhibition to be held at Toronto later this month and should like to have a copy of each of your current revenues of the lower denominations (up to \$2.50). I understand that in addition to these denominations you still are using the caribou design of inland revenue stamps in the five dollar, twenty dollar, fifty dollar and one hundred dollar denominations. (Answer-yes to both.)

Since union with Canada, will these stamps be replaced with Canadian revenue stamps after your present supply has been used up, or will you continue to have separate provincial inland revenue stamps for use on deeds, licenses and so forth? (Answer – Will continue)

I understand the customs excise tax stamps have been replaced by the Canadian customs set. (Answer – discontinued.)

If you have any other stamps showing the payment of a tax which I can buy, I should like to send a check to cover, including stamps to pay a tax on cigars, cigarettes, beer, etc. (Answer-None.)

If any Transportation Tax Stamps are now available (they were unavailable when I wrote you a few years ago) I shall be very happy to send you a check to cover any that are now available, vis: one dollar, two dollar and three dollar stamps. (Answer-None available.)

LETTER, 28 July 1958 - Colin Makepeace to Finance Department

Some years ago you kindly wrote me a letter authorizing British American Bank Note Co. to make available to me any of its records in regard to the printing of Newfoundland revenue stamps. I might be in Ottawa early in September and I should like to settle several questions which have arisen with reference to the Revenue Stamps printed by that Company. The old letter being out of date, I wonder if you would be kind enough to write a new letter to them authorising me to inspect such records as they care to make available.

NOTE, 4 August/20 August 1958—various letters

A meeting was arrenged for 11 September 1958, and all parties notified.

LETTER, 5 September 1958—British American Bank Note Co. (G. Harold Burland) to Mr. Makepeace

I am so sorry to hear that you had a coronary and it is particulary unfortunate that it should have occurred so far from home. I hope that you may have a speedy convalescence. I look forward to seeing you in Ottawa before too long.

LETTER, 7 March 1960—Mr. Colin Makepeace to British American Bank Note Co.

Having now returned to Providence, I want to express my appreciation for your courtesy and that of Messrs. White and Gunderson in connection with my recent visit to the head office of the British American Bank Note Co. Ltd. I gathered some information which will be of considerable interest to the collectors of Newfoundland revenue stamps.

Mr. Gunderson offered to answer questions within reason if they occurred to me. It appears that a substantial number of the Newfoundland Inland Revenue Stamps with King Edward's head on them were printed on watermarked paper and an examination of multiples and single copies convinced me that each sheet was watermarked in the center with a sort of a design and that below the design was the word "Columbia". Would this word, offhand, mean anything to you, such as the name of a paper company. (No Answer is recorded.)

QUESTIONS-

Mr. Makepeace evidently took a list of questions with him to Ottawa. The questions and answers appear below. (N B.—) are notes appended by the author (R.H.P.) from data established by recent research.

- I. CUSTOMS DUTY-Head of Prince of Wales
- 1. In what year and month was the first lot of these stamps sent by you to the Newfoundland Revenue Authorities? May 1924. (N.B. Newfoundland says 1925.)
- 2. Were there any colors or denominations other than those listed? No. We designate the 3¢ color 'orange' instead of 'yellow brown' as appears in your book.
- II. INLAND REVENUE-Head of Queen Victoria
- 1. Did you or the American Bank Note Co. en-

grave and print these stamps? These stamps were not engraved by our Company. (N.B.-Strange, the die proofs are in their records, with their series of die numbers.)

- 2. In what year and month was the first lot of these stamps sent by you to the Newfoundland Revenue Authorities? *No answer*. (N.B.—Stamped paper to pay fees was required by the Act 61 Victoria Cap. 14 passed 30 March 1898, operation to begin 1 July 1898.)
- 3. Is the list of denominations correct and complete? No answer.
- 4. Are the colors in the list correct and complete as to the \$50 and \$100 which I have not seen? No answer. (N.B.—These values were never ordered.)

III. INLAND REVENUE-Head of King Edward

- 1. In what month and year was the first lot of stamps of this design sent by you to the Newfoundland Revenue Authorities? Our records of delivery for this are not now available. We know only that all the stamps of this issue were engraved prior to the year 1909. (N.B –Designs for the stamps were approved 16 November 1906 and the first lot was recieved 11 February 1907)
- 2. Is the list of denominations correct and complete? I have never seen the 5ϕ , 10ϕ , \$20 or \$25 stamps. No record available. (N.B.—none of these were ever ordered or shipped.)
- 3. What are the colors of the \$20 and \$25 stamps? *No record available*. (N.B.—See above.)
 4. Are the other colors as given in the listing approximately correct? *No record available*.

