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by Peter M. Mann

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The Canadian commissioner for PHILATOKYO '81 (see Coming Events) is Dr. Fred G. Stulberg, 577 Kingston Rd., Toronto, Ontario. M4E 1R3.

Please address all enquiries regarding this international exhibition to him.

Canadian Cinderellas

Parcel Express Labels: Acadian Lines, by H. D. Allen, in *The Cinderella Philatelist*, 19(2):34-36, 1979. In this article, Dr. Allen presents a study of the current and recent labels of Acadian Lines Limited of Nova Scotia. The labels are illustrated and described, as is the method of their use.

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course authored by Bill Olecheski of Falls Church, Virginia.

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Richard William (Bill) Purves

Mr. Purves, whose talk on "The Future of Philatelic Experts", given to the Philatelic Specialists' Society of Canada appeared in the Jan.-Feb. 1979 Canadian Philatelist, died suddenly at his home in Australia on 13 May 1979, at the age of 76.

Mr. Purves began his philatelic life at the age of eight and won his first award in the junior section of the Second Australasian Philatelic Exhibition in

Melbourne in 1921. In 1923, at the age of 20, he joined the Royal Philatelic Society of Victoria and became President of the Society six years later. Serving eight terms as President, between 1929 and 1975, Mr. Purves established a record which will probably not be broken. In 1929 he also became a member of the Royal Philatelic Society, London and was later elected as an Honorary Life Fellow of that Society. In 1937, the title of senior signatory on the Role of Distinguished Philatelists was added to his collection of honours.

The post-war period saw Mr. Purves as a judge at many international exhibitions. His last duties as a judge were performed at CAPEX '78 in Toronto, where he was guest of honour at a dinner hosted by Canadian members of the Royal Philatelic Society of Victoria.

Mr. Purves was a founding member of the Stamp Advisory Committee (established in 1947) and remained on the Board until his work as a Barrister and Solicitor forced his retirement from the Committee in 1964.

Mr. Purves' written accomplishments feature twenty important philatelic books and a host of articles published in philatelic journals around the world.

(from Australian Stamp Bulletin,
No. 142, Aug, 1979)

FAROE ISLANDS - A Redundancy

Using the term Faroe Islands is incorrect. The correct term is The Faeroes, meaning 'sheep islands'. Calling them Faeroe or Faroe Islands is really calling them Sheep Islands Islands.

PHILATELIC FOUNDATION ANALYSIS LEAFLETS

The Philatelic Foundation has issued three new analysis leaflets. The first is Analysis of the Pan American issue of 1901 including the 2¢ invert of 1901. This was the subject for which the Foundation issued its certificate number 75,000 on May 27th last.

The second leaflet is an analysis of the Columbia Issue of 1893. It discusses the printing of that series and the number of



Columbians submitted for opinion from 1945 to Feb. 1979.

The third is an analysis of the Three Pence Beaver of Canada, 1851 and the Newfoundland 4d Scarlet Vermillion issue of 1857. The designing and printing of the originals are discussed and the type of counterfeits are mentioned and illustrated. Shown above is a counterfeit which is included in the analysis leaflet.

The leaflets may be obtained for 50¢ each ppd from The Philatelic Foundation, 270 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016, U.S.A.

APS PAPER PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Recognizing that information in philately about the preservation of stamps and philatelic items is minimal, John E. Foxworth, Jr. President of the American Philatelic Society, has announced the formation of an APS Paper preservation Committee headed by Dr. Charles E. Nolan, historian and writer.

Foxworth, in announcing the formation of the committee stated that "Awareness of the factors contributing to paper deterioration and knowledge in prolonging the life of stamps, covers and related material is vital to the future of our hobby".

Nolan advised that "Our first task is to make collectors aware of the main factors involved in the preservation of philatelic material". To that end, The American Philatelist, March 1979, contained the first of a two-part article on philatelic conservation.

Other committee members are: Dr. Hubert C. Skinner, New Orleans, LA, David Lidman, Southbury, CT, Loren B. Meyer, Aloha, OR, and Dean DeBolt, Springfield, IL.

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Letters to the Editor

Further comments on the New Carlisle Postmaster's Provisional Cover

Dear Sir:

I have read with a great deal of interest the well prepared article by C. N. Richardson on the Gaspé Provisional Cover. However, after reading Mr. Richardson's analysis of the manuscript markings on the cover, I am left wondering if there is not a better interpretation and beg leave to submit an alternative.

I suggest that the manuscript notation is a docketing put there by the recipient of the letter, not a validation or a cancellation, placed there by Mr. Kelly, the Postmaster. This hypothesis is based on the following:

a) The format is typical of docketings of the period, what the item is, who it is from, and the date. These docketings are plentiful on letters addressed to business houses.

b) If Mr. Kelly were applying a manuscript postmark to the letter, he would have given the town name and a more complete date, the date of the day as well as the year.

c) There would have been no requirement for Kelly to write "Letter" in his endorsement or postmark, if that is what it is.

d) Kelly, as a Postmaster and familiar with regulations, would not have written anything on the face of the cover which would interfere with the address.

Fortunately my hypothesis is amenable to solution, or discredit. If postal records still exist, it should be simple to compare the writing and signature on the cover supposed to have been put there by Postmaster Kelly with Postmaster Kelly's writing and signature in the records. And, as a 'long shot', samples of Mr. Miller's handwriting might be found in Toronto Archives. He would have been a doctor, or a property owner, or someone whose

signature would be required on city documents.

I find the last sentence of the first paragraph in the right hand column of page 161 rather confusing if not completely in error. Firstly, how does one cancel a letter? A stamp, yes, a letter, no way. If the author meant to say cancelling the stamp on early stamped letter then the answer is not a written memo but by a pen stroke or by the impression of an obliterator provided by the Post Office. If, on the other hand, the author means postmarking an early letter then the notation is not typical because the Post Office name is not given nor is the date complete. Also note, in the third paragraph, right column on page 161, the New Carlisle postmark is incorrectly described as New Gaspé.

Jacque Houser,
Seahurst, Washington, U.S.A.

Do Dealers Mislead Collectors

Dear Sir:

I have often wondered whether or not certain items in advertisements placed by respectable dealers in the Canadian Philatelist and other philatelic publications are intended to take advantage of the collector. Many times items priced well below the current market value are included in lists but the dealers seem to have no intention at all of selling these items at their price advertised.

I recently ordered an item which was selling at about 80% of the going rate (compared with other dealers prices) from a current advertisement in the Canadian Philatelist. However, when I got the item, the dealer's price had risen 75% and I was billed for the remainder. It appears to me that this respectable dealer (?) had no intention of selling this item at the price he had advertised but at an inflated price, hoping to use the initial money I sent (for a complete order) as a deposit only. The

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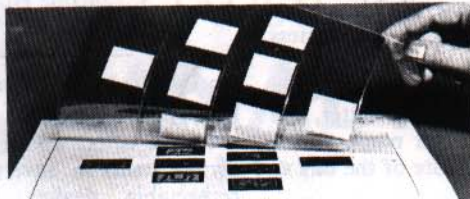
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dealer gave the excuse that his prices had gone up since the current issue of the Canadian Philatelist had come out and that the next issue would contain his new prices. Actually his price increases didn't appear until four months later in the Canadian Philatelist.

I have also found myself ordering an advertised item (which is priced below the current market value) the day that I receive a philatelic publication only to get a reply that the item is sold out. Are these value items placed in a list by a dealer hoping that the collector will also order other material from the list? This other material could bring in substantial profit while the value priced items are not actually intended to be sold at the price advertised.

Frustrated Bargain Seeker*.

* Name on file.

Dear Sir:

I have in my possession two very unusual stamps. I have not been able to find them listed in any catalogue. Can any of your readers help me clarify them. They are:

Great Britain A128, white, and United States A217, 6 cents, Washington. It should be orange-red but is grey-brown, precancelled Little Rock, Ark.

If anyone has any information on these stamps, please write to me.

Leo Frenette
214 Sumaresq St.,
Bathurst, N.B., E2A 1H8

Commemorative Stamps

Dear Sir:

Lately I have seen several letters questioning the use of commemorative stamps by the general public, and wondering what becomes of them if not actually used to repay postage. The other day, having more idle time than right good sense, I decided to make my own study of this question. I acquired a full week's receipt of envelopes from a local credit card payment office and sorted them.

From a cursory examination of the cancellations (and have you noted that

lately the cancellations are virtually illegible, maybe to prevent us from learning how slow our mail service really is), I determined that these envelopes had been postmarked between June 11 and June 21, and originated mainly from points west of Ontario. Here is what I found:

Authors	389
Turtle	296
Postal Code	595
Colonels	584
Provincial Flags	62
Montreal (Quebec?)	22
Christmas	29
Miscellaneous (pre-1979? Ed.)	30
Total Commemoratives	2007
Definitives total	4667
Meters, other non-stamp	1127
Total envelopes counted	7801

From these figures, it can be seen that more than 25% of this mail carried commemorative stamps, and if only those envelopes with stamps were counted, 30% of them had commemoratives. The presence of 62 flag stamps, which had been released only a few days before the envelopes were collected, shows that new special stamps are used as soon as they are available. I cannot imagine mail less conducive to philatelic franking than this, yet the general public used commemorative stamps 3 times out of 10.

All in all it would seem that the general public likes and uses commemorative stamps and, that the post office department should continue their issuance as now established.

Richard H. Wilsey,
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Le 5¢ de la Grande Reine

par Guy des Rivieres



Exemple du 5¢ payant le tarif postal et recommandation
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Ce timbre a eu la plus courte vie de tous les timbres de l'émission dite de la "Grande Reine".

Au début de septembre 1875, le Ministère des Postes a requis la British American Bank Note de préparer un timbre de 5 cents à l'effigie de la Reine à l'occasion de la réduction du tarif postal. Cette compagnie avait préparé en 1868 les vignettes de cette émission dite de la "Grande Reine" soit les valeurs suivantes: 1¢, 2¢, 3¢, 5¢, 6¢, 12-1/2¢ et 15¢.

Le 15¢ fut émis un peu plus tard et un timbre de 1/2¢ fut ajouté mais émis en 1872 à format réduit.

Le timbre de 5 cents préparé ne fut pas émis en 1868, vu qu'aucun tarif ne correspondait à cette valeur car au 1er avril 1868 le tarif postal pour le Canada et les Etats-Unis fut réduit à 3 cents de 5 cents et

le tarif pour la Grande Bretagne et Europe de l'Ouest à 6 cents de 8 cents.

Cependant lorsque le tarif pour la Grande Bretagne et l'Europe de l'Ouest fut réduit à 5 cents le 1er octobre 1875, on réalisa la nécessité d'un timbre de 5 cents. Ce n'est toutefois qu'un mois avant cette date que le sous-ministre W. H. Griffin requit la British American Bank Note de préparer avec "extrême diligence" un timbre de 5 cents de couleur grise.

Il semble maintenant acquis que l'imprimeur sortit de ses filières la matrice du 5 cents préparée en 1868 mais non utilisée. Quelques modifications furent apportées, une épreuve de couleur gris olive fut préparée, l'inscription marginale fut modifiée de British American Bank Note Co. Montreal & Ottawa en rayant Ottawa vu que les presses de la compagnie avaient été démenagées à Montréal.

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L'utilisation en 1875 d'un nouveau timbre à la grande effigie de la Reine résulte sans doute de l'urgence, car à cette époque les timbres à la petite effigie étaient en cours depuis plus de cinq ans soit 1870 et le timbre si ce n'avait été de l'urgence, aurait sans doute été émis à petite effigie. D'ailleurs, dès février 1876 apparaissait le timbre de 5 cents à petite effigie pour remplacer le précédent. On peut dire que d'une certaine façon ce timbre fut "provisoire" pour répondre à un besoin urgent soit la réduction du tarif postal et pour accélérer la mise en usage d'un tel timbre d'une façon rapide et économique on sortit des tiroirs le timbres préparé en 1868 et non émis.

