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A RESOLUTION OF THE BILL MOFFATT CORRESPONDENCE

As promised in the October issue of the ANNEX, I have completed a review of the correspondence forwarded to me earlier this year from Bill Moffatt. Much of the correspondence was from the period after release of the Fourth Edition of the Handbook and included both reports of new findings as well as corrections of typographical errors and omissions in the Handbook. These are addressed in the following discussions.

There is a sizeable volume of reports for the 1892 Barred Circle cancels which were not reviewed by yours truly. This information, coupled with the recent Bob Lee auctions, should provide a wealth of new information on these hammers, particularly the time mark usages. I am looking for a volunteer to sort through this information and summarize the new findings for a future ANNEX issue.

TYPE ONE AND MARITIME HAMMERS

NEW GERMANY, ONT (Lamb List #51) - A new early date; -/JU 3/93.

THREE RIVERS, QUE. (Jim Felton) - " Damaged Lettering: the second "R" of "RIVERS" took a beating in 1896. Between JU 17/96 and JY 31/96, the lower loop is broken. By 1898, the right leg is gone. I have a heavily inked DE 4/97 and the leg is gone. My earliest in 1898, JA 21, shows clearly that the leg is absent. "

INDIANTOWN, NB (Dave Mayervitch) - A new year of use is reported, 1904; a precise date of the strike is not available.

HALIFAX, NS HMR I (Jack Gordon) - A new time mark reported on a strike dated 11/MY 26/94.

NEWPORT LANDING, NS (Jim Felton) - A new early date for the second period of use: -/SP 16/07.

WINDSOR, NS (Jim Felton) - A new early date for the use of a 3 line date arrangement; SP/19/93.

WINDSOR, NS (Jim Felton) - A new late date of use; -/NO 3/97.

CHARLOTTETOWN, PEI (Jim Felton) - Jim reported a few exceptions to the time mark usages as reported in the Handbook: for 1895, a strike dated PM/AU 24/95 and for 1893, additional "2" time mark dates of 2/NO 21/93 and 2/DE 27/93.

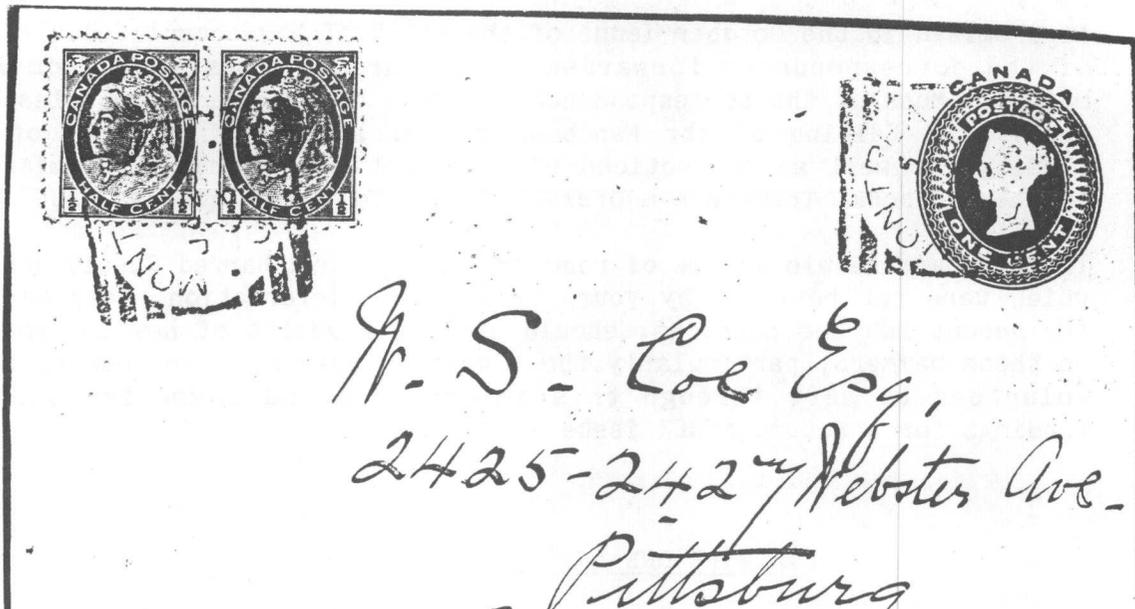
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 Sg - 24.47  
 Oc 21.04  
 No 39.87

QUEBEC HAMMERS

ACTON VALE, QUE (Jim Felton) - A new late date of use: -/OC 4/99.

