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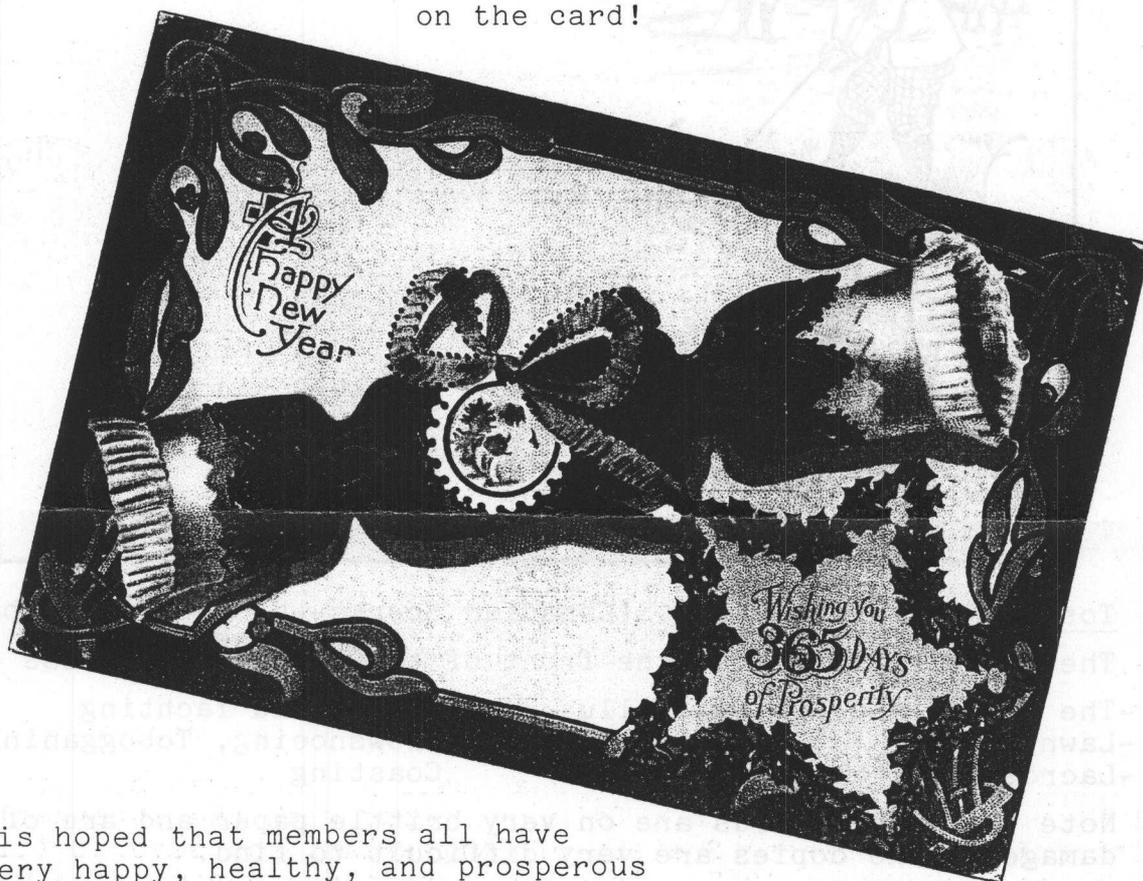
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A NEW YEAR'S CRACKER!

This multi-coloured party favour (New Year Cards, Series No.26 on reverse) was used in 1911. The embossed printing technique is attractive and enhances the reds, blues, greens, golds, silvers, and whites--in fact there are not many colours not represented on the card!



It is hoped that members all have a very happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!

CANADIAN PIONEER CARDS--BY W. GUTZMAN

"One of the areas that the Study Group can accumulate information is that of the postcard issued before, or just after, the Anglo-Boer War. These are, of course, the ones known as 'Pioneer Cards'.