Ce timbre a donc eu une courte vie soit du 1 octobre 1875 au 1er février 1876 mais aussi une vie commune avec le 5 cents à petite effigie jusqu'à épuisement des stocks. Le nombre total de timbres de 5 cents émis fut tout de même de 1,250,000.

Ce timbre est remarquable par son impression et sa gravure très soignée, on ne relève aucune variété majeure, la couleur aussi est assez uniforme, principale-

ment dû au fait de sa courte durée.

La dentelure régulière est de 11.5 x 12 et peut aller jusqu'à 11.7 x 12 il existe aussi une dentelure de 12 x 12 qui est rare.

Comme nous l'avons vu ce timbre fut émis pour répondre au tarif postal régulier de 5 cents pour la Grande Bretagne et l'Ouest de l'Europe soit France, Allemagne, etc.

Ce timbre pouvait aussi servir à payer le tarif de poste et de recommandation sur une lettre adressée au Canada soit 3¢ pour la poste et 2¢ pour la recommandation. On trouve des exemples de cet usage surtout durant la période du 1er octobre 1875 au 15 octobre 1876 date à laquelle fut décrétée l'utilisation obligatoire du timbre pour lettre recommandée sur de tels envois. Du 15 novembre 1875 date de l'émission du timbre pour lettres recommandées jusqu'au 15 octobre 1876 l'usage du timbre pour la lettre recommandée était facultatif.

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1972 Canadian Definitive Series: Caricature and Landscape

Part 1

by John G. Schmidt

These are the results of a study of the Caricature and Landscape stamp series as issued in sheets, coils and booklets from 1972 to 1976. The stamps have been classified according to paper type, degree of fluorescence of the paper and the nature of the tagging. I have listed those basic types that can be collected by the specialists. No attempt has been made to list errors, untagged stamps, printed on gum side, missing colors, etc.

Before presenting the results, terms and criteria used will be discussed.

PAPER TYPES

Stamps were examined by holding them up to a light source and letting the light illuminate the back of the stamp. The texture was viewed with a 10 power magnifying glass. The paper types recognized are given below:

Wove - for the lower values printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co. (CBN), the texture is blotchy; light and dark spots can be seen.

Wove - for the medium and high values printed by the British American Bank Note Co. (BABN), the texture is even; no light or dark spots can be seen. This applies to the 7¢, 8¢ and 10¢ printed by BABN.

Horizontal Laid - Ribbed - Hor-Rib - this seems to be a true laid paper. Horizontal lines can be detected when the stamp is held up to a light source. Furthermore, when the stamp is held at an oblique angle to the light, the ridges are quite prominent.

Wove - Ribbed Effect - Wov-Rib - a fourth type of paper, common only to those stamps printed by BABN, shows this ribbing effect. When the stamp is held up to a light source the paper will appear as **Wove**, with an even texture, however, when the stamp is held at an oblique angle, very fine vertical (v) or horizontal (h) lines will appear. These lines are not as pronounced as those described in the paragraph above. I am of the opinion that this is actually produced by a coating that is applied to the face of the paper prior to printing.

PAPER FLUORESCENCE

In this article I have classified the paper of all stamps front and back. The standards used are those of David Gronbeck-Jones, as described in his Maple Leaf Review article "Degree of Fluorescence Confusing" (Linn's Stamp News, date unknown) but modified for my use. The designation MED/HI means that the front of the stamp shows medium fluorescence and the back of the stamp shows high fluorescence. All stamps were tested under longwave ultra-violet light.

Fluorescence Designation

DULL Stamp Sc. 515
 DULL + Brighter than Sc. 515
 MED — Not as bright as Sc. 558
 MED Stamp 558
 MED + Brighter than Sc. 558

HI — Not as bright as Sc. 625
 HI Stamp Sc. 625
 HI + Brighter than Sc. 625
 HIB — Not as bright as Sc. 516
 HIB Stamp Sc. 516

Mint copies of the above stamps, mounted on non-fluorescent black paper, served as reference standards. Each stamp to be classified was compared with the standard in a dark room. The tagging strips on the stamps were covered to prevent glare from the tagging.

TAGGING

Three types of tagging were used for this series:

Winnipeg tagging - a phosphorescent material which glows for a short time after removal of ultra-violet excitation. Care should also be taken when applying ultra-violet light to Winnipeg tagged stamps. Too much excitation will cause the phosphorescent material to deteriorate.

OP-4 tagging - a fluorescent material which "bleeds" over the surface and through the paper. I have had much success in containing the migration by mounting my stamps in showgard mounts.

OP-2 tagging - a fluorescent material which, although it does not "bleed", can sometimes be rubbed onto the fingers.

Figure 1. Right hand warning strip on 1¢ Macdonald pre-cancelled sheet.

**SHEET STAMPS**

All sheets of stamps in this series have the "inscription" printed at all four corners of the sheet. On the precancelled sheets, 1¢, 3¢, 5¢, 6¢ and 8¢, the warning message "WARNING: TO BE USED ONLY AS SPECIALLY AUTHORIZED MISE EN GARDE: N'UTILISER CES TIMBRES QU'AUX FINS AUTORISEES" and the precancel bars (Walburn type Y) are printed in black. The warning message is printed up on the left side and down on the right side of the panes (Fig. 1).



Figure 2. Upper left inscription of the 1¢ orange Macdonald (Sc. 586).

One Cent Orange Sir John A. Macdonald

Scott 586

The Canadian Bank Note Co. was the only printer used to produce these sheets. The first day of issue was October 17, 1973 and the designer was David Annesley. All stamps were perforated 12 X 12 1/2 and the sheets were backed with PVA gum. The pane format was 10 X 10 with inscription being printed in the upper selvage reading from left to right above stamps 1, 2 and 9, 10 and in the lower selvage reading from left to right below stamps 91, 92 and 99, 100 (Fig. 2). All stamps were tagged with OP-2 (4mm).

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	1
WOVE	DULL/DULL	Blank
HOR-RIB	DULL + /MED	1
WOVE	DULL + /DULL +	1

Note: Where plate blocks exist, the "blank corner block counterparts are not listed.

The precancelled varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	N/A (not applicable)
HOR-RIB	DULL + /MED	N/A

Two Cent Green Sir Wilfrid Laurier

Scott 587

General description is the same as the 1¢.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	1
WOVE	HI + /HI +	1
WOVE	DULL/DULL	Blank
HOR-RIB	DULL + /HI	2
HOR-RIB	DULL + /MED +	2
WOVE	DULL/DULL +	2

Three Cent Brown Sir Robert L. Borden**Scott 588**

General description is the same as the 1¢.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	1
WOVE	DULL + /DULL +	Blank

The precancelled varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED + /MED +	N/A
WOVE	MED — /MED —	N/A

Four Cent Black William Lyon Mackenzie King**Scott 589**

General description is the same as the 1¢.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED + /MED +	1
WOVE	DULL + /MED —	Blank
WOVE	HI + /HI +	1
HOR-RIB	DULL + /HI	1
WOVE	DULL/DULL	Blank

Five Cent Purple R. B. Bennett**Scott 590**

General description is the same as the 1¢.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	1
WOVE	DULL/DULL	1
WOVE	DULL + /DULL +	Blank

The precancelled variety is:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	N/A

Six Cent Red Lester B. Pearson**Scott 591**

General description is the same as the 1¢.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	MED/MED	1
WOVE	HI/HI	Blank
HOR-RIB	DULL + /MED	2
WOVE	DULL/DULL	3

The precancelled varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	HI/HI	N/A
WOVE	MED/MED	N/A
HOR-RIB	DULL/MED	N/A



Figure 3. Inscription blocks of plates 1 and 2 showing differences in inscription format and position and in the perforations.

Seven Cent Brown Louis Stephen St. Laurent

Scott 592

The 7¢ St. Laurent stamp (Fig. 3) was also designed by David Annesley and was printed by the British American Bank Note Co., (plate 1) and by the Canadian Bank Note Co., (plate 2). The day of issue (pl. 1) was April 8, 1974.

Both printings were in panes of 100 (10 X 10), with PVA gum, perforated 12 X 12.5 and tagged with OP-2 (4 mm). Plate inscriptions for the BABN printing read upwards on the left side opposite stamps 1, 11 and 81, 91 and read downwards on the right side opposite stamps 10, 20 and 90, 100. The plate inscriptions for the CBN printing are as described for the 1¢ stamp.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	DULL/DULL +	1 (BABN)
WOVE	DULL + /MED —	2 (CBN)

Eight Cent Blue Queen Elizabeth II

Scott 593

This is an interesting issue with eight plates, two printers, two gauges of perforations and several patterns of perforations on the panes.

Plates 1 through 6 were printed by the British American Bank Note Co., and plates 7 and 8 plus the precancels were printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co.

The BABN started the issue with perforations of 11.9 X 12.5 (plates 1-5) then changed to 12.9 X 13.3 for plate 6. On plates 1-5, the vertical perforations extend through both the upper and lower selvages. The horizontal perforations extend only one hole past the stamps in the side selvages. In panes from plate 6, the vertical perforations are unchanged while the horizontal perforations now also extend through the side selvages (Fig. 4).



Figure 4. Inscription and perforations differences of plate 1 and 6, 8¢ blue QE II

CBN printed plates 7 and 8 have the vertical perforations running through the top and bottom selvages and the horizontal perforations extending four holes past the stamps into the side selvages.

The first day of issue (plates 1 and 2) was October 17, 1973 and the designer was David Annesley. The perforations will be listed in the varieties below. All sheets were backed with PVA gum. For the BABN printing, the pane format was 10 X 10 with inscription reading upwards in the left selvage next to stamps 1, 11 and 81, 91 and reading downward in the right selvage next to stamps 10, 20 and 90, 100. For the CBN printing, the pane format was also 10 X 10 with inscription reading from left to right above stamps 1, 2 and 9, 10 and reading from left to right below stamps 91, 92 and 99, 100. ALL stamps were tagged with OP-2 (4 mm).

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number	Perforation
WOVE	HI/HI	1 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
HOR-RIB	MED/MED —	1 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
HOR-RIB	MED/MED —	2 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
HOR-RIB	DULL/DULL +	2 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
WOVE	DULL/MED	3 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
WOVE	HI —/MED +	4 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
WOVE	DULL/DULL +	5 (BABN)	11.9 X 12.5
WOVE	DULL/DULL	6 (BABN)	12.9 X 13.3
WOVE	DULL/DULL	7 (CBN)	11.9 X 12.5
WOVE	DULL/DULL	8 (CBN)	11.9 X 12.5

The precancelled variety is:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number	Perforation
WOVE	DULL/DULL	N/A (CBN)	11.9 X 12.5

Ten Cent Red Queen Elizabeth II**Scott 593A**

The increase in the first class letter rate from 8¢ to 10¢ per ounce made a small sized 10¢ stamp necessary. The QE II stamp, designed by David Annesley, was revalued to 10¢ and printed in red by the British American Bank Note Co. The pane layout, perforations, gum, inscription and tagging were as for plate 6 of the 8¢ QE II stamp.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number
WOVE	DULL/DULL +	1
WOVE	MED/MED	2
WOVE	HIB/HIB	Blank



Figure 5. 10¢ Forest, plates 1 and 3, inscription and perforation differences.

Ten Cent Multicolored Forest**Scott 594**

This denomination was printed by the British American Bank Note Co. The first day of issue was September 8, 1972 and the designer was Reinhard Derreth. The pane format was 10 X 10 with inscription being printed in the upper selvage reading from left to right above stamps 1, 2 and 9, 10 and in the lower selvage reading from left to right below stamps 91, 92 and 99, 100. All sheets were backed with PVA gum.