IV. INLAND REVENUE-Head of King George

- In what month and year were the first stamps of this design sent by you to the Newfoundland Internal Revenue Authorities? The stamps of this issue were engraved as follows: 5¢ in 1909; 10d, \$5.00 and \$10.00 in 1913; 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.00 in 1910; \$20.00 in 1919; and \$25.00 in 1920. We are unable to tell you exactly when the first stamps of the design were sent to Newfoundland, but it is likely this occurred during the years 1909 or 1910. (N.B.-Proof of the 5¢ approved 6 December 1910, stamps before the end of the year; Proofs of the 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.00 approved 11 February 1911, stamps received same month; The 10¢ and \$5.00 stamps in 1914; The \$2.00 stamp was received in 1919 and the \$25.00 stamp in 1920)
- 2. These stamps were first perforated 12 and later 11. In what year and month was the first

lot perforated 11 sent to the Newfoundland Inland Revenue authorities? At that time we had a perforating machine set 12 to the stamp and another set 11 to the stamp. The number of perforating holes to the stamp was not considered important and whichever machine was available was used. (N.B.—should read 'set 12 (or 11) to the inch'.)

- 3. Would you care to state the reason for the change in perforation? See answer to question No. 2.
- 4. Were stamps of this design prepared in any other denominations or color and perforated 12? The \$10.00 stamp was engraved and printed but the color is unknown. (N.B.—A die and a plate are known, prepared in 1911, but printing has not been proven.)
- 5. Were any stamps of this design prepared in any other denominations or colors and perforated 11? As previously explained any or all the stamps may have been perforated 11 or 12.
- 6. I have copies of the 50¢ and \$1.00 perforated 11 without the imprint of the name of your company in the bottom margin. Did you print these stamps? We believe these stamps were prepared by our company. Possibly due to faulty perforation the imprint was cut off. (N.B.—the name was on the die and below each stamp on the plate, as there was a margin on these stamps it could not be due to faulty perforation.)
- 7. If so were any other denominations prepared without this imprint and which denominations were so prepared? We believe that the plates for all denominations bore the imprint of this company.
- 8. I have the \$1.00 perforated 11 with the imprint. All copies I have seen of the 50¢ perforated 11 are without the imprint, Was the 50¢ perforated 11 ever prepared with the imprint? See answer above.

V. INLAND REVENUE-Caribou design

- 1. Did your company manufacture these stamps? No.
- 2. If so, are all the denominations and approximate colors as stated in the list? *No answer*. (N.B.—This was the Perkins Bacon issue.)
- 3. If so, in what month and year was the first lot of these stamps sent by you to the Newfoundland Revenue Authorities? *No answer*.

VI. TRANSPORTATION TAX-Caribou design

1. In what year and month was the first lot of these stamps sent to the Newfoundland Revenue authorities? Not engraved by our Company.

2. Are the denominations and approximate colors as given in the listing correct? *No answer*.

LETTER, 15 February 1963 – Mr. Colin Makepeace to Finance Department

You will doubtless recall my earlier correspondence relative to Newfoundland Revenue Stamps. I have again been asked to assist in preparing an up-to-date catalogue for the revenue stamps used in Canada and Newfoundland.

It is my understanding that the Customs Stamps, (to collect duty on advertising matter entering Newfoundland) which commenced in 1925 with a design of the head of the Prince of Wales and consisted of 1, 3 and 5 cents stamps, (which were superceded by 1 cent and 5 cents stamps with the head of a Caribou) are no longer used. Is this information correct?

Secondly, are the stamps of an entire Caribou design in the denominations from 5 cents to \$100 being used at the present time in Newfoundland on deeds, promissory notes or any other legal instruments or on boiler inspection licenses, or in any other way?

Finally, if I wanted to buy specimens of the current stamps, if any, could I buy them at face from your department?

It may be that you no longer have any Newfoundland revenue stamps but use the revenue stamps of Canada. If this is so, I should appreciate being advised.