The 'sports cards' of that period have interested me, so I have made a listing of the cards I have:

J.C. Wilson & Co., 1898 (140mm x 89mm)

These cards show two sport scenes at the left of the address side of the card. At the right, the words 'PRIVATE/POSTCARD' and 'STAMP/HERE' (in blue) are present. The illustrations are in brown, blue, and green. I suspect that there are twenty cards in the set, as I have the following:

No. 5	Socials/Theatricals	No. 13	The Saddle/Wheeling
No. 7	Basketball/Chess	No. 15	Canoeing/Yachting
No. 9	Hand Ball/Fencing	No. 16	The Rod/Camping
No. 10	Golf/The Gun (illus.)	No. 17	Lawn Tennis/Croquet
No. 12	Baseball/Cricket	No. 18	Trotting/The Hounds



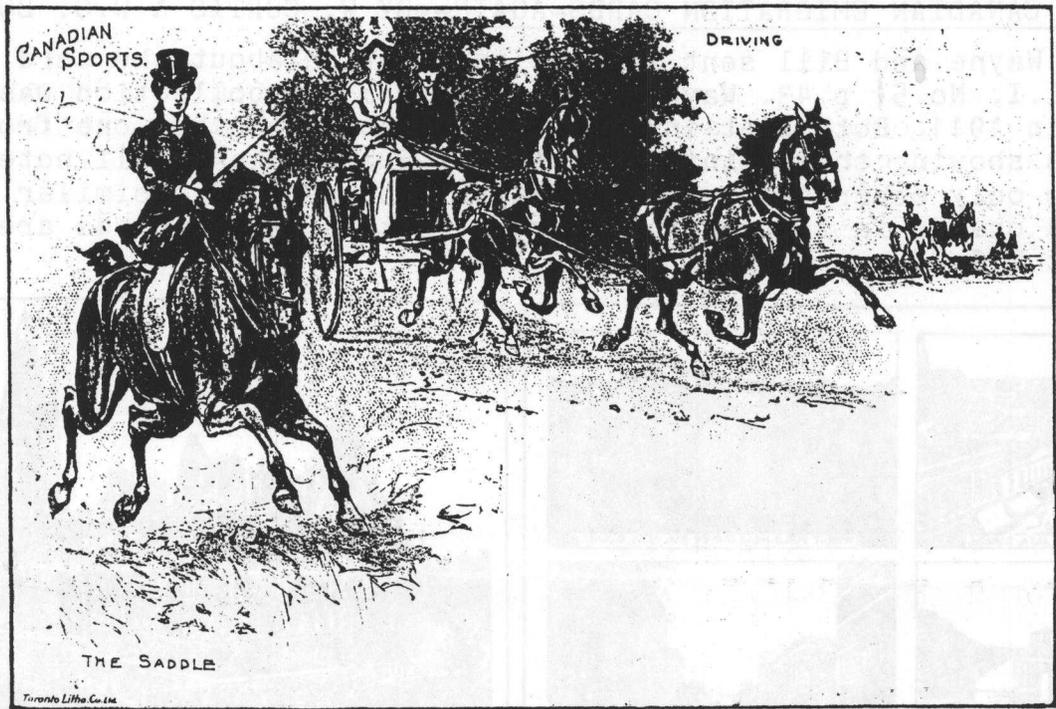
Toronto Litho. Co., Ltd. (Canadian Sports--UPU undivided back)

The illustration is on the front of the card (non-address side):

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| -The Saddle and Driving (illus.) | -Rowing and Yachting |
| -Lawn Tennis | -Snowshoeing, Tobogganing, and |
| -Lacrosse | Coasting |