Two different color-design changes are found on this stamp. The first issued stamps show a definite cross-hatching of the green background behind the word "Canada". This will be designated Type I. The later printings were possibly re-engraved to accept more ink, hence, the cross-hatching disappeared and the background became solid. This will be designated Type II.

The varieties are:

Type	Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number	Perforation	Tagging	Band width
I	WOV-RIB (v)	MED — /MED —	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	3 mm
I	WOV-RIB (v)	—	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-4	3 mm
II	WOVE	MED + /HI	2	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	4 mm
II	WOVE	HI + /HIB	2	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	4 mm
I	WOV-RIB (v)	MED — /MED —	Blank	12.5 X 11.9	Winnipeg	

Type	Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number	Perforations	Tagging	Band width
II	WOVE	DULL + /MED —	*	13.3 X 13.2	OP-2	4 mm
II	WOVE	DULL + /MED	3	13.3 X 13.2	OP-2	4 mm
II	WOVE	DULL + /MED —	Blank	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	4 mm

* I have found only one stamp with this fluorescence. The perforations indicate it came from the printing associated with plate 3.

Note: I did not classify the paper types of the medium values that were tagged with OP-4. On my copies the OP-4 has migrated over and through the entire stamp making a true classification impossible.

In sheets from plates 1 and 2, the horizontal perforations extend to the edges of the sheet while the vertical perforations extend into the selvage only one hole beyond the stamps in the top and bottom rows. In the later printing (plate 3) the vertical perforations extended to the edge of the sheet and the inscription was divided in half to allow the perforation to miss the printing (Fig. 5).

Fifteen Cent Multicolored Mountain Sheep

Scott 595

General description is the same as the 10¢ Forest.

Two different color-design changes are found on this stamp. The first issued stamps show definite detail in the center of the background mountains. This will be designated as Type I. The later printings are more heavily inked (possibly re-engraved) and the center detail has disappeared. This will be designated as Type II.

The varieties are:

Type	Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number	Perforations	Tagging	Band width
I	WOV-RIB (v)	MED — /MED	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	3 mm
I	WOV-RIB (v)	—	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-4	3 mm
I	WOV-RIB (v)	MED — /MED —	Blank	12.5 X 11.9	Winnipeg	
II	WOVE	DULL/DULL	Blank	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	4 mm
II	WOVE	MED/HI	2	13.3 X 13.2	OP-2	4 mm
II	WOVE	DULL + /MED +	2	13.3 X 13.2	OP-2	4 mm

The vertical perforations of plate 2 run off the edge of the sheet both top and bottom, splitting the inscription.

Twenty Cent Multicolored Prairie

Scott 596

General description is the same as the 10¢ Forest.

The varieties are:

Paper type	Fluorescence (front/back)	Plate number	Perforations	Tagging	Band width
WOV-RIB (v)	MED/MED +	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	3 mm
WOV-RIB (h)	MED/DULL +	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-2	3 mm
WOV-RIB (v)	—	1	12.5 X 11.9	OP-4	3 mm
WOV-RIB (v)	DULL + /DULL +	Blank	12.5 X 11.9	Winnipeg	
WOVE	DULL/DULL +	Blank	13.3 X 13.2	OP-2	4 mm
WOVE	MED — /HI —	3	13.3 X 13.2	OP-2	4 mm

On sheets of plate 3, the vertical perforations extend through the edge of the sheet. It should also be noted that there was no printing identified as being from plate 2.

(To be continued)

POST-SCRIPTS

BY MAX ROSENTHAL

AN
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FEATURE

Mail Stages Through Ancaster Part 2 (conclusion)

January 17, 1829 the Gazette carried this notice from the Ancaster postmaster: "Sealed tenders will be received at this Office, until Wednesday the 11th day of February next, for conveying the mail from Ancaster to Amherstburg, four years from the fifth day of April next, two trips per week, by way of the River Thames route, stopping at all the intermediate Offices that now are, or may hereafter be established on the way. The whole distance is stated to be 217 miles. The contract is to provide for carrying the mail three times per week. The mails are to be carried in covered vehicles, except at times and places where it may be necessary to carry them on horseback.

"John Burwell, P.M., Post Office, Ancaster, 10th January, 1829."

Postal Service in Western Ontario

That day, January 10, there had been a editorial, which included these comments: "There is no public establishment in these colonies, which, in proportion to the revenue that is paid for its support, affords the Public as little protection and accommodation, as the Post Office Department. The facts, to have been established for the purpose of exacting a revenue, and that the public accommodation was but a subordinate consideration.

"The manner in which the postage on newspapers is levied would in particular justify such an inference — this postage in its amount, is exorbitant and but then some, but in the manner in which it is levied, it is offensive and unjust, because the postage is exacted from the Publisher in advance, whether he ever gets anything for those papers or not. We have sent 200 papers per week into the London District for the last two weeks; in return for which we have not received as much as we pay the postage.

"Another defect in our Post Office System, is the fewness and unequal distribution of Post Offices in the London District — the largest in the Province — there are only eight Offices, two of which are within seven miles of each other; and two others within ten miles*, while in other places there are fifty or sixty miles of thickly settled country on which there is no post office — between Vittoria and St. Thomas's a distance of sixty miles the greater part of which is a fertile, thickly settled and flourishing country, there is none — and between Port Talbot and Amherstburg, in the Western District, a distance of more than one hundred miles there is none. The man who resides thirty or fifty miles from a Post Office — particularly in a Country in which the roads are such as they are in Upper Canada, might as well reside a thousand from it, and it would be about as reasonable for an inhabitant of Morzouck or Mandings, to think of subscribing for a newspaper, as it would be for one who resides on the Rondeau, or the Otter Creek.

"We would suggest to the inhabitants of the Townships in which Post Offices are required, the propriety of petitioning the head of the Department, urging him to establish such Offices in their respective neighbourhoods."

* Post offices within seven miles of each other were Waterford, opened in 1826, and Simcoe established a year later, and Simcoe and Vittoria, opened as Long Point in 1816; those within "10 miles" of each other (actually a little farther), St. Thomas, opened in 1826, and Port Talbot, 1819, as well as London established in 1825 and Delaware, 1820.

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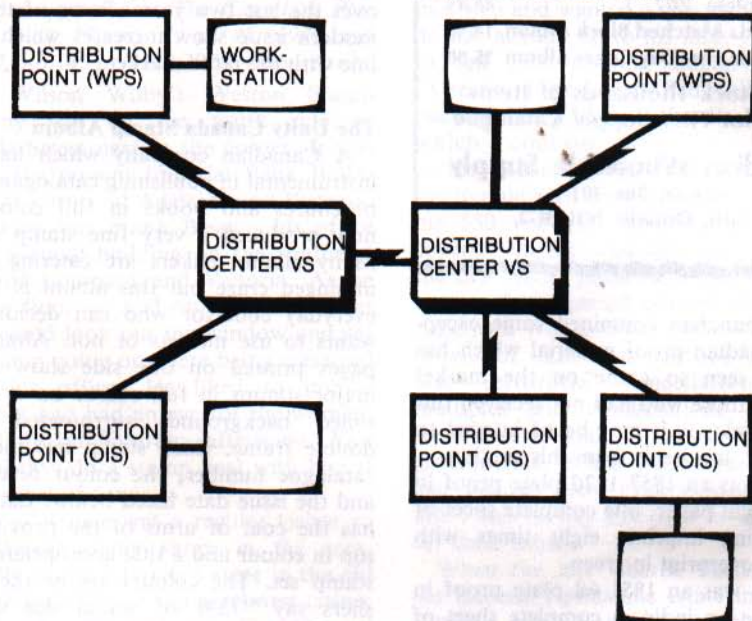
... HANS REICHE

A
REGULAR
FEATURE

It should be possible to stop talking about forgeries once in a while but new information is coming in all the time. The Philatelic Foundation expert committee just issued its 75,000 certificate and the number of requests has increased for this organization as it has for many others. As a member of the Foundation and having carried out some expertization for them, it

as forgeries. Further experts will look at these and then the committee will make the final decision. The certificate has to be prepared, signed and mailed. The Foundation says in regard to on the spot opinions that it would not be to their credit to do so.

This column mentioned before the attempts to automate mail in Canada and in



is interesting that some collectors believe that one can simply visit such organization and, inside of a few minutes, obtain a certificate. Unfortunately this is not possible for any serious expertization. The material has to be carefully processed, recorded, photographed and then a number of experts will give their opinion. On some difficult stamps other experts may have to be called in. Usually extensive reference material must be checked. For example we recently checked some Port Hood stamps and went through over 200 reference copies. We finally marked the two stamps

the USA. The USA has now indicated the kind of mail system which they will employ. The virtual storage computers and word processing systems form a data communication link for sending mail electronically between offices. The hardcopy at the end will have the same quality as the original copy. All mail will land at its intended destination in minutes and will be sorted there automatically. You dial your special mail code number by phone and it will tell you if you have any mail, or it can be delivered in a normal way.

Some years ago one of the last auctions

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held by Shanahan contained some exceptional Canadian proof material which has not been seen to come on the market again. For those who had not received this auction catalogue it may be of interest to quote just a few items from this auction.

Lot 33 was an 1857 1/2d plate proof in pink on india paper, one complete sheet of 120 showing imprints eight times with Specimen overprint in green.

Lot 243 was an 1851 6d plate proof in dull purple on india, a complete sheet of 100 with red Specimen overprint.

Lot 252 was an 1851 6d plate proof in grey on india, complete sheet of 100 with Specimen overprint in yellow.

Lot 374 was a 10d plate proof in blue on india, complete sheet of 120 with Specimen overprint.

Lot 494 was a 5¢ 1859 plate proof in colour on india, complete sheet of 100 with Specimen overprint in black. Another part sheet of 75 was also in the auction.

Lot 575 was a 1859 10¢ plate proof in black brown on india, complete sheet of 100 with Specimen overprint in red.

Lot 684 was a 1859 12 1/2¢ plate proof in colour on india, complete sheet of 100 with Specimen overprint in red.

This material came from the famous Bertram collection and it was valued at £350,000. - for over 1200 lots. Today these proofs alone would bring this. If you are collecting proofs, it is suggested you obtain a copy of The Essays and Proofs of British North America by K. Minuse and R. H. Pratt.

An advanced look at the Vol. 1 of Scott indicates that prices continue to rise but some slowing down of certain items has occurred. These are mainly the items which already had made a major advance over the last two years. Some of the very modern issue show increases which are in line with the retail market.

The Unity Canada Stamp Album

A Canadian company which has been instrumental in publishing catalogues, sales brochures and books in full colour has now produced a very fine stamp album. Many album makers are catering to the unhinged craze but this album is for the everyday collector who can decide if he wants to use mounts or not. Almost 150 pages printed on one side show all the major stamps in full colour on a slightly toned background, surrounded by a double frame. Each stamp has the Scott catalogue number, the colour description and the issue date listed below. Each page has the coat of arms of the provinces at top in colour and a title appropriate to the stamp set. The colours are as the publishers say "75% of actual size and although every effort has been made to reproduce colour accurately, these should be used as a guide only". This statement is very modest since the majority of colours are very accurate and could hardly be better. Another feature, which so many albums overlook, is that all coil stamps are shown in pairs not singles. Even the different tagging of some of the more recent issues are shown. Paris Graphics certainly must be congratulated for this fine effort. An attractive binder goes with this album.

VICTORIA AND ADELAIDE

Part 3

by Vincent G. Green

We present the third part of the story of the philatelic centre of Toronto. The first two parts appeared in The Canadian Philatelist, Vol. 27, no. 1, p. 45, 1976 and Vol. 27, no. 4, p. 211, 1976, respectively.

