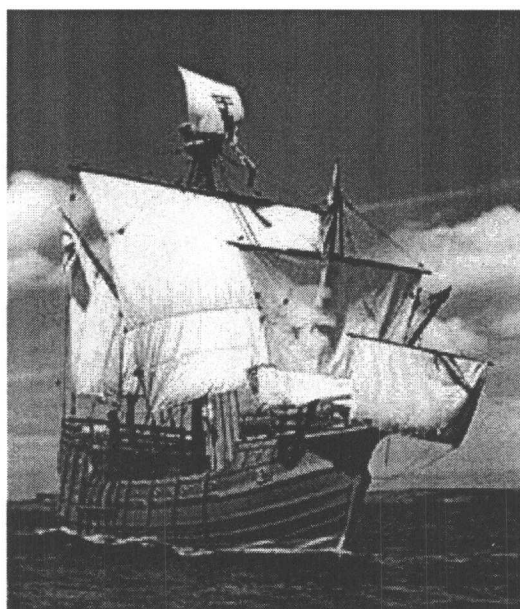


# Cachets

Newsletter of BNAPS  
First Day Cover Study Group

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## Special New-Foundland Issue



This is the premiere issue of the Newsletter of BNAPS First Day Cover Study Group. I have been interested in Canadian and New-Foundland First Day Covers for well over 20 years and I have found the identification and labelling of individual cachets extremely challenging. While our neighbours from the South have a large follow-up and a number of well established publications and catalogues dedicated to FDCs, very little seems to occur in Canada. I am currently busy scanning all my covers and making my own catalogue of private cachets FDCs. I will supply members with pages (hopefully in color) as I progress along. I hope this group will enable British North American Philately to make significant progress in labelling and promoting Canada and British North America First Day Covers.

I have concentrated this issue on all my New-Foundland First day Covers and on all cachets I could find of Canada #282, the 1949 New-Foundland Issue. I have also added two "Last Day Cover" cachets issued on New-Foundland on its last day as an independent Colony. One bit of trivia I became aware of while doing my research is that New-Foundland did not join Canada on April 1st 1949, but rather at 11:59PM on March 31st 1949, Smallwood, the premier not having liked the idea of new-Foundland joining Canada on April fool's day.

In case you had not suspected, the photograph on the cover page is that of the replica of The Matthew,

Cabot's ship, built for the 400th anniversary of his landfall.

Our Study Group is accepting new members. A one year membership for those receiving only the electronic version of the newsletter is a mere \$5 (Canadian or US) a year. If you want to receive it by standard mail, it is \$10 a year. I issued the first issue in color to already subscribed members, but the costs of ink for the printer and how fast it ran out, made me decide to continue to issue it in black and white. Any member receiving the hard-copy of the newsletter (by regular mail) will receive the electric version in color at no extra cost by providing the email address where to send it to. Upon request I could provide, at cost, a printed color edition for those asking for it.

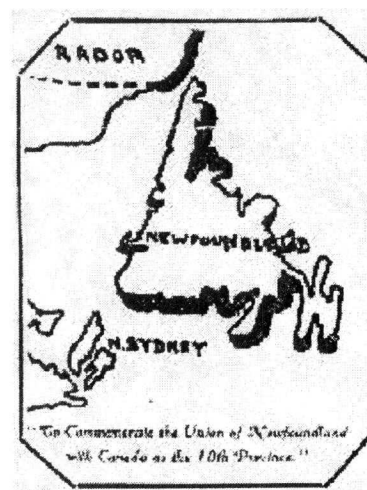
You can reach me on the Internet at [pierre@sprint.ca](mailto:pierre@sprint.ca) or by mail at Pierre Ethier P.O. BOX 71525, Aurora, Ontario L4G 6S9, Canada.

I am always eager to receive information on BNA FDCs and if you have a cachet for the featured issues that I dont have, please send a photocopy. I will even refund **COLOR** photocopy costs if two covers or more are on a sheet and you are claiming less than \$1 per sheet. I can provide also free electronic scanning services on philatelic items for our members, your only expense being the return postage.