LETTER, 19 February 1963 – Finance Department to Mr. Colin Makepeace

The answers to your questions are as follows: Customs Duty Stamps were terminated with the Act of Union between Newfoundland and Canada as of 1 April 1949. As from that date all customs activities fell into the province of Federal authority.

Revenue Stamps, with the Caribou design, are the same as those which prevailed prior to 1 April 1949, and are still used for the purpose mentioned by you.

Specimens of the Current Stamps may be purchased at face value from this department.

LETTER, 23 January 1969 – George F. Briand to Finance Department:

This past week you were highly recommended to me by a fellow collector. He showed me a part of his collection that contained stamps with a design like that of your 1919 Caribou issue. They appear to me as some sort of 'reprints' of an earlier revenue issue. I also saw some items that looked like customs duty and officially sealed stamps. The 'reprints' that I had in mind ranged in face value from 5ψ to \$20. This collector advised me to send a few dollars and that you would sent me some copies of the above mentioned, (any amount). Also anything that might be available in the form of catalogues, price lists, etc.

LETTER, 31 January 1969 - Collector of Revenue to George Briand.

Reference your letter 23 January, we wish to advise that Revenue Stamps are issued in the denominations of $5 \, \phi$, $10 \, \phi$, $25 \, \phi$, 1.00, 2.50, 5.00 and 20.00. The $5 \, \phi$ to $25 \, \phi$ stamps are in sheets of 25, all others are in sheets of 50. (NOTE—wrong, its just the reverse.) Unfortunately we do not have any catalogues or other descriptive literature on Revenue Stamps.

As per your instructions, and remittance of \$3.00 in U.S. funds we are enclosing revenue stamps to the value of \$3.15 in assorted denominations. (NOTE-notes on the letter indicate 2×1.00 , $2 \times 50\phi$, $1 \times 10\phi$ and $1 \times 5\phi$ were sent).

This finishes this study of the Revenue Stamps of Newfoundland. It can be seen that the Perkins Bacon stamps are by far the scarcest. The lack of shipments of the 5¢ stamps during the period 1947-1956, and a few in 1957, probably accounts for the overprinted 25¢ stamps (now 5¢) which were used in 1963.

BRADBURY	WILKINSON -	1942 to present	t
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Value	1942-1946	1947-1951	1952-1956	1957-1961	Totals
\$,05	125,000	nil	nil	50,000	175,000
.10	75,000	nil	20,000	20,000	115,000
.25	140,000	125,000	89,500	57,250	411,750
.50	50,000	50,000	69,000	60,000	229,000
1.00	45,000	50,000	65,000	60,000	220,000
2.50	15,000	40,000	6,000	10,000	71,000
5,00	10,000	25,000	56,000	58,575	149,575
20.00	1,000	nil	10,000	40,000	51,000
					1,422,325

PERKINS BACON - 1938 to 1941

Value	Annual Quantities	Total 4 years
\$.05	25,000	100,000
.10	15,000	60,000
.25	12,000	48,000
.50	5,000	20,000
1.00	9,000	36,000
2.50	4,000	16,000
5.00	2,000	8,000
20.00	250	1,000
50.00	250	1,000
100.00	250	1,000
	72,750	291,000

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FRED EATON

The passing of Fred Eaton is reported elsewhere in this issue of TOPICS. Fred was a friend of almost thirty years, and in our early days a mentor and guide to a fledgling collector. He was very interested in our Asian experience, and often our philatelic interface was relegated to a secondary postition, in preference to the world body politic with its social overtones. He was strongly supportive of our philatelic activities, particularly the new railway catalogue, which he felt would be a definitive contribution to Canadian philately. We will miss him sorely.

ANNEX I - 1983

In the last issue of the Cowcatcher, we presented a portion of the just issued Annex I supplement to the 1982 railway catalogue. That column covered 9 new reporters, 69 new listings, 15 confirmed 'no report' entries, 3 confirmed proof strike (O.P.K.) listings, and one relisting of a delisted item. The balance of the Annex, 143 new earliest and latest dates, 142 new train numbers, 58 new direction or time marks, plus several dozen changes or typographical errors will be presented in the R.P.O. Study Group Newsletter. For those who want a complete copy of Annex I, but are not members of the study group, please drop us a note so that we can make appropriate arrangements. There was a self-evident error in the manuscript of the last Cowcatcher; dates are given in the order of 'month/day/year', not as 'day / month / year'.