The Wilson Wilby's Weston Stamp Company was on the south side of Adelaide Street next to the corner. It was part of the present Imperial Bank Building at the corner of Adelaide and Victoria. Then there was Frank Bessy - his office was in a small building on the southeast corner of Lombard and Victoria. As he was one floor up and on a slightly lower level I could look out my window and see what stamp going-ons were being transacted in Bessy's office. He liked to imbibe somewhat and had an eye for the women, particularly on Saturday afternoon. You could always do a stamp deal with him if he was short of funds.

General Rennie was a regular visitor to the different stamp shops in the area, especially to Fred Jarrett's store in the old Sun Life Building on the northwest corner of Adelaide and Victoria. The General always carried a little sachel with him filled with stamps and covers that he wished to sell or trade. As the General lost everything in the financial crash of 1929, he had to resort to selling and trading stamps. Although he was on a small pension from the Rennie Seed Co., which had been owned by his father, William Rennie, it was not enough. During the Depression I kited cheques for the General but his limit with me was \$60. He would go to the bank and find out what cheques were in clearing and come over to my office to get

enough to cover them.

One day he came into the office at half past two and wanted a cheque for \$50. As he was already up to his limit I was going to tell him nothing doing. He said, "Greene, I have just had delivered two packing cases from Pickard's Warehouse which contain all the 1896-1904 correspondence (when I was President of the Rennie Seed company), and if you give me \$50 you can have the pick of 500 covers." In my long life this is probably the best stamp purchase I ever made. The covers of this period covered the Spanish-American War and Boer War. There were dozens of illustrated patriotic covers and also territorial cancellations. Many multiples and combinations of stamps were used to make up the 7¢ and 8¢ registered rate. When I counted up those I had picked, there were over 600 covers, but I had to pay 10¢ each to the General for these extras.

When the late Charlie Foster handled the General's philatelic estate in the early forties, Mr. Foster, a retired bank manager, sold the 2¢ Map stamp on cover for \$10 a hundred. This was before Whitehead's book on squared circle cancels. He bought several thousand which was the nucleus of his squared circle map collection. Incidentally, Mr. Foster raised over \$900 for the estate against a dealer's offer of \$150.

In May of 1979, there are more stamp dealers gathered in this area of Adelaide and Victoria Streets than in my earlier years.

Centennial Coil Variety

by Douglas C. Irwin

It has now been 12 1/2 years since the Canada Post Office issued a new set of definitives on February 8, 1967. The Centennial Definitives turned out to be one of the most complex issues to date and many of the varieties still have not been documented.

The 4¢ coil (CS 467) was printed in sheets of 5000 stamps (10 vertical rows of 500 subjects) by the Canadian Bank Note Company and cut into 10 vertical coil rolls of 500 stamps each. The coils were perforated 9 1/2 horizontally. At some time during the perforation process, a perforating pin broke, producing a constant variety in the form of a missing perforation. This variety is found in one of the 10 rolls of coils from each sheet of 5000. The missing perforation occurs every 24 stamps, starting between stamps 8 and 9, then between 32 and 33, 56 and 57, and so on, finishing between stamps 488 and 489. This variety occurs 21 times in the roll of 500 stamps (or 21 times in the



sheet of 5000 uncut subjects).

I would be interested in knowing whether anyone has found this variety occurring in any of the other CBNC produced Centennial Definitive coils (CS 466, 466 precancelled, 468 and 468 precancelled).

Tagging Varieties of the Current Coil Stamps

by Paul V. Roling

A unique tagging variety on the 8¢ coil stamp (550p) of the 1976 Centennial definitive series has recently been described by Irwin¹. The coil stamps of the Caricature series, No. 604 and 605, and of the current series, No. 729, 730 and 731, present yet another type of tagging variety.

This tagging variety was found on a pair of the 12¢ Parliament coil stamps. The left stamp of the pair has the 4 mm tagging bar entirely inside the left perforations while there is still part of the right tagging bar on the right side of the stamp (see Figure 1 for a diagrammatic representation). Normally the 4 mm tagging bars are about 16 mm apart and applied over the

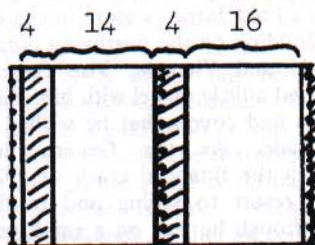


Figure 1.

perforations. Since the stamps are about 20 mm wide the regular placement of the tagging bars over the perforations occurs. Here, however, the bars on the left stamp are only 14 mm apart while on the right

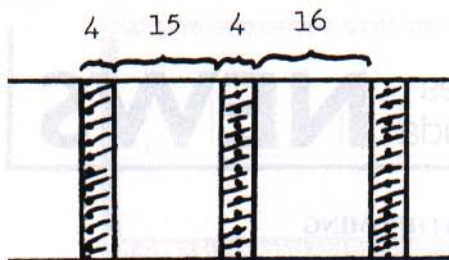


Figure 2.

stamp they are the normal 16 mm apart. Similar pairs were located on the 14¢ and 17¢ Parliament coil stamps. A strip of 50 of the 17¢ coil stamps was examined to reveal that: (1) from right to left, the 1-8, 10-26, 28-44 and 46-50th stamps had 4+ mm bars 16- mm apart, (2) the 9th, 27th and 45th stamps had bars 15 mm apart (Figure 2), (3) the 27th and 28th stamps were the jump pair. Similar spacings of the tagging bars can be found on the 8¢ and 10¢ Queen Elizabeth II Caricature coil stamps. On these stamps, I have noted spacings of 14 mm and 18 mm, including one single where only 3 mm of the tagging bar appear on the left and there is no sign of the tagging bar on the right.

The current coil stamps are printed a sheets of 1000 (10 rows of 100 subjects each) with continuous tagging bars applied

over the vertical perforations. The size of the plates used to print the coil stamps are presumed to be 36 stamps wide², at which point the plates are joined. When the alignment of successive plates is not exact the joint of the plates can be noticeable. The stamps to each side of the joint can be closer to each other than the rest of the stamps on the plate or farther apart, usually only about 1/2 mm deviation, and/or they can be misaligned by one stamp design being higher than the other creating the so-called "jump".

Apparently the tagging bars are printed from plates joined together much as the coil plates. The tagging plates appear to be joined every 18 bars (or stamps)—half the size of the coil plates. When the tagging plates are not exactly aligned the "joint" is noticeable as the stamps to either side of the "joint" are closer together than normal or farther apart. Normally the 4 mm tagging bars are about 16 mm apart. In cases where there is a misaligned tagging "joint" the two adjacent bars can be from 14 mm up to 18 mm apart. Or more?

¹ D. Irwin, *Canadian Philatelist*, 30 (2), (1979).

² K. R. Coe, *Stamp Collector*, 52 (27), 58-59 (1979).

LETTERS (Continued from page 279)

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Canada**NEWS****ISSUED AND FORTHCOMING****INUIT - Shelter (left), Community (right).**

July 3 - 17¢ Canoe-Kayak (Slalom and Wild Water) World Championships at Jonquière and Desbiens, Québec, June 30-July 8.

The stamp was printed by lithography. The silver colour was used as a ground upon which the other three colours, blue, green and ochre, were lithographed. This gives the stamp a metallic sheen. 25,000,000 were printed.

August 16 - 17¢ women's Field Hockey World Championships, Vancouver, B.C.

August 16-30. Printing of this stamp was similar to the above, i.e., silver ground with green, ochre and black? lithographed over. 25,000,000 were printed.

August 16 - 15¢ Wildflower definitive - Canadian Violet (*Viola canadensis*). It

It was printed in one colour (black) steel engraving and three colour (blue, yellow, green) photogravure. It will be continuously printed.

September 13 - 2 x 17¢, 2 x 17¢ Inuit - Shelter/Community. The two "Shelter" stamps are printed se tenant in sheets of 50 stamps as are the two "Community" stamps. Both sheets were printed in five colour lithography.

The Shelter stamps depict a summer tent from a Cape Dorset Inuit print by Kiakshuk, and a winter igloo from a Povungnituk Inuit soapstone carving by Abraham.

The Community stamps depict a Holman Island print "The Dancer" by Kalvak, and two Repulse Bay Inuit soapstone carving - left figure by Madeleine Isserkut, right figure by Jean Mapsalak.

October 17 - 15¢, 17¢, 35¢ Christmas - no information available.

October 24 - 17¢ International Year of the Child - no information available.

November 15 - 2 x 17¢, 2 x 35¢ Aircraft - amphibians - no information available.

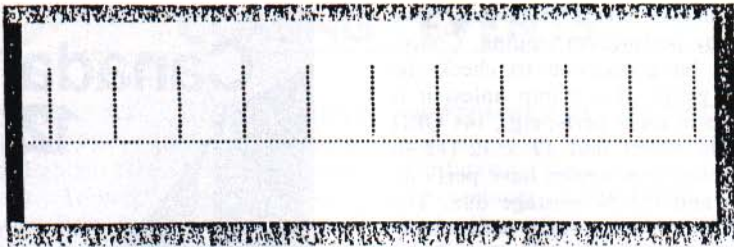
NEW BOOKLETS AVAILABLE

July 3 - The \$3.50 booklets which were released in November 1978, have been replaced by a \$4.25 booklet which contains twenty five seventeen cent QE II definitive stamps and two labels. The stamps are perforated 12 x 12 1/2. The covers use the same five designs as those on the \$3.50 booklets (Can. Phil., vol. 30, no. 1, p. 33, 1979). The British American Bank Note Company printed these booklets as well as the 50¢ booklets issued in March.

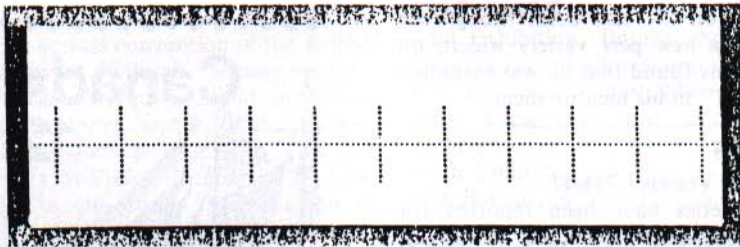
LITTLE PERFS - The Explanation

The following explanation of "Little Perfs" (Can. Phil. 30 (3): 174, 1979) has been provided by Jim Kraemer, Manager, National Postal Museum.

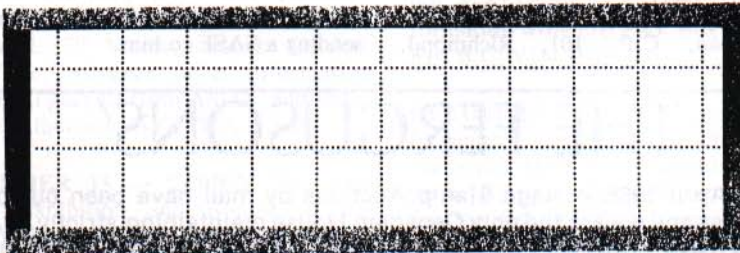
The little perfs are found on stamps printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company. That company uses a step and



**Ashton-Potter Ltd., Toronto, Ont. Single comb perforation.
Step and repeat perforating die.**



**Canadian Bank Note Co., Ltd., Ottawa, Ont. Variation of single
comb perforation. Step and repeat perforating die.**



**British American Bank Note Co., Ltd., Ottawa, Ont. Harrow perforation.
Platen die perforates complete sheet.**

repeat perforating die which is a modified single comb perforator. Each strike of the perforating unit perforates the lower half of one row of stamps and the upper half of the row beneath it.