Here are the cachets of Canada #282 I have accumulated over the years. This is the earliest time I have seen the "Firt Day of Issue" cancel on a Canadian issue. I have seen it only with the St-John, NF. cancel. One could therefore state that St-John, NF is the official city of issue.



If you can identify any of the cachet makers where I have written Unknown Cachet Maker: please write to me. I am currently preparing a catalogue of private Canadian cachet makers.



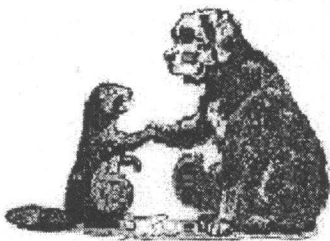
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Industry and Courage  
for a Better Canada  
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Greater Newfoundland



Commemorative Cover

Unknown Cachet Maker

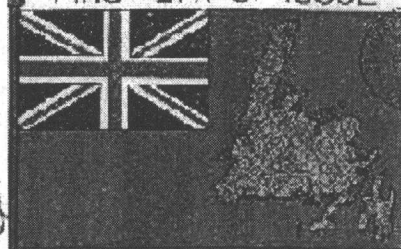
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TO COMMEMORATE THE  
ENTRY OF NEWFOUNDLAND  
INTO CONFEDERATION  
WITH CANADA

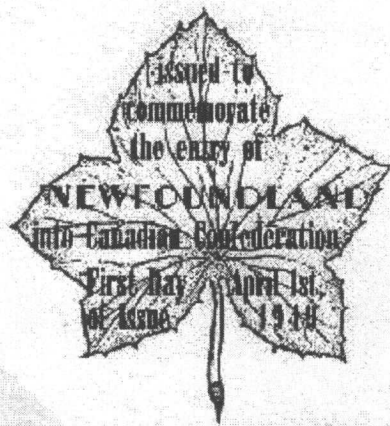
Unknown Cachet Maker

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

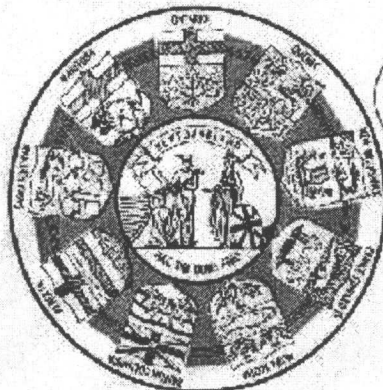


COMMEMORATING THE ENTRY  
OF NEWFOUNDLAND INTO THE  
DOMINION OF CANADA

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Fulton Cachet ?



CANADIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY  
OFFICIAL FIRST DAY COVER

Sanders Cachet



Canadian Philatelic Society



Cachet

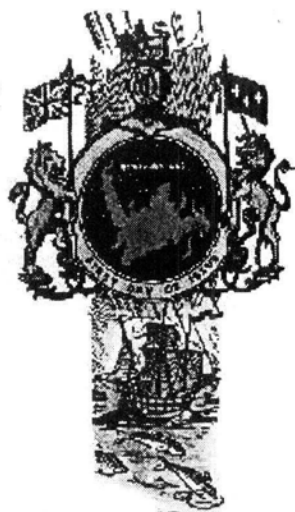


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JCR Cachet

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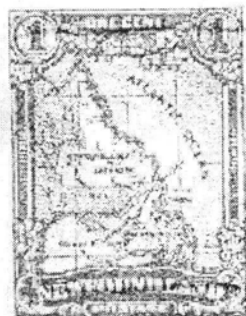