NEW TRACK

We welcome to our roster of contributors Ken Alton, Reporter #221, who has come up with several new and important discoveries. The first of these is a new rubber hammer ornament listing, previously known only from its proof strike. This listing has been established as follows:

W-97Z Nels & Mid, R.P.O. / B C. (Orn. #167), Type 5D, 1920, RF 500*, Reporter 221



This is only the second rubber hammer ornament known in actual postal use. (The first was W-30A, Ornament #162.) It is on a cut piece, obviously having been used as a backstamp on registered cover. There are still three more rubber hammers with ornaments known only from their proof strikes; who will discover the next one?

Alton sent in another new find, also a rubber hammer strike (already reported in the Annex), W-76Z TRAIN No. / Med. Hat & Nel. R.P.O. No. 5, Type 51, Train 67, 1919, RF 500*, Reporter 221. This too is a cut piece, again a backstamp from a registered cover.



NEWFOUNDLAND TRACK

Although the Newfoundland T.P.O.s and R.P.O.s have been under thorough research and investigation for more than 40 years, we are continually astonished by the new data and discoveries that are constantly being reported. In the one year since the publication of the new catalogue, we have recorded three new listings, confirmed 3 more listings which were previously unconfirmed, and registered 20 new earliest and latest dates. Additionally, in the Ticket Stamp Section, we have entered three new listings and five new dates, all relating to Newfoundland. Recently we have seen some partial strikes from Bill Robinson which promise to result in at least one more, maybe two, new listings. Newfoundland seems to be a sleeping giant only slowly rousing, and we heartily recommend Newfoundland T.P.O.s as a fertile field for exploration and the development of new discoveries.

MORE NEW TRACK



As reported in the Annex, we have a new ticket stamp for Corner Brook, submitted by Don Wilson, TS—188c NF. RY. / CORNER BROOK. This new find to us was quite extraordinary! Having blithely assumed that TS—184j, with NFLD. RY. at the top, would be the only Type 1E that we would ever see for Corner Brook, imagine our surprise when a second one then appeared, with NF. RY. at the top, both used concurrently! (One should never presume in this field.) An immediate check of our own single CORNER BROOK strike confirmed the NFLD. RY. of TS—184j, so the existence of these two different listings is absolute. At this time of writ-



ing, we have no method of separation of the two unless the top of the strike is present.

In the same sending, Wilson also included a strike of TS — 184r, HUMBERMOUTH, on post card. This beautiful cancellation not only opened up the period of use to 16 years, changing the R F. to 350, but confirmed again that these Newfoundland ticket stamps were used as normal cancellation devices for regular and commercial mail; as such, they are a mainstay in the railway listings of Newfoundland.

EXPLORATION



Although reproduction will be difficult because of the violet strikes on red stamps, we have two almost identical cancellations (dates excepted) on which help is needed to establish their new listing. Combining these two strikes, submitted by Warren Bosch, we can confirm the following minimum reading of the cancellation

????? & CAMP / ? ? MICHELIN / QUEBEC, Type 21E

Internally, we have Train 151 as well as 1913

for both strikes. Identification is so close, but yet so far away! Only needed is the first terminus to go with CAMP. The possibilities are Halifax, Gaspe, Levis and Quebec. Halifax, as well as Moncton, can be rejected as not being in the Quebec District, and the Gaspe & Camp. R.P.O is not known before 1931. This leaves only Levis and Quebec for consideration, for both of which Train 151 is possible. Spacing favors LEVIS, but QUE, would be equally acceptable. This will be an important listing, and we hope that someone will have a partial which can complete the strike. We have two more partials from Bosch but they did not photograph sufficiently well for publication. One, Type 6G, is (clerk name) / LEVIS & R----ND (Richmond?), Train 2, 1912; the other, probably Type 22D, has the clerk LACH-ANCE at the top and & MEGANTIC on the bottom. The latter could be a new listing for either LEVIS or TRING as the first terminus.

AND YET MORE NEW TRACK



It has been more than ten years since our research on the Pritchard & Andrews proof books, yet the new catalogue still contains more than 100 listings known only from their proof strikes. In the last year, as reported in the Annex, 3 such listings were reported in actual use. One of these, submitted by Ross Gray, is the first known strike, on post card, of DD-44 MONTREAL POST OFFICE/BONAVENTURE STA., Type 25E, the large circle with inner lines and a boxed date. Of the three proof strikes of Type 25E, only one, DD-68, remains to be discovered. The third, DD-64, has been known for some time and is of medium scarcity. Another of Gray's new finds, also in the

Annex, is W-8B BDN. & ESTEVAN R.P.O. / A. LE CLAIRE, M. C. Type 170 with 'rope' ring frame line. This was initially thought to be EDN, for Edmonton, but such is an impossible route. Train 138 in 1919 confirms BDN. for Brandon and Estevan.