Occasionally the perforating unit does not step forward correctly and continues the perforating too close to the preceding perforations. This produces "little perfs" in the middle of the edge of the stamp.

The above illustrations show the differences in perforating methods used by the three security printers which print Canadian stamps.

Ed. note: Occasionally the sheet is not moved far enough and two consecutive

perforating strikes result in a double perf in the middle of the edge of the stamp. This may be corrected for after two or three steps with the result that a "large perf" (wider space between holes) may be present one or several rows below the double perf if that sheet is perforated from the top downwards. If the perforating was from the bottom upwards, the "large perf" came first and the later correction for the incorrect movement of the sheet produced the "double perf".

The "large perf" and the "double perf" have been found on a sheet of Sc 587, 2¢ Laurier.

Stuart Clark (Winnipeg) notes that few

collectors will ever have a "little perf" give them a wrong perforation reading. Collectors seldom have occasion to check the perforation gauge of a stamp unless it is issued in two or more perfs, e.g., 14¢ QEII - 13 x 13 in sheets and 12 x 12 1/2 in booklets (centre row copies have perfs on four sides) and the 5¢ postage due. The "little perf" is found only occasionally and only on stamps printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company for the reasons given above.

A dealer on the east coast thought he had found a new perf variety which, on checking, was found that he was including a "little perf" in his measurement.

VARIETIES

1977 Sailing Vessels - 744-47

Two varieties have been reported for two of these stamps. On stamp 12 (R3/2), the Pinky (744), the "1" of 12 is broken at the top. The other variety occurs on stamp 37 (R8/2), the Tern Schooner (745). The final "a" of Canada is misprinted. Mr. Donald Jean, C.P. 101, Richmond,



Pinky



Tern Schooner

Québec, JOB 2H0, provided the information and further can be obtained by sending a SASE to him.

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SEPTEMBER 13 - 15 SEPTEMBRE — BNAPEX, annual convention of the British North America Philatelic Society, exhibition, bourse, banquet, social activities, ladies programme, at the Chateau Frontenac Hotel, Quebec. Chairman: Guy des Rivières, 71 St-Pierre, Québec, G1K 4A4. BNAPEX la convention annuelle de la British North America Philatelic Society. Cette manifestation aura lieu au Château Frontenac à Québec.

SEPTEMBER 13-16 — ASDA's STAMP FESTIVAL '79, Madison Square Garden, New York. Advance ticket information (direct mail packet) from ASDA, 840 Willis Avenue, Albertson, NY 11507, U.S.A.

SEPTEMBER 15 — COPEX '79, 10th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Cobourg Stamp Club, St. Peter's Church Hall, King St. East at College St., Cobourg, Ont. Free admission, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cacheted cover.

SEPTEMBER 15-23 — BRASILIANA '79, Third FIP International Exhibition on Thematic Philately and First Inter-American Exhibition of Classic Philately under FIAF at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Canadian Commissioner: Michael Madesker, 157 Clifton Ave., Downsview, Ont., M3H 4L6.

SEPTEMBER 28-30 — CORNPEX '79, biennial exhibition and bourse of Chapter 133, the Corn Belt Philatelic Society in the Scottish Rite Temple, downtown Bloomington, Illinois. Information from General Chairman, Louis Rediger, Box 625, Bloomington, IL 61701, U.S.A.

1979

SEPTEMBER 29 — MUSPEX '79, annual exhibition and bourse of the Muskoka Philatelic Society, Trillium Room, Gravenhurst Opera House, Gravenhurst, Ont. Free admission. Information from: Ted Lyon, Box 187, Gravenhurst, Ontario, P0C 1G0.

SEPTEMBER 29 — BANPEX '79, Annual Exhibition, Bourse and Auction of the Penobscot Valley Stamp Club, Holiday Inn, Main St., Bangor, Maine, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Prospectus and information on cacheted cover and special railroad cancel from Chairman: William S. Arata, MRB 460, Bangor, ME 04401, U.S.A.

SEPT. 29 & 30 — David Thompson Stamp Club's 9th Annual Exhibition & Bourse in the Arena and Community Complex - 6th Ave. South - Castlegar, B.C. For information write c/o P.O. Box 3273, Castlegar, B.C. V1N 3H6.

OCTOBER 5-6 — Vancouver Island Stamp Exhibition and bourse, Christ Church Memorial Hall, 912 Vancouver St., Victoria, B.C. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. daily. Admission 50¢ with show cover. Information from: G. Freeman, 3963 Cumberland Road, Victoria, B.C., V8P 3J7.

OCTOBER 5-7 — First Canadian International Postcard Exposition, Sheraton Landmark Hotel, 1400 Robson St., Vancouver, B.C. Chairman: K. C. Garner, Associated B.C. Deltiologists, P.O. Box 80773, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 3Y1.

OCTOBER 5-7 — ASDA 2nd Annual Southwest Show, Adams Hotel, Phoenix, Arizona.

OCTOBER 13 - 14 — WORLD OF STAMPS '79, Exhibition, Bourse and Banquet of the Kamloops Stamp Club, Stockmen's Hotel, Victoria St., Kamloops, B.C. Information from: L. R. Yow, Chairman, P.O. Box 48, Kamloops, B.C., V2C 5K3.

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OCTOBER 20 — KENTPEX, annual exhibition and bourse of the Kent County Stamp Club at Wheels Motor Inn, Chatham, Ont., (Hwy 2 and Richmond St.) Free admission, free parking. Chairman: Dr. Bill Greenwood, 78 Victoria Ave., Chatham, Ontario N7L 3A1.

OCTOBER 20-21 — KAPEX 1979, Stamp Exhibition and Bourse of the Dutchess Philatelic Society, Kingston Stamptrotters Society and Newburgh Stamp Club, at the Dutchess Mall, intersection of New York Interstate 84 and US Rte 9, East Fishkill, NY. Information from Lesley M. Lorent, Mac Ghee Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, U.S.A.

OCTOBER 20-21 — GUELPH STAMP SHOW, Annual Exhibition, Bourse and dinner of the Guelph Stamp Club, St. James Junior High School, 57 Victoria Rd. N., Guelph, Ont. Free admission, free parking. Chairman: F. Rolfe, R.R. 3, Guelph, Ont., N1H 4E0.

OCTOBER 24 - 31 — INJUNPEX -IYC, International Junior Philatelic Exhibition, Pt. I (UNO and UN related material), sponsored by the Junior Ambassadors-UNICEF Committee for the International Year of the Child, UN Headquarters, New York, NY. Open to all juniors to age 18. Application deadline Sept. 30. Applications from: Melvin Garabrant, 63 Park Ave., Verona NJ 07044, U.S.A.

OCTOBER 26-27 — Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the East Toronto Stamp Club at the Cedarbrae Shopping Centre, Lawrence Ave., E. at Markham Road, Scarborough, Ont. Information from R. Reakes, 188 Woodmount Ave., Toronto, Ont., M4C 3Z4.

NOVEMBER 8 - 11 — INJUNPEX -IYC, Pt. II - worldwide, topical and literature exhibition at New York Coliseum with ASDA's National Postage Stamp Show. Application deadline Sept. 30. Age limit 18 years. Applications from Melvin Garabrant, 63 Park Ave., Verona NJ 07044, U.S.A.

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NOVEMBER 8-11 — ASDA NATIONAL POSTAGE STAMP SHOW, New York Coliseum, New York. Theme "Space and Man". Space and lunar exhibits, post offices and philatelic agencies, special cancels, etc. Information from: Joseph B. Savarese, Show Director, 840 Willis Ave., Albertson, NY 11507. U.S.A.

NOVEMBER 8-11 — ASDA National Postage Stamp Show '79, New York Coliseum.

NOVEMBER 9-11 — HAMILTON-BUFFALO STAMP EXHIBITION, auction and Bourse of the Hamilton Philatelic Society, Crestwood Restaurant (Strathbarton Mall) 1565 Barton St., Hamilton, Ont. Auction, Fri. 7:45 p.m., Exhibition and Bourse, Sat. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Chairman: Barry Hong, 50 Jerome Crescent, No. 806, Stoney Creek, Ont., L8E 1K6.

1980

JANUARY 11-13 — Southern Florida ASDA Exposition, Deauville Hotel, Miami, Florida.

JANUARY 11-20 — INDIA 80, International Philatelic Exhibition at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, India. 3000 frames. Canadian Commissioner from whom information may be obtained: Mr. A. H. Hinrichs, c/o Acres Limited, 1124 Northside Road, Burlington, Ontario, L7M 1H4.

FEBRUARY 16-17 — ALAPEX '80, Exhibition and Bourse of the Birmingham Philatelic Society at the Holiday Inn, 20th Place, 420 South 20th St., Birmingham, Alabama. Special cover and cachet. Admission free. Information from: Birmingham Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 3403-A, Birmingham, AL 35205, U.S.A.

MAY 6-14 — LONDON 1980, London International Stamp Exhibition, Earls Court exhibition centre, London, England. 4,000 frames, 200 trade stands. Information available from The Secretary, London

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1980, P.O. Box 300, London WC2R 1AF, England.

Canadian Commissioner: Dr. Fred G. Stulberg, 577 Kingston Rd., Toronto, Ont., M4E 1R3.

MAY 23-27 — JUPOSTEX - EINDHOVEN 1980, International Youth Stamp Exhibition in Eindhoven, Netherlands, sponsored by the Netherlands Federation of Stamp Collectors. Canadian Commissioner, Michael Madesker, c/o R. Madesker & Son Ltd., 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ontario, M3J 2T8.

MAY 29-31 — CALTAPEX '80, Annual Exhibition, Bourse and Banquet of the Calgary Philatelic Society, Palliser Hotel, Calgary, Alberta. Prospectus, bourse space and other information from: E. A. Harris, P.O. Box 1478, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2L6.

MAY 29-31 — R.P.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTION at Calgary (see above).

JUNE 13 - 22 — NORWEX 80, International Stamp Exhibition commemorating the 125th anniversary of Norwegian stamps. Norges Varemesse. Oslo. Contact address: The General Secretariat, NORWEX 80, Postboks 1043 Sentrum, Oslo 1, Norway. Canadian Commissioner: Mr. A. Hinrichs, 80 Speers Road, Oakville, Ontario, L6K 2E3.

SEPTEMBER 25-28 — STaMpsHOW 80, Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society at the Sheraton-Spokane Hotel, Spokane, Washington.

1981

OCTOBER 9 - 18 — PHILATOKYO '80', International Stamp Exhibition under patronage of FIP in Tokyo International Trade Center, Tokyo. Canadian Commissioner: Dr. F. G. Stulberg, 577 Kingston Rd., Toronto, Ontario M4E 1R3.

1986

MAY 23 - JUNE 1 — AMERIPEX '86, Chicago International Philatelic Exhibition, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

STAMP FRAUD UNCOVERED

Stamps sent to the Vincent G. Greene Philatelic Research Foundation for expertisation alerted the members of the committee to a possible stamp fraud involving the reperforation of stamps to make them appear to be well centered copies. The Canadian Stamp Dealers Association was made aware of the situation but, by then, they too had become suspicious of irregularities. The two organizations compared findings and concluded that a fraud was actually being perpetrated. The Anti-Rackets Squad of the Ontario Provincial Police was informed.

Intensive investigation by the Provincial and Federal Police Forces resulted in a raid on the home of Harold E. Conyers of Montreal, Quebec. Records, stamps and equipment were seized and a charge of fraud was laid. Seized documents indicated that Mr. Conyers had purchased 231 stamps from January 3, 1979 to April 30, 1979 and, after reperforating many of them, had sold 77 at a profit of \$4,863.00. Of the remaining stamps all but 23 had already been consigned to auction or sent as approvals to dealers.