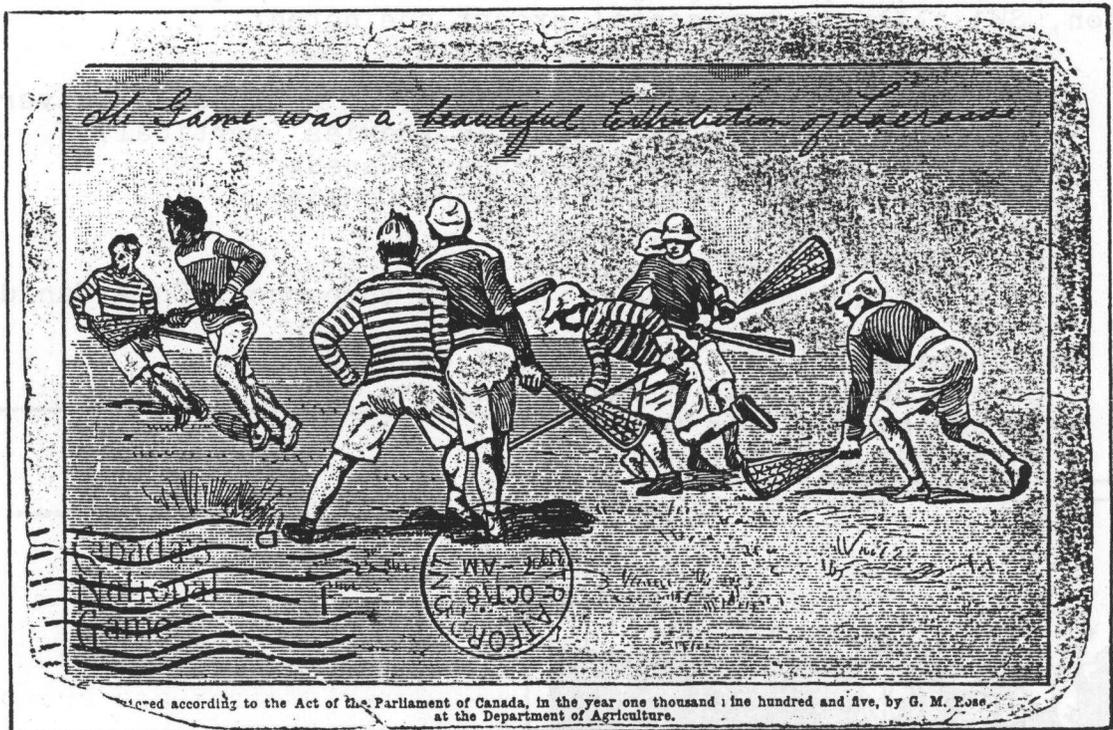
Note that these cards are on very brittle paper and are often damaged. Fine copies are very difficult to find.

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G.M. Rose (1905)