Jacobi cachet



Jacobi cachet

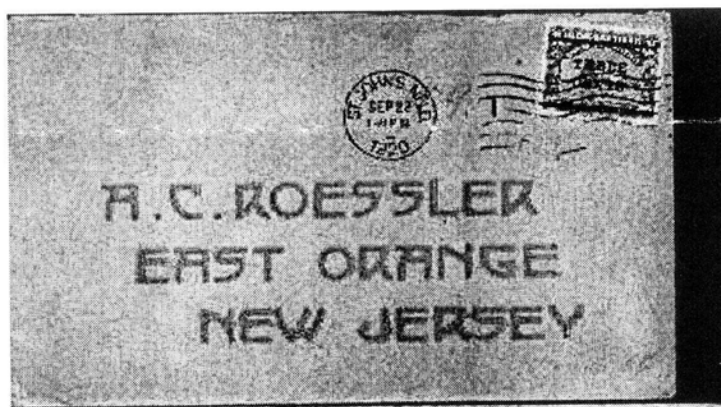
## "Last Day Covers of New-Foundland"



NINETY-TWO YEARS  
OF PHILATELIC PROGRESS  
1857-1949  
LAST DAY COVER  
MARCH 31, 1949



Both Unknown Cachet Makers

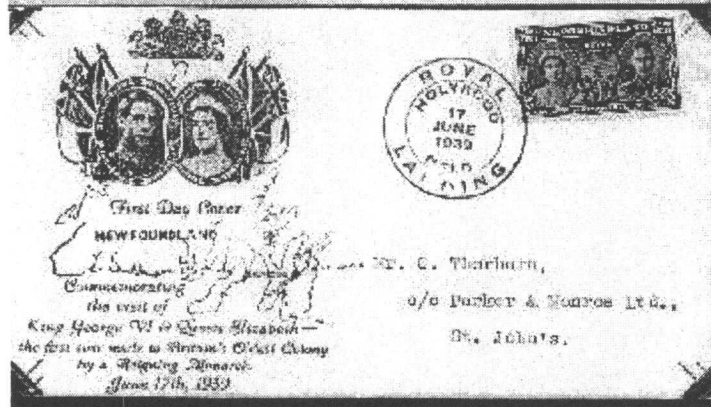
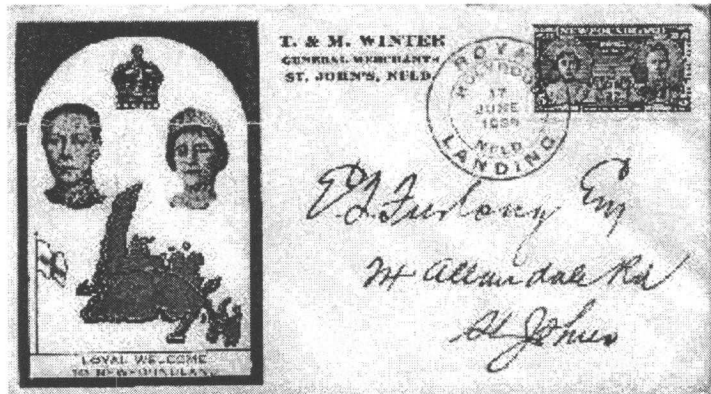




Earliest "Roessler" Cover I have ever heard of: 1920

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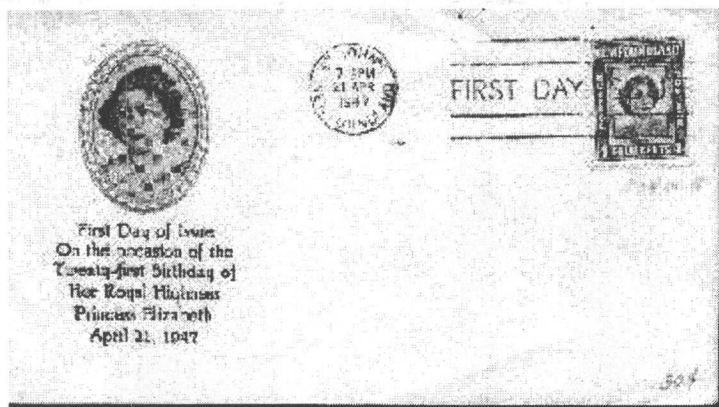
Cachet Maker