At the trial held in Toronto on June 12, 1979 it was pointed out that Mr. Conyers had made full restitution to those dealers known to have purchased his stamps and had co-operated with the investigating officers. He had no previous criminal record.

The judge registered a conviction but gave absolute discharge based on restitution and co-operation. The court requested seizure of the stamps and equipment. This was granted. The monetary loss to Mr. Conyers approaches \$20,000.00.

Claims for restitution must be sent to the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association, c/o Suite 703, 330 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2S9. The suspect items must be included.

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THE SALES CIRCUIT--

Many books of stamps were received during the summer but we can still use more.

We need Canada, anything except plate blocks (unless they are pre-1960), Newfoundland, Great Britain, British Colonies and Commonwealth, U.S.A., Australia, New Zealand and Pacific Islands, Scandinavia, Switzerland, Germany (pre-W.W.II), East and West, Berlin, Netherlands, France and general World Wide.

Chapters: Let me know the dates when you need circuits, for the whole season if possible, and be sure to update your mem-

bers' needs. Also, return your circuits as promptly as possible.

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THE CHAPTER COORDINATOR - -

Once again your Chapter Co-ordinators have both a request and a beef.

First the request. Slide programme No. 5, The Admiral Issues of Canada, by the late G. Drew-Smith is missing one slide. The text for this slide is "Similarly the 3¢ Carmine has two types of figure 3 as well as other variations. In one the centre leg of the 3 is short and in the other long." It would seem that both type I and II were shown side by side with appropriate identification.

Surely there is at least one member of the Royal who is a specialist in the Admirals and willing to have mint copies of both types photographed side by side with identification notation. The Society would be happy to pay for photography and slide preparation. Whoever you are, please get in touch with us at Box 187, Gravenhurst, Ont. P0C 1G0.

Next, the beef. Too many Chapters are holding slide programmes past the time for returning, or sending on to the next Chapter as the case may be. When this happens the slides arrive too late for the next Chapter to use. Please bear in mind that there is usually only one set of these programmes,

no duplicates. When you forget to mail the package within the two day time limit you very often disappoint another club. GET THE SLIDES IN THE MAIL PROMPTLY.

Greetings to a new Chapter. Chapter 165, the Fort McMurray Coin and Stamp Club. Welcome Friends.

We have three new slide programmes to advise. No. 91, The Japanese Overprints on the Stamps of the Dutch East Indies, by E. W. Matthews, Bracebridge, Ont. No. 92, The Canadian Low Value Definitives (Caricature) Issue of '73 to '76, by D. H. Schweizer of Mississauga, and No. 93, German South-West Africa - Part II The Ship Issue, Nov. 1900 to 9 July 1915, by Louis Abrams, received from The Audio Visual Committee of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa.

If anybody has slide programmes to donate to The Society, please let us know as soon as possible so we can prepare a further list to send to the Chapters.

T. E. Lyon for
Doris & Ted Lyon

JUDGING PROGRAMME COORDINATOR - -

Please add the following name to the list of accredited judges in the last issue (p. 249):

Local/Regional
Grierson, C. Ottawa, Ont.

Michael Millar

THE CONVENTION COORDINATOR - -

I am compiling a list of the dates and locations of the Annual Conventions of the R.P.S.C. and its pre-1959 society, the Canadian Philatelic Society.

Below is a chronological list of the locations known to date. If you have any information that would fill in the blanks, please contact me.

If you can supply souvenir envelopes,

cachets, labels, etc., for any of these conventions or associated exhibitions, for the R.P.S.C. display in the National Postal Museum, please contact me. Donation of the material would be much appreciated.

R. K. Malott, Major (Rtd)
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1923 - Yorktown, Sask. (Can. Phil. Society)
 1924 - Winnipeg
 1925 - Winnipeg
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 1933 - Toronto
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 1937 - Toronto
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 1939 - Toronto
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 1944 - Toronto
 1945 - Toronto
 1946 -
 1947 - Toronto
 1948 - Brantford
 1949 - Westmount (Montreal)
 1950 - Toronto
 1951 - Toronto

Date Location

1952 - London
 1953 - Toronto
 1954 - Kitchener
 1955 - Montreal
 1956 - Windsor
 1957 - Ottawa
 1958 - Victoria
 1959 - Sarnia
 1960 - Kitchener
 1961 - North Hatley, Quebec
 1962 - Windsor
 1963 - Niagara Falls
 1964 - Edmonton
 1965 - Halifax
 1966 - Hamilton
 1967 - Ottawa
 1968 - Alexandria Bay, New York, U.S.A.
 1969 - Toronto
 1970 - Winnipeg
 1971 - Montebello, Quebec
 1972 - Edmonton
 1973 - Toronto
 1974 - Winnipeg
 1975 - Quebec
 1976 - Philadelphia, USA, INTERPHIL
 1977 - Vancouver
 1978 - CAPEX Toronto
 1979 - GRANDPEX Cambridge, Ontario

FROM THE CHAPTERS --**CHAPTER 41 - R.A. Stamp Club, Ottawa**

ORAPEX '79, the 18th annual exhibition and bourse of the R.A. Stamp Club held on May 12-13, was, according to Andy Palochik, a great success.

Special displays were prepared by the British American Bank Note Co., Ottawa Historical Society and National Postal Museum. R.P.S.C. director Colin Bayley exhibited Bytown postal history in the

Court of Honour.

Among the several seminars presented was a judging seminar by R.P.S.C. President Dr. Fred Stulberg and Michael Millar who were also the judges of the exhibition.

Awards presented were:

Gold Medals

Dr. M. F. Roett - Barbados Geo. V
 (Best in Show)

- P. J. Hustwit - G.B. imperf. line engraved
 G. H. W. LeMesurier - Cape of Good Hope

Vermeil Medals

- G. F. Tully - US stampless covers (Ottawa Phil. Soc. Medal)
 R. K. Malott - Can. air letter forms (military), aerogrammes, Domestogrammes
 A. Greblis - Latvia (Willie Hirsh Trophy)

Silver Medals

- S. Thorning - Elora postal history
 A. J. Quattrocchi - Perth, Ont. postal history (Postal History Cup)
 I. Kimmerly - Nova Scotia postmarks
 A. Palochik - Eastern arctic mail to 1947 (P.H.S.C. Certificate of Merit)
 W. Cochrane - G.B. regional stamps
 E. Williams - Shackleton and Scott Antarctic expeditions (R.A. Cup)

Silver Bronze Medals

- D. Bedford - Scouting (Barnard Trophy - best topical)
 W. R. Kingsbury - B.W.I. Geo. VI

Bronze Medals

- R. Kitchener - Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry Counties postal history
 K. L. Tilbury - Hamilton, Ont. postal history
 R. Collier - artists and paintings in Can. philately
 T. Delane - Maximum cards - Taiwan
 J. Toussaint - Germany, Berlin, DDR
 E. Williams - Cook Is., 1892-1932
 A. G. Bruce - N.Z. Health stamps

Junior Awards

- Silver Bronze - Ann Topping (R.A. Cup and Best Junior)
 Bronze - L. C. Wright, G. Wright, L. Cochrane, M. Hillsdon, J. McCauley, R. Hillsdon.

CHAPTER 153 - Yellowhead Stamp and Coin Collectors Society, Hinton, Alberta, has been busy again this summer. For Canada Week (June 25 - July 1) they designed a special envelope (No. 10) for use in Hinton during the week. One hundred First Day sets of the 12 flag stamps were prepared using these covers. In addition to the covers, the society held a

philatelic essay contest for grade school students. The essays were judged by a committee of local Senior Citizens and prizes were to be awarded to the winners. All participants received a special commemorative cover and all essays were to be displayed at the schools and later at the museum.

During July and August, when the Tourist Information Center (now called Hintonburgh) is open, the society is running their local Tourist Mail Service again. Letters mailed at the Information Center receives a special stamp and cancellation and, at 3 p.m. each day, the mail is taken to the local post office of regular mailing.

The society uses a series of ten triangular labels, designed by local artist Pierre Stone and printed by the Gibraltar Printing Ltd., in red and green on coated paper. There are two sets of the ten labels on each sheet (8 1/2" x 11") which is perforated by a hand operated perforator.

Values run from 3/4 Notnikh to 1 Super Notnikh (the Notnikh, pl. -ks, is local "currency" at the Tourist Center). The labels are not sold at the Center but donations to the society's youth programme are accepted. Collectors may obtain a sheet of the labels for a donation of \$2.00.

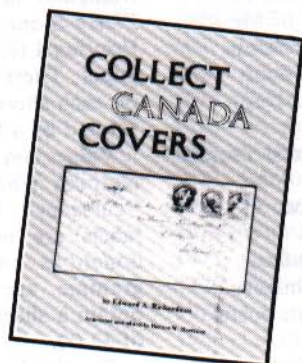
The third activity of the society is HINTONPEX '79, their 4th annual stamp and coin exhibition, August 18th-19th at the RCMP Centennial Museum. Hinto, Alberta. This will have a joint adult display of Trees on Stamps and a youth group display of Sports on Stamps.

The main theme of the exhibit is Renewable Resources which, in that area, are trees which are harvested by St. Regis (Alberta) Ltd., operators of Alberta's first pulp mill.

The exhibition souvenir card reflects the theme. It is 21.5 cm x 14.0 cm, printed in brown and black and features two Guatemalan stamps relating to reforestation. Two special cancels are used on the stamps. The cards sell for \$1.50 each.

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Literature Reviews

A HISTORY OF CANADIAN R.P.O.'s, 1853-1967, by L. F. Gillam, F.C.P.S. American Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 800, State College, PA 16801 U.S.A. 15.2 cm x 22.8 cm, 8 + 198 pages, illus., maps, index, soft bound (1967) 1979. US\$11.00 from the publisher.

This paperback is an unaltered reprint of the hard bound edition, published in England in 1967 and which has been out of print for years. The continuous demand for copies indicates that, although it appeared twelve years ago, the data, accumulated over fifteen years of collaboration with many collectors, the Canada Post Office and railroads, is still valuable to collectors of Canadian Railway Post Offices material.

Every Canadian railway upon which a Railway Post Office operated is discussed, and maps tracing each R.P.O. line, are included. Eighteen hundred different postmarks were used by the Canadian R.P.O.s from 1853 to 1967. The work describes and comments on each one, including any outstanding features or oddities.

One hundred illustrations and a complete index make the book easy to use. It is especially helpful to use this book in conjunction with T.P.G. Shaw's "The Handbook and Catalogue of Canadian Transportation Postmarks" since, as the author stated in his foreward, "I have used his serial numbers for reference purposes throughout the book, which may be regarded as a companion volume, and what I hope will be a guide through the maze of nearly 1,900 postmarks that have been recorded."

Equally useful to the users of Gillam's book is Lewis M. Ludlow's 1975 revision of The Catalogue Section of Shaw's Handbook.

This inexpensive reprinted edition of Gillam's book is most welcome at this time.

TABLE D OR POST OFFICE DIRECTORY FOR THE CANADAS Second Edition - corrected to June 1835. Facsimile reprint with introductory notes by Peter J. Wiedmann. Peter J. Wiedmann, P.O. Box 564, Cambridge, Ontario, N1R 5W1. 21.5 cm x 27.9 cm ii + 27 pages, offset, soft bound, 1978. \$4.50 ppd in Canada and U.S.A., \$5 ppd elsewhere from the publisher.

The two introductory pages of this book detail the historical merits of this reprint edition. A list of post offices was printed in 1828 to assist the proper despatch of mail to the smaller remote communities. That list could be considered to be the forerunner of the First Post Office Directory which was published in 1830. It was subsequently revised and the revised list printed in 1835. This reprint is a copy of the revised 1835 list.