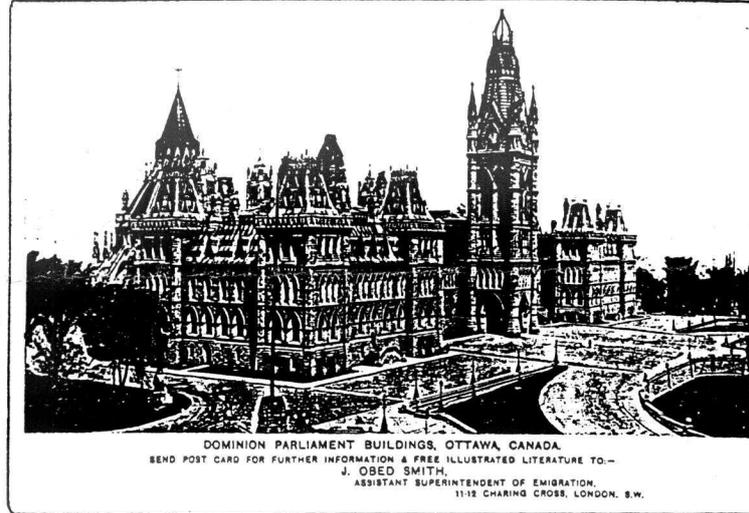
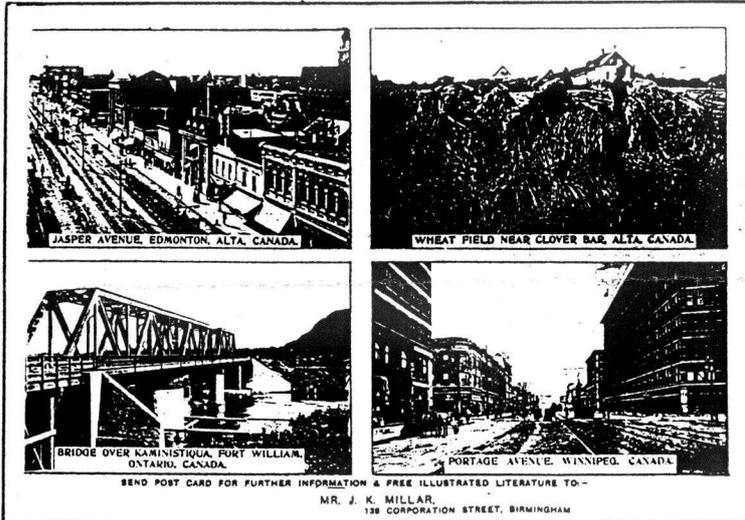
On the following card is noted 'Canada's National Game' (142mm x 95mm) and colours include red, brown, and green.



If someone can fill in the gaps in my sets I would very much like to record the information".

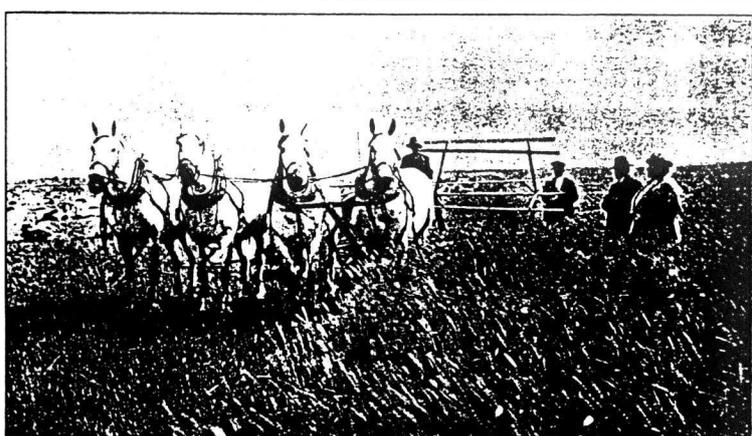
THOSE CANADIAN EMIGRATION CARDS--AGAIN--BY W. CURTIS & W.O. BUCHANAN

[Both Wayne and Bill sent in some information about the card illustrated in Vol. I, No. 5, p. 43. Wayne noted one from his collection was used in G.B. in 1911. Both sent in cards illustrating another one from the same series showing the Dominion Parliament Building and Bill noted that this is the only other one recorded. Wayne also sent in a similar card but with a change in the contact address. Both of these cards are illustrated at 73%.



Each also supplied information related to another Canadian Emigration series published by the Canadian Department of Emigration, 1 Regent St., London, SW1. All are horizontal except one noted:

- A Butter Factory in Canada
- A Glimpse of Some of The Buildings of a Canadian University
- A Glimpse of The Great Canadian Rockies (vertical)
- A Prosperous Farm Home in Western Canada
- An Agricultural School in Western Canada
- An Apple Orchard in Canada
- Beef Cattle in Canada
- Harvesting A Rich Crop of Alfalfa (Lucerne), On A Canadian Stock Farm
- Ploughing The Fertile Lands of Western Canada
- School Building In A Small Canadian Town
- Threshing Grain In Canada
- Wheat Harvest In Canada



WHEAT HARVEST IN CANADA.
Canada is the second greatest wheat producer among the nations of the world.

POST CARD.