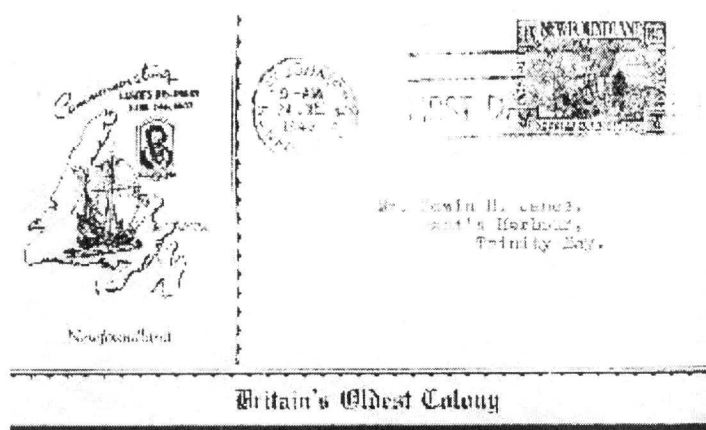
NF 249 Winter Cachet

NF 249

Unknown Cachet Maker



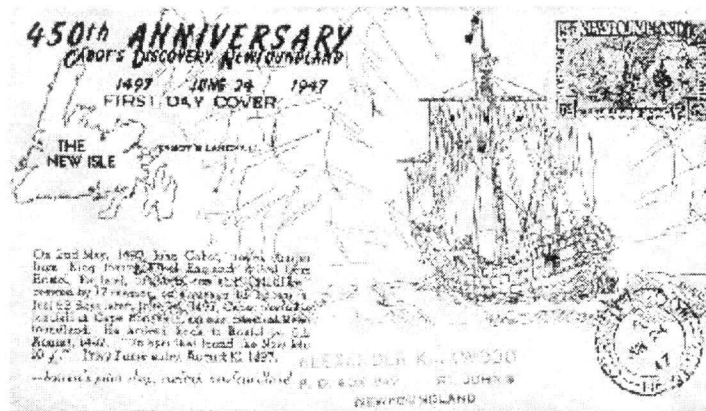




NF 269 Unknown Cachet Maker

NF 270 Unknown

Cachet Maker



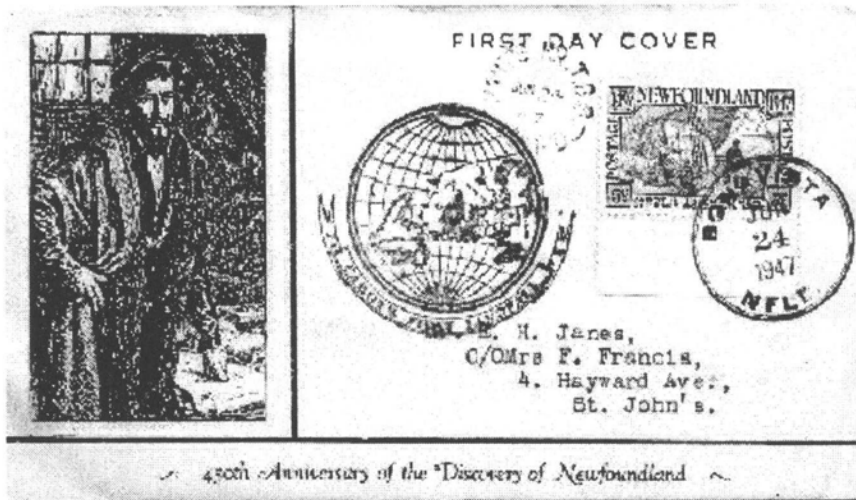
NF 270 Kirkwood Cachet?

NF 270 Unknown

Cachet Maker



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A special hand-cancel was issued at Bonavista, reputed Cabot first Landfall. Here is the cancel in greater details:





Grenfell Mission Cachet of # 252

Well, that is it on my first issue. I will be grateful for any comments or contributions. Next Month I will run a feature on Canada "Numismatic" FDCs, that is FDCs with medals, coins, tokens or other numismatic pieces that form the cachet. Gold replica stamps FDCs are popular in the US and it is only recently that I got a hold of Canadian gold replica stamps FDCs for the first time.

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