'CABOOSE'

In a lighter vein, this spring right outside a window near our stamp den, two Chinese Doves have been nesting a clutch of eggs. Operating with quiet and stealth, we transferred our camea from stamps to birds and -at a distance of no more that armslength-photographed the picture below. For its fat and squatty mien, we named this dove 'Caboose'.

BIRD-1 Chinese Dove / Tokyo, Type 'Caboose', 1983, RF 0.5*, Reporter 16



The POSTAL STATIONERY STUDY GROUP

Canadian Pacific Railway Company Proxy Return Envelopes

by John D. Aitken

For many years the Canadian Pacific Railway Company annually used Canadian Postal stationery for shareholder proxy return envelopes. These were pre-addressed to the company secretary. It is not known when the practice started, but 1904 or slightly earlier appears possible. The last pre-stamped envelopes (55,000 of them), bearing a 3d Centennial imprint, were mailed in the Spring of 1968. Business reply imprints have been used since then (figure 49) except for one year, at least, when apparently the shareholders supplied the postage (figure 48).

While this article deals only with the use of Canadian postal stationery, the author would like to know if the CPR also used British or American stationery for proxy returns. The 1908 edition of the Canadian Annual Review mentions that at the end of 1907 there were 20,000 CPR shareholders, of whom 14,000 lived in Great Britain, with 3,000 more living in the United States. Clearly, in the early years of the century, there was comparatively little call for Canadian stationery for proxy returns.

Until the early 1930's the CPR used regular Post Office stock with a gummed flap. The company then switched to using specially prepared stationery marked 'Printed Matter, Not To Be Sealed'. (At about the same time the use of the railway view cards was discontinued.) With the exception of one 3d Cameo variety these have no gum on the flap.

Nearly all the envelopes available to collectors are unused, which makes it difficult to establish their exact year of use. Several clues are available by combining postage rates, the Secretary's tenure in office and the date of the annual meetings but, unfortunately, this information is incomplete.

The task is also complicated by the use of drop letter rate envelopes, with and without one cent postage added for War Tax. The postage rate for out of town mail was 2d from 1 January 1899 until the 1d War Tax was added on 15 April 1915. The tax was dropped as of 1 July 1926. The rate was returned to 3d on 1 July 1931 and then increased to 4d on 1 April 1943. The drop letter (local first class) rate was 1d from 1899 until 15 April 1915, and 2d from then until 1 April 1943. Printed matter could be sent for 1d until 2 April 1951, when the rate increased to 2d. The printed matter rate went to 3d on 1 April 1964, and to 5d on 1 November 1968.

The secretary's tenure varied — Charles Drinkwater held office from February 1881 to 1 March 1908. He was succeeded by Walter Baker, who served until 31 December 1916. (Baker got his C V.O. about 1911.) Ernest Alexander followed, from 1 January 1917 until 31 December 1935. He in turn was replaced by Frederick Bramley, whose term ran from 1 January 1936 to about 1956.

Before World War I the company's annual meetings were held in early October. (The year end was 30 June.) At some point the meeting was switched to 31 December. At least from 1951 on, the annual meetings have been held in early May.

In the list that follows, Webb 4th edition (1983) numbers have been used. Information and photocopies for this article were provided by Alex Price, Robert Lemire, Dick Staecker, Bruce McCallum, Bob Forneaux, Graham Noble and Earle Covert The writer invites anyone with additional information to write him at P.O. Box 1730, Stn. A, London, Ont. N6A 5H9, or to the Postal Stationery Study Group at the address on The Business Side page of this issue of TOPICS.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This article is a revised version of one which originally appeared in the January-February 1983 issue of Postal Stationery)



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Canadian Pacific Railway Co.,

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Figure 1

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Figure 2

MONTREAL.



CHARLES DRINKWATER, Esq., SECRETARY,

Canadian Pacific Railway Co .