IBERVILLE, QUE (Dave Mayerovitch) - A new year of use, 1904; precise date of the strike is not available.

MONTREAL, QUE. HMR 1 (Ted Kerzner) - A new late date of use; 5/JA 25/03.  
(See cover below).



ST. CUNEGONDE, QUE (Jim Felton) - A strike with inverted month and day indicia; -/MY 22/94. Note that the Handbook also lists the same error for the following day! Also, a new early date for the "PM" time mark: PM/AU 25/94.

ONTARIO HAMMERS

BRANTFORD, ONT (Jim Felton) - A blank time mark slot is reported for a strike dated -/AU 12/93.

KINGSTON, ONT HMR II (Jim Felton) - An additional report of a "14" time mark on a strike dated 14/NO 26/94.

LONDON, ONT TYPE TWO (Jim Felton) - The time mark for the earliest reported date in the Handbook is "AM"; this was previously unreported in the Handbook.

MARKDALE, ONT HMR I (Jim Felton) - Jim reports two (2) examples of the normal month/day indicia arrangement during a period indicated in the Handbook for an arrangement where the day precedes the month; strikes are dated -/SP 12/93 and -/DE 30/93.

ONTARIO HAMMERS (CONTINUED)

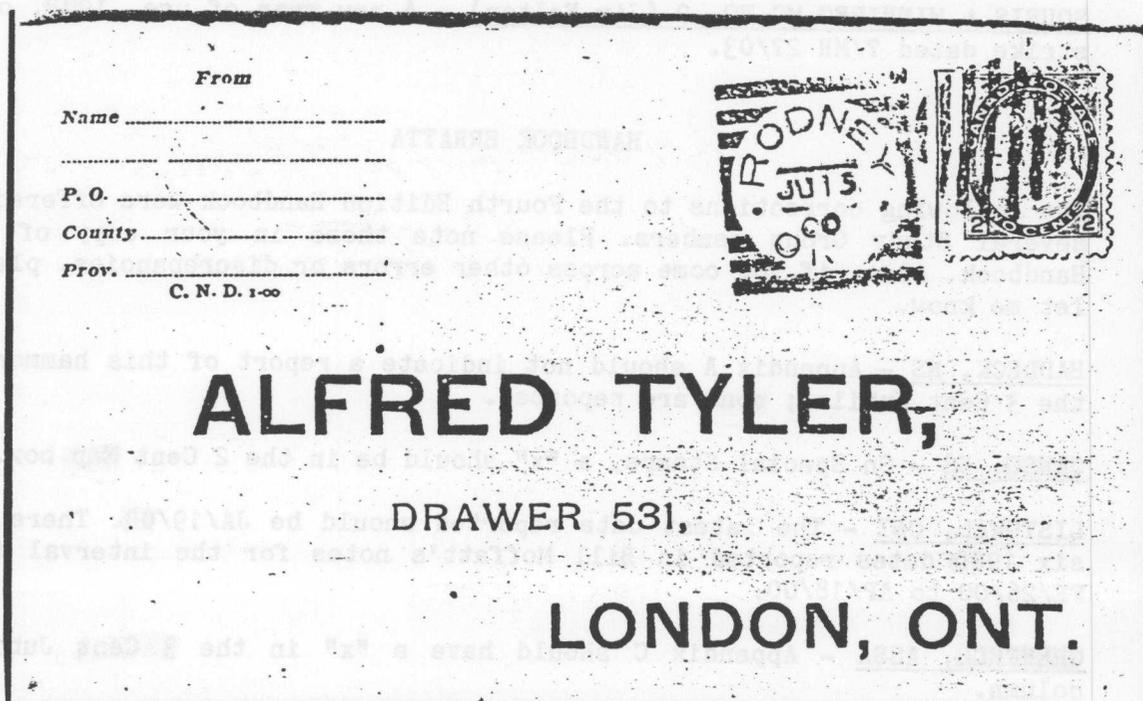
MERRITON, ONT (Jim Felton) - The late 1902 strikes of this hammer are typically positioned to the left of the stamps (as a dater) and the stamps are cancelled with a roller canceller.