Following the introductory note, there is a one page Explanation Table D, issued by T. A. Stayner, Deputy Postmaster General, British North America at Quebec on 1 November 1830. It provides instructions to postmasters on how to direct mail to the addressee. "This Regulation applies exclusively to Letters addressed to Townships, Seigniories or other Settlements not actually provided with Post-Offices; . . .

"When Letters are addressed to places not in the near neighbourhood of an Office, Post-Masters should recommend to the person bringing such letters to be mailed, *to pay the postage thereon*, as when this is done, the Receiving Post-Master can frequently send them to their ultimate destination by private hand, which otherwise he cannot do. Post-Masters however are not to insist upon this rule; they can only *recommend* it to Individuals as a measure calculated to render the delivery of their Letters more certain".

The Directory is in two parts: Lower Canada and Upper Canada, and is comprised of four column lists. The lists give the place name (alphabetically arranged),

an indication of its status, i.e., post office, seigniory, settlement, township or village; the district or county it is in, and, in the last column, the post office to which the letter should be sent.

This is an interesting document, reproduced as well as can be expected from the original (touched up in places), which will be useful to the Canadian postal historian and social historian.

AMERICAN AIR MAIL CATALOGUE:
A Reference Listing of the Airposts of the World. Vol. III, 5th ed. American Air Mail Society, 102 Arbor Road, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077, U.S.A. 14.4 cm x 22.2 cm, 10 + 508 pages, illus., maps, index. 1978. US\$ 12.50 + US\$ 1.00 outside U.S.A. for postage and packing, from Dr. James J. Matejka, Jr., Merchandise and Sales Manager, 614 N. Elmwood Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302. U.S.A.

Volume III of the proposed five volume 5th edition of the American Air Mail Catalogue follows the already available first two volumes. It is a credit to the voluntary, time consuming efforts of the editorial staff of the American Air Mail Society.

This volume begins with the continuation from Vol. II of Control Air Mail routes (C.A.M.) starting with the post-war C.A.M. Route 73 and ending with C.A.M. Route 299. Each route description is accompanied by a revised and clear map of the route, illustrations of the cachets used, number of pieces carried on inaugural flights and prices for them. These listings take up more than a half of this volume. Two pages describe Experimental Autogiro Service Between Airport and Post Office and include the appropriate route maps, cachets and cover prices.

Airport dedications from 1918 through 1977 are listed in the centre 108 pages. Approximately 4,000 separate listings of dedications in North America and Hawaii have been reviewed, updated and repriced. Some cachets are illustrated.

The Lindberghiana section follows. It has been expanded from 29 to 65 pages of listings which bring this popular branch of

aerophilately through 1977, the 50th anniversary of Lindbergh's solo trans-atlantic flight. It includes covers carried by Lindbergh on that flight, covers carried on his subsequent good-will flights and on his aerial survey flights. Also included are Lindbergh Post Offices, Miscellaneous Lindbergh events and Lindbergh postage stamps and labels.

The volume concludes with a Chronological Index which includes listings in Vols. I, II and III of this 5th edition.

This is a well produced book, clearly printed on coated paper and sturdily bound in a conveniently sized volume. Pagination is continuous throughout the set so that this volume contains pages 1012 to 1519. It is certainly a 'must' for aerophilately collectors.

POSTAL HISTORY OF AMERICAN POWs: World War II, Korea, Vietnam, by Norman Gruenzner. American Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 800, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A. 17.8 cm x 25.3 cm, vi + 138 pages, illus., maps, charts, bibliography, hard bound, 1979. US\$12.50 from the publishers.

Mr. Gruenzner has written a book that can be of much interest to more than just postal historians. It should be of interest to the ex-POW, to the veteran of one of the three wars covered, or to someone who is interested in military history. It focuses on the POW camps, mail routes and regulations and the mail sent and received rather than on the technical aspects of each postal marking.

The book contains what is believed to be the only compilation to list, and in many cases describe, every POW camp in which Americans were confined during the three most recent wars in U.S.A. history. The work is thoroughly researched, with more than 100 illustrations and four large maps which help the reader locate any prison camp.

The author begins by examining the history of POWs and their treatment by the captors from medieval times through World War II. He also reviews the Geneva

Convention of 1929 and its effect on prisoners of war. In the second chapter, Gruenzner examines the problems and duties of the International Red Cross, especially relative to the Japanese in World War II who were not signatory to the Geneva Convention. This chapter also relates the Japanese attitude toward prisoners of war, as well as their treatment of them.

Chapter Three deals with mail regulations in Germany during World War II. The remaining ten chapters describe treatment of prisoners, mail regulations, and the locations of various prison camps of the enemy during the three wars.

The book is personal also in that it conveys the prisoners' frustration in being allowed to write a set number of letters in a given time period, or of being limited to the number of words the letter could have, or having their letters censored or their correspondents' letters being returned to the United States undelivered.

The production of the book is, for the most part well done with few errors. On page 7, the first exchange of civilian personnel, mail and parcels between the United States and Japan is said to have occurred at Lourence, Marquez, Mozambique. That should be Lourenço Marques, Mozambique. Then on page 19, the railway station depicted is identified as Douane, Switzerland, however, I believe that the sign merely indicates the Swiss (Suisse) Customs (Douane) area of that railway station, wherever it was.

These are but minor faults in an otherwise, good, interesting and useful book.

SCOTT STANDARD POSTAGE STAMP CATALOGUE 1980, 136th edition, Vol. 1. United States and Affiliated Territories, United Nations, British Commonwealth of Nations. Scott Publishing Co., 3 East 57th Street, New York, NY 10022, U.S.A. 19.2 cm x 23.4 cm xiv + 717 + 6 + 16 pages, illus., index and yellow pages. 1979. US\$16.00 or equivalent from many dealers. Includes Scott Stamp Market Update, Suppl. No. 1. U.S. Statistical Supplement, 16 pages, 22.1 cm x 28.1 cm.

Volume I is now at most dealers and by the time this review is published, Volume II (A-F countries) should also be available.

As one expects with each edition, there are price changes. This year there are more than ever — 63,478, of which 4,112 are in the U.S. listings.

There are 32 more pages than last year to accommodate the addition of 2,038 new issues. The printing is good, illustrations for the most part, are clear on slightly whiter, more opaque paper than the 1979 edition. Included with this volume is a 16 page U.S. Statistical Supplement which lists 3,000 U.S. stamps. It gives the 11 year percentage of increase between the 1969 and 1980 catalogue prices, the annual compound increase by per cent, and the one year percentage of change between the 1979 and 1980 catalogue prices.

BNA has 2,471 price changes of which 1,696, ranging from 15 to 50%, are for Canada to 1950. The 12d. Black is now \$40,000 unused, \$25,000 used, up from \$32,500 and \$20,000 respectively. Other examples of increases are: No. 32, 1868 2¢ Large Queen on laid paper - \$45,000(\$40,000); No. 158 Bluenose \$300/\$45 (\$225/\$35) and No. 209 Loyalists - \$25(\$15).

Newly priced varieties are No. 339a, 1954 3¢ QEII pair imperf. vertically - \$1,500; No. 408a 1963 4¢ QEII vertical coil pair, imperf. between - \$3,000.

In the rest of BNA, the increases range from 15 to 25%. Every Newfoundland issue is raised with the changes ranging from 10 to 50%, e.g., The Cabot issue to \$155/\$104 (\$122/\$90), the De Pinedo - \$25,000/\$7,500 (\$15,000/\$5,500).

In addition to the price changes, the Canadian 1977 definitive series and the 1978 special issues have been renumbered to accommodate recently issued new values and new colours.

In the New Zealand section, the listings of the 1855-72 Chalon portrait stamps have been revised with the aid of Robert P. Odenweller. That country's listings have some 1,979 price changes.

Australia shows some 893 price changes and almost all other countries show similar changes.

COLLECT BRITISH STAMPS, 24th ed., Summer, 1979. Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London, WC2R 0LX, England. 16.3 cm x 19.5 cm, 60 pages, illus., col., offset, saddle stitched, soft cover. 1979. \$3.25 from many dealers.

This popular checklist needs no introduction. GB collectors are fully conversant with its features. This edition is complete up to and including the Spring Wild Flowers issue of 21 March, 1979.

Pricing has been revised to reflect the market with some sharp rises indicated, particularly in the earlier issues.

The high quality of the printing, fidelity of the colour of the previous editions is maintained.

This is a useful interim guide to British stamps issued since 1840 and their values.

STANLEY GIBBONS GREAT BRITAIN SPECIALISED STAMP CATALOGUE, Volume 4, QUEEN ELIZABETH II, Decimal Issues, 2nd ed. Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London, WC2R 0LX, England. 14.3 cm x 22.0 cm., xvi + 348 pages, illus., hard bound. 1979. \$16.95 from many dealers or Canadian distributor: Philatelic Supply Co., Dept. 11, Cartwright Ave., Dept. 11, Toronto, Ont. M6A 1V4.

In this edition the Machin lists have been rearranged with the high value recess-printed 10p to £1 stamps placed first, followed by 1/2p to £5 photogravure issues.

The introduction of folded booklets has made se-tenant or multi-value booklet panes the general rule rather than the exception and this led to the listing of booklet panes in chronological order in a separate section. This section has a new index which provides easy reference to the location of the listed stamps. Complete booklets are listed and priced in a separate appendix. The listing of multi-value coil strips follows the booklet panes lists.

The rearrangement of these sections has necessitated the renumbering of all of the stamps in the sections. The changes are listed in the introductory section giving the

new and the old numbers for comparison. Special issues, including Britain's first miniature sheet with illustration and notes on how to 'plate' the sheet, Regional issues and Postage Dues are treated as in the 1st edition.

Many new varieties and flaws have been added throughout to the listings and much new information appears in the perforators appendix, particularly photographs of untrimmed booklet sheets and details of the marker pins on the perforating drums of the Jumelle press, used for sheets, booklets and special issues.

Prices have been revised and 'unused' prices now apply to mint, never hinged copies.

This is an essential work for Great Britain decimal issue collectors.

STANLEY GIBBONS CHANNEL ISLANDS SPECIALISED CATALOGUE OF STAMPS AND POSTAL HISTORY. First Edition. Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London, WC2R 0LX, England. 14.5 cm x 22.1 cm, xiv + 348 pages, illus., hard bound. 1979. \$16.95 from many dealers or Canadian distributor, Philatelic Supply Co., Dept. 11, 127 Cartwright Ave., Toronto, Ont. M6A 1V4.

This new Gibbons work will become an indispensable reference for the serious Channel Islands collector. Its arrival on the philatelic scene does not, however, mean the demise of Gibbons popular full colour 'Collect Channel Islands Stamps' which is aimed at the more general collector. That checklist will be continuing.

What we have in this new catalogue is the first Gibbons Specialised to treat postal history in depth and the first to establish prices for such material as the endorsed entries of the Letter Forwarding Agents.

It replaces "Priced Catalogue of Channel Islands Postal Markings" and the "Priced Catalogue of Channel Islands Stamps" compiled by O. W. Newport and published by the Channel Islands Specialists' Society. Those catalogues have now been withdrawn.

Full cooperation of the Society and individual members has been extended in preparing this edition, notably in sections on Jersey and Guernsey sub-offices, Air-mails and Hovercraft mail, the Red Cross Message Service, Internee Mail Service and Prisoner of War Mail.

The catalogue is in two parts, Part 1: Postal History, contains 23 sections which include the range of postmarks for Jersey, Guernsey and the smaller islands, i.e., Pre-adhesives, Ship Letters, Handstruck Numerals, Maltese Cross and Numeral Obliterations, Date Stamps, Military and Paquebot marks, Slogans and First Day cancellations, all of which are illustrated and priced. Part 2: Specialised Stamp Catalogue, is based on the established Gibbons catalogue but is extended by the inclusion of booklet panes, postal stationery and reply coupons, with cylinder blocks also priced. Also included are the stamps issued by the bus, railway and shipping companies.