CHARLES DRINKWATER, Esq., SECRETARY,

Canadian Pacific Railway Company,
MONTREAL,

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Figure 3

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W. R. BAKER, Esq., cv.o.

SECRETARY, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, MONTREAL.

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W. R. BAKER, Esq., C. V. O., SECRETARY, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, MONTREAL.

Figure 6



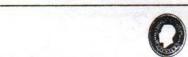
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SECRETARY.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company,

MONTREAL.

Figure 8



W. R. BAKER, Esq., C.V.O., SECRETARY, Canadian Pacific Railony Computer, MONTREAL. ERNEST ALEXANDER, Eig., SECRETART.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company, MONTREAL.

Figure 9

Figure 10



ERNEST ALEXANDER, E.q., SECRETARY, Canadian Pacific Railway Company,

MONTREAL.

E. ALEXANDER, Esq.,

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.,

Figure 12 Montreal, Canada.

PROXY RETURN ENVELOPES WITH A GUMMED FLAP

On EN 13, 2¢ Red Queen Victoria, addressed: a) CHARLES DRINKWATER, Esq. / SECRETARY, / Figure 1 Canadian Pacific Railway Co., / MONTREAL, Que. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'I' of DRINKWATER) b) CHARLES DRINKWATER, Esq., / SECRETARY, / Figure 2 Canadian Pacific Railway Co., / MONTREAL. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'W' of DRINKWATER; the 'M' of MONTREAL is under the 'ic' of Pacific) On EN 17, 2¢ Red Edward Die 1, addressed: a) As Figure 2, but Figure 3 (The 'M' of MONTREAL is under the ail' of Railway) b) CHARLES DRINKWATER, Esq., / SECRETARY, / Figure 4 Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL, / CAN. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'K' of DRINKWATER) On EN 17a, 2¢ Red Edward Die 2, addressed: a) WALTER R. BAKER, Esq. / SECRETARY, / Figure 5 Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL. On EN 16a, 1¢ Green Edward Die 2, addressed: a) W.R. BAKER, Esq. / SECRETARY, / Figure 6 Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'A' of BAKER) On EN 17c, 2¢ Red Edward Die 4, addressed: a) W.R. BAKER, Esq., C.V.O., / SECRETARY, / Figure 7 Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'AK' of BAKER: the 'C' of Canadian is under the 'R' of W.R. b) As Figure 7, but Figure 8 (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'KE' of BAKER; the 'C' of Canadian is under the 'BA' of BAKER) On EN 20, 2¢ Red George V, addressed: a) As Figure 8 Figure 9 b) ERNEST ALEXANDER, Esq., / SECRETARY, / Figure 10 Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'X' of ALEXANDER) Figure 11 c) As Figure 10, but (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the 'A' of ALEXANDER, a 1¢ stamp for War Tax has been added) d) E. ALEXANDER, Esq., / SECRETARY. / Figure 12 THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO., / Montreal, Canada. (The 'S' of Secretary is under the '.' after Esq.; a 1¢ stamp for War Tax has been added)

e) E. ALEXANDER, ESQ. / SECRETARY. /

(The 'S' of Secretary is under the 'E' of ESQ; a 1¢ stamp for War Tax has been added)

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO., / MONTREAL, / CANADA.