PORT PERRY, ONT (Wilf Anthony) - A new late date; a partial, undated receiving strike on card, with a dispatching Montreal machine cancel dated DE 3, 1907.

PORT PERRY, ONT (Jim Felton) - Jim reports two (2) examples of a normal two line date arrangement in the period indicated in the Handbook as three line dated strikes; -/FE 27/95 and -/MR 7/95.

ROCKTON, ONT (Lee's Auction #43) - A new year of use, 1909, on a strike dated -/DE 25/09.

RODNEY, ONT (Ted Kerzner) - A new late date of use: -/JU 15/00 (See cover below).



ST. THOMAS, ONT (Jim Felton) - RE: Different "AM" Indicia: A larger "AM" was used until at least JY 18/96 whereas a smaller "AM" appears as early as OC 12/96. Re: Damaged Lettering: A break in the "O" of "ONT" occurred between PM/MY 29/94 and PM/JU 12/94, beginning to repair itself through use and wear between AM/JU 12/96 and AM/JY 18/96. By 1898, there is no evidence of weakness!

SMITHS FALLS, ONT (Jim Felton) - The year date error "66" on a strike dated -/NO 18/66 which extends this error's latest use by 14 days.

ONTARIO HAMMERS (CONTINUED)

STIRLING, ONT (Wilf Anthony) - A new late date of use: -/MR 27/07.

WINDSOR, ONT (Jim Felton) - A new late date of use; PM/NO 13/99 on a pair of 1 Cent Numeral Queens.

WESTERN & RPO HAMMERS

REGINA, ASSA (Lee's Auction no. 52) - A new year of use and a second post-1898 strike; the cancel is a receiver on cover, dated -/AU 2/01.

MORDEN, MAN (J. Bennigen) - A new year of use, 1918, as a typical backstamp on military mail; strike is dated -/AU 19/18.

VICTORIA, CANADA HMR II (Jim Felton) - The "ON" for "NO" month indicia error noted for the 3rd, 4th and 5th of November, 1895 is corrected the following day with a strike NT/NO 6/95.

SOURIS & WINNIPEG MC NO. 2 (Jim Felton) - A new year of use, 1903, on a strike dated ?/MR 27/03.

HANDBOOK ERRATTA

The following corrections to the Fourth Edition Handbook were offered by several Study Group members. Please note these in your copy of the Handbook. Also, if you come across other errors or discrepancies, please let me know.

BADDECK, NS - Appendix A should not indicate a report of this hammer on the 3 Cent Jubilee; none are reported.

CANSO, NS - On Special Stamps, a "x" should be in the 2 Cent Map box.

LISTOWEL, ONT - The latest date reported should be JA/19/04. There are six 1900 dates reported in Bill Moffatt's notes for the interval from FE/26/00 to AP/18/00.

GRENFELL, ASSA - Appendix C should have a "x" in the 3 Cent Jubilee column.

ASHCROFT STATION, BC - Appendix C should not have a "x" in the 3 Cent Jubilee column; (both) Jubilee strikes are on the 1 Cent issue.

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Much to my surprise, these reports have produced four full pages! I will, therefore hold the NASSAGAWEYA article and the correspondence update until the first ANNEX in 1989. See you next year!!

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