The wealth of postal history and stamp information make this well produced work indispensable to collectors.

THE ISLANDS POSTAL HISTORY SERIES, by James A. Mackay, 11 Newall Terrace, DUMFRIES, Scotland. DG1 1LN.

The author's description of this series is as follows: "This is a series of ten handbooks, giving an in-depth study of the postal history of the Scottish islands. Every known postal marking is listed and the great majority are illustrated, together with maps showing post offices, rural posts, postal termini and shipping routes".

These books are extremely well written and will have to be considered as indispensable items to anyone who is interested not only in the postal history of the Hebrides, but also to anyone who is interested in the social history as well. For not only does the author deal extensively with the postal services of these areas he also goes into some detail concerning the social and commercial climate which prevailed in the Islands from time to time. How the growth of population caused demands for postal service, which in the

early days the Government was reluctant to provide because the projected revenue would be far outstripped by the costs of performing the necessary service. Mr. Mackay details how many of the early landlords subsidised the necessary mail packet boats out of their own pockets to ensure that some mail service was provided. Later the Government came to realise that they had a social obligation to provide postal service to all people in the British Isles and that the services in high density areas would have to offset the costs of providing service, at a loss, to such places as the Western Islands.

These books are all uniform in size, 8 1/4" x 11 3/4", and have a map of the area on the front cover surrounded by postmark illustrations. The postmark illustrations are exact size and are very accurately reproduced. Many of these illustrations are taken right from the Post Office proof books.

I have only one very minor criticism to offer and it is that there is no chronological listing of the post offices with their opening and closing dates. I think such a listing would have been beneficial but the reader, if he so desired, could make up his own list as all the information is there.

The list of the books, with prices for them including postage, is as follows:- 1. Harris & St. Kilda - £2.00; 2. The Uists & Barra - £4.00; 3. Lewis - £4.00; 4. Skye & The Small Isles - £4.00; 5. Arran & Cumbræ - £2.00; 6. Bute - £2.00; 7. Orkney & Storma - £4.00; 8. Shetland - £4.00; 9. Mull, Iona, Coll & Tiree - £2.00; 10. Islay, Jura & the other Argyll Isles - £2.00.

There is a special price of £14.00 inclusive for the first five volumes and a special price of £24.00 inclusive for all ten. These prices to remain in effect until the end of 1979 and the books are available from the author at the address shown above.

M.M.

COLLECT BRITISH POSTMARKS, by Dr. J. T. Whitney, 75 Church Road, HADLEIGH, Benfleet, Essex, England. SS7 2DR. Price £4.00. plus Postage.

This handbook and catalogue can be summarised briefly as taking up where

Willcocks Postal History of Great Britain and Ireland leaves off. While Willcocks' book finishes with the postal markings in use immediately prior to the introduction of postage stamps in May 1840, Dr. Whitney, while he does list and price the early markings as well, brings the postmark and postal markings listings forward to the present day.

This book contains complete lists of the numeral obliterations and duplex's issued to the London, London Suburban and English and Welsh Post Offices, the Squared Circles, the Travelling Post Offices, Packet Services and Military, Naval and Air Force camp, barrack and campaign Post Offices. Special occasion, charge marks, machine and slogan cancellations are also listed and priced. There are also sections dealing with meter markings and the markings used in connection with the "Posted In Advance of Christmas" service offered by the Post Office in certain areas in the 1902-1909 period.

I have two criticisms of the book. First, in the Squared Circle section Dr. Whitney has devised his own classification instead of using Stitt-Dibden's whose "Handbook & Catalogue of the Squared Circle Postmarks" is the only definitive work on this subject. As a Squared Circle specialist I know that this is really going to cause a great deal of confusion. Secondly, the title of the book is something of a misnomer and really should be "Collect English Postmarks", because apart from some of the PTO's and Military Camps there are no listings for Scotland and Ireland at all.

However, taking the book as a whole, I think it is quite well done and Dr. Whitney is to be complimented for tackling the job and even for coming up with a scale of prices for the different types of markings. As he points out in his foreword, any attempt at pricing is going to have collectors after him for pricing too high and the dealers after him for pricing too low. His prices are for good, clear strikes on full cover or card and should be halved for fronts, quartered for pieces and divided by

five for stamps, to this basic price adds the full catalogue value of any stamps priced at more than 20p (75¢). Quite simple and at least it gives us a basis to work from, which we didn't have before.

This book should certainly be included in the reference library of anyone who collects English postmarks and postal history.

M.M.

THEMATIC STAMP COLLECTING by Col. L. G. Shenoi. Mysore Philatelics, 7A Temple Road, Mysore 570 012, India. 14.1 cm x 20.0 cm, 56 pages, illus., saddle stitched, soft covers. 1979. Rs 10.00, US\$3.00 or equivalent from the publisher.

This slim book is the third in a projected series by Mysore Philatelics, "a non-profit voluntary organisation dedicated to the promotion of philately, numismatics and other educational hobbies among youth and students." The series, which includes "An Introduction to India Used Abroad" and "Stamp Collecting Simplified", is designed to improve philately in India.

The author is the President of the Karnataka Philatelic Society, Bangalore, Secretary to the Philatelic Congress of India and Research Co-ordinator in India for the India Study Circle for Philately in the U.K. He has been publisher and managing editor of the monthly Indian philatelic journal IND DAK since its beginnings in January 1977.

The booklet begins with a brief introduction which mentions the reasons for thematic collections. Next, the author defines a thematic (topical) collection and discusses the F.I.P. sub-types, the thematic collection and the subject collection.

The rest of the book concentrates on the former and discusses in turn, the theme and its development, philatelic material, presentation and display, F.I.P. regulations and finally discusses the do's and don't's of displaying a thematic collection. The book concludes with two appendices. One gives a list of 30 themes, the other is an illustrative list of some early philatelic

material relating to the Olympic Games.

The text is clear, concise and well printed. It is illustrated with full page reproductions of selected pages from sixteen different thematic collections.

This is a useful book which presents, for North American collectors, information which is more readily available from other sources.

WOMEN ON STAMPS, Vol. 2. by Betty Killingbeck. Published by the American Topical Association, 3308-X North 50th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53216, U.S.A. Soft cover. Cost \$7.00.

This is the second of two volumes on this subject by this author. The first one dealt with "real life" women and included over 500 biographies. There were special sections for Queen Elizabeth II and for Mary, Mother of Jesus.

The second (and latest) work is much more comprehensive and contains checklists by country, year of issue, types and identification of each woman. Also included is a checklist of the Silver Jubilee issues of Queen Elizabeth II as well as one for Mary, Mother of Jesus. Scott numbers are used throughout.

A second section gives brief biographies as well as supplemental data for the listings in Volume no. 1 and ties the two together with a cross-index.

Volume One can be purchased separately for \$4.00 or the two can be obtained for \$9.95.

F.G.S.

BRIEFLY NOTED

YAMSHCIK: THE POST RIDER. No. 4, April 1979. The Canadian Society of Russian Philately, P.O. Box 5722, Station A, Toronto, Ontario, M5W 1P2. 86 pages, illus., offset, soft bound, 1979. Available from the publisher \$4.00/copy.

Each issue of this journal has shown improvements over the preceding ones and this issue is no exception. The printing is very clear and most of the illustrations are good. The few that are dull or obscure probably reflect the poor quality of the originals.

The present issue has a wide range of articles from a discussion of the stamps and airplanes of the Normandie-Nieman Squadron (Free French squadron fighting in the U.S.S.R.) in 'Normandie-Nieman' by P. J. Campbell (9 pages), through 2 pages of 'Is the Paper Wove? Or is it Laid and Watermarked? A Significant Find' by Alex Artuchov, 'Russia's Railways' by Rev. L.L. Tann (7 pages with covers illustrated), 'Pribaikal Overprints - Fact or Fiction' by George V. Shalimoff (5 1/2 pages, figures in this article are next to useless for illustrating the points raised), 'A Few Siberian Expeditionary Covers from Canadians' by A. L. Steinhart, 'Postage Stamps Issued by the Zemstovs' (13 1/2 pages) by Alex Artuchov and G. G. Webizky, plus other, to 'Philatelic Shorts' from readers.

This is an excellent journal for collectors of Russian philately.

PHILATELIC LITERATURE REVIEW, vol. 28, No. 2, Second Quarter 1979. American Philatelic Research Library, P.O. Box 338, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A. 75¢/copy, US\$4.00/year.

This issue continues Robert G. Stone's "A Bibliography of Philatelic Literature on the French Colonies . . .". It also includes an "Index to Philatelic Bibliographic References: Germany" by Charles J. Peterson, "Hungarian Philatelic Publications in the MABEOSZ Library" and the first part of "The Postal History and Postmarks of Northern Rhodesia and Zambia" by Arthur Pratt with additions by G. R. Morris. Regular features complete the issue.

ROMANIAN PHILATELIC STUDIES, Vol. 3, No. 3, 1979. Romanian Philatelic Club, c/o Miron Abramovici, 209 Berger St., Somerset, NJ 08873, U.S.A. 20 pages, offset on coated paper, paper covers. Quarterly \$7.00/yr. from the above address.

Now in its third year, this publication has improved in quality with each issue. The first numbers were Zeroxed 12 pages.

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Cedarvale Park Building, Cedarvale Ave., First East of Woodbine, at Cosburn, North of Arena. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays. Sec'y: Raymond Reakes, 188 Woodmount Ave., Toronto 13. Phone: 425-1545. Visitors Always Welcome.

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Touring stampers welcome. Meetings on alternate Mondays in the cafeteria of St. Joseph Composite School. Pres. - Keith R. Spencer, ph. 434-0270; Membership - Terry Krawec, ph. 469-8789. Address all mail c/o the Club, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

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(Chapter 98) Meets first and third Wednesdays, September through May, third Wednesdays June through August, at 8 p.m., in the Guelph Public Library, Norfolk at Paisley Sts., Guelph, Ont. Secretary: Z. Kozlovic, 209 Gordon St., Guelph, Ontario N1G 1X2. Visitors most welcome.

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Chapter Fifty-one. 2nd and 4th Mondays Sept. to May inc. Lower auditorium of the Canadian Martyrs Church at the corner of Main Street West and Emerson Avenue in Hamilton (across from McMaster University campus). Secretary - Mr. Andrew Chung, McMaster University. P.O. Box 299, Hamilton, Ontario L8S 1C0.

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RPSC Chapter 49 meets the second & fourth Monday, Sept. to May, at 7:30 p.m., at the Hall of St. George Cathedral, Johnson and Wellington Sts, Kingston, Ont. Correspondence to: Secretary Roger Lapoint, Kingston Stamp Club, Box 361, Station 'A', Kingston, Ont. K7M 6R7.

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(Chapter 13 of the R.P.S.C.). Meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month (except during June, July and August) in the Elizabeth Room of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church (Queen Street Entrance). Visitors Welcome. Pres. Gordon Warnock, 192 Blucher St., Kitchener, Ont.

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R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 33. Meets second Wednesday and last Friday monthly from September to June in the Faculty of Education Building. Visitors always welcome. J. van Greem, Secretary-Treasurer, 230 Peter Street, Thunder Bay "P", Ontario P7A 5H9.

LAKESHORE STAMP CLUB

501 St. John's Blvd., Pointe Claire, Quebec. Meeting nights 2nd and 4th Thursdays September till June at 7:20 p.m. President - Geoff Newman; Secretary - Margaret Dunnett. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1, Pointe Claire-Dorval, P.Q., H9R 4N5. Visitors Welcome.

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