On	EN 22a, Brown George V, addressed:	
a)	MR. E. ALEXANDER, / SECRETARY, / CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO., / MONTREAL, / CANADA. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under 'AL' of ALEXANDER)	Figure 14
b)	As Figure 14, but (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under the space between 'T' and 'A')	Figure 15
On	EN 28, 2¢ Green George V, addressed:	
a)	E. ALEXANDER, Esq., / SECRETARY, / Canadian Pacific Railway Co., / Montreal, / Canada. (The 'S' of Secretary is under 'sq' of Esq.)	Figure 16
b)	MR. ERNEST ALEXANDER, / SECRETARY. / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL, / Canada. (The 'M' of MONTREAL is under 'o' of Company)	Figure 17
c)	As Figure 17, but (The 'M' of MONTREAL is under 'y' of Railway)	Figure 18
d)	As Figure 17, but (The 'M' of MONTREAL is under first 'a' of Railway)	Figure 19
On	EN 32, 3¢ Red George V, addressed:	
a)	MR. ERNEST ALEXANDER, / SECRETARY. / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL, / CANADA. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under 'N' of ALEXANDER)	Figure 20
b)	As Figure 20, but (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under 'R' of ALEXANDER)	Figure 21
On	EN 81, 3¢ Purple QE cameo, addressed:	
a)	PRINTED MATTER, NOT TO BE SEALED // THE SECRETARY / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / ROOM 208, WINDSOR STATION, / MONTRE (This is a regular issue envelope complete with the "Pull open" notice on the back	
	PROXY RETURN ENVELOPES WITH NO GUM ON THE FLAP	
	All headed: PRINTED MATTER, NOT TO BE SEALED	
Or	n EN 519-10f, 1¢ Green George V Arch design (flat plate typography), addressed;	
a)	Mr. Ernest Alexander, / SECRETARY, / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL, / CANADA. (The 'S' of SECRETARY is under 'E' of Ernest)	Figure 22
Or	n EN 522-10d, 1¢ Green George V Medallion design, addressed:	
	Stamp size: 20½ mmx25 mm, i.e. rotary typography. The use of a rotary press here is far. All subsequent George V & VI imprints appear to be flat plate typography. (No imber EN 522-10d assigned in the 1978 Webb catalog was in error. This is the correct as	OTE: the
a)	As Figure 22	Figure 23
b)	Mr. Ernest Alexander, / SECRETARY, / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL, (With oval PRINTED IN CANADA at lower left)	Figure 24
Or	n EN 522-10d, 1¢ Green George V Medallion design, addressed; Stamp size: 20½ mm x 24½ mm (flat-plate)	
a)	Mr. F. Bramley, / SECRETARY, / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL. (The 'M' of MONTREAL is under 'Pa' of Pacific)	Figure 25

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F ALEXANDER, Eso.

Figure 13

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Figure 21

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THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

MONTREAL,

Figure 14 CANADA.

MR. E. ALEXANDER. SECRETARY

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.,

MONTREAL CANADA



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b)	As Figure 25, but (The 'M' of MONTREAL is under 'if' of Pacific)	Figure 26
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b)	Mr. F. Bramly, / SECRETARY, / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / MONTREAL. (The 'C' of Canadian is under 'S' of SECRETARY)	Figure 28
c)	As Figure 28, but (The 'C' of Canadian is under 'CR' of SECRETARY)	Figure 29
d)	As Figure 28, but (The 'C' of Canadian is under 'RE' of SECRETARY; the ',' after SECRETARY is under 'L' of BRAMLEY)	Figure 30
e)	As Figure 28, but (The 'C' of Canadian is under 'RE' of SECRETARY; the ',' after SECRETARY is under the 'E' of BRAMLEY)	Figure 31
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i)	As Figure 34, but (The ',' after 202 is under 'a' of Railway)	Figure 35
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b)	THE SECRETARY, / Canadian Pacific Railway Company, / ROOM 208, WINDSOR STATION, / MONTREAL 3, (Note ',' after 3; 'R' of ROOM under 'a' of Pacific)	Figure 37
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Canadian Pacific Railway Company, ROOM 208, WINDSOR STATION, MONTREAL 3, QUE.

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Figure 47

On En 544-10, 2¢ Green QE 2 second Karsh design, addressed:

a) As Figure 41
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Figure 42

On EN 550-10a, 3¢ Purple Cameo lines in hair 23½ x 19½ mm, addressed;

a) As Figure 41
 (Note the distance from top to bottom of the printing is 66mm;
 'C' of Canadian under space between 'E' of THE and 'S' of SECRETARY)

Figure 43

 b) As Figure 43, but (The distance from top to bottom of the printing is 67mm; the 'C' of Canadian is under the 'E' of SECRETARY; the letters of THE SECRETARY are 3mm high) Figure 44

 c) As Figure 43, but (The 'R' of ROOM is under 'ac' of Pacific; the 'C' on Canadian is under the 'S' of SECRETARY; Figure 46

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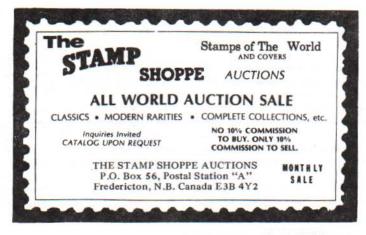
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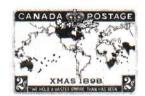
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PLATING THE CANADIAN MAP STAMP OF 1898

by W. L. Bradley

The previous article made reference to the wealth of material in Frederick Tomlinson's handbook The Canadian Map Stamp of 1898 — A Detailed Study, published by the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain in 1960.

By his own admission, Tomlinson's study did not go far enough to plate single copies automatically. He points out on Page 8, under 'Red Printing—Regular Features', that a student should make a careful tabulation of all the constant varieties in each of the three ocean groups of islands and schedule them into a working sequence. This, together with a knowledge of the Black Plate printing varieties, will enable the plating of nearly 70% of all copies.

I have taken this tabulation to its conclusion, and it is now possible to plate close to 100% of all varieties, although it is admitted that a few on Plate #5 are difficult. The difficulties with this plate are caused by variations in the amount of red ink (Red Plate B) applied by the electrotype process during the printing. If there is too little, some of the islands appear as a group of dots, and if too much they appear as 'blobs' much as in Red Plate A. However there are enough other constant varieties to each stamp to identify it, even if one or more islands look a little different.

Where do we start? First, we need a system to assign a number to a stamp that has been identified. The variables are: Black Plate Number. Red Plate Number, Stamp Number (position) and Ocean colour. If we decide to use that sequence, then 3-A-57(L) becomes Black Plate #3, Red Plate A, stamp #57 with a lavender (grey) ocean. Similarly, stamp 5-B-12(BG) is Black Plate #5, Red Plate B, stamp #12 with a Blue Green ocean colour. This sequence will be used for all identification techniques, although often the colour of the ocean will be left out. It is assumed that readers are familiar with the numbering system for sheets of 100 stamps, i.e. stamps in horizontal rows are numbered (from left to right) 1-10, 11-20 and so on. This means

that stamps in the first vertical column are numbered 1.11.21.31 etc.

RED PLATES A AND B

During the first glance at a new stamp to be plated, an attempt should be made to quickly identify it by a familiar configuration of the red islands or areas. This will come quickly as your eye becomes accustomed to noticing differences from the norm, but it is a perception helped by being kept in practice through continual inspection of specimens.

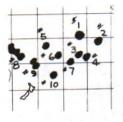
Almost every stamp will have one eye catching difference from its neighbour, but to simplify matters it helps to group the red portions and glance at them as a single entity. For convenience I have grouped them as follows:

- 1. Pacific Island Group #1-#10
- 2. Indian Ocean Group #1-#7
- China Sea Group #1-#6
- 4. Ascension-St. Helena
- 5. Australia New Zealand
- 6. Africa Group
- 7. Mediterranean Group
- 8. U.S.A.
- 9. South America
- 10. Great Britain
- 11. India

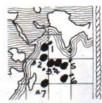
It will be noticed that the Caribbean Islands have been left out. This is because the islands are too small and close together to make inspection simple.

At this point a word of explanation vis-a-vis 'Dots and Islands & Colonies' is necessary. I normally refer to minute debris on the plate as a dot where it occurs as a constant speck on the Red Plate. Often there are additional 'islands'—as large as the one intended in the printing process—which raise the question, "Were they added intentionally to flesh out the Empire, or were they just a slip of the printer's tool?"

ISLAND AND COLONY GROUPINGS **RED PLATES A AND B**



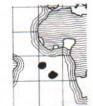
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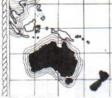


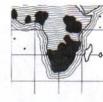
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Generally, 'colonies' occur in Africa and will be red blobs in the interior of the continent. The student should remember that the amount of red ink applied during the printing process will often dictate the shape, size and number of dots and islands on the stamp, although the intended outline can be guessed at. This is particularly true of Red Plate A when used with Black Plate #1 and the light blue ocean, and Red Plate B with Black Plate #5. In many cases the single dominating difference in the Red Plate can be further 'proven' by a second and third more minor dot or island.

With respect to Red Plate A used with Black Plate #3, it should be pointed out that some corrections were made. Often an island present on Red Plate A with Black Plate 1 or 2, will not be found on Black Plate #3. These will be identified as we go along.

A final word of caution is required. The student will find that most of the time there will be variances within an island group itself. Often, extra red dots are present which can be referenced, for location, to one of the islands in the group. This is particularly true of the Mediterranean group, where dots in North Africa, Suez, Arabia and in the Atlantic are more conveniently referred to Gibraltar, Malta or Cyprus, rather than Africa. On the other hand, dots or islands adjacent to Australia or New-Zealand are referenced to those countries rather than the Pacific Island Group.

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