CORRESPONDENCE. ADDRESS.

POSTAGE.

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1, REGENT STREET, LONDON, S.W. 1.

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**FARMS IN
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CANADA
FREE**

**GOOD SCHOOLS.
SPLENDID CLIMATE.
RICH SOIL.
SPLENDID PASTURAGE
LAND FOR CATTLE.
EXCELLENT DAIRYING.**

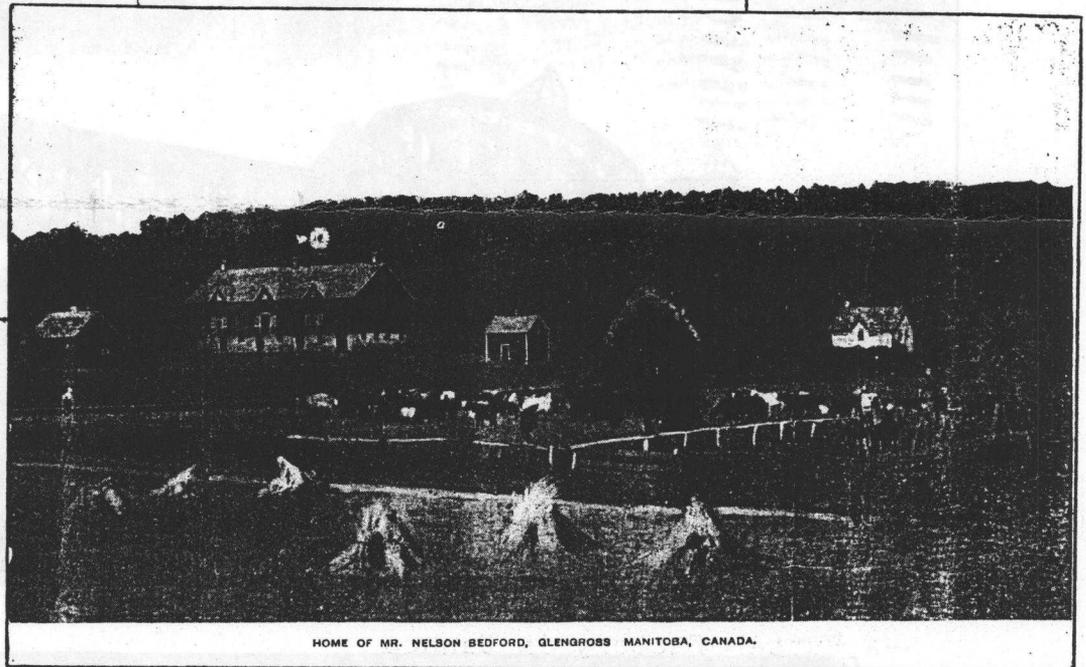
Particulars may be obtained from any
CANADIAN GOVERNMENT AGENT
OR FROM
MR. W. D. SCOTT, Superintendent of Immigration, OTTAWA.
MR. W. T. R. PRESTON, Commissioner of Emigration,
11-12 Charing Cross, LONDON, W. C. ENGLAND.

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POSTAGE:
CANADA, U.S., MEXICO,
— ONE CENT.—
UNITED KINGDOM
AND ALL PLACES TO
WHICH THE IMPERIAL
PENNY POSTAGE APPLIES,
FRANCE, SWITZERLAND,
ITALY, TURKIE,
— TWO CENTS.—
FOR ALL OTHER
COUNTRIES IN THE
POSTAL UNION,
FIVE CENTS.

CANADIAN POSTAL CARD

This space may be used for communication.

THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN HERE
CÔTÉ RÉSERVÉ À L'ADRESSE.



HOME OF MR. NELSON BEDFORD, GLENGROSS MANITOBA, CANADA.

Bill also sent along a listing of approximately thirty of the above series of "Canadian Government Agent" promotional emigration cards and this is a typical example.]

UPDATES ON:

The two real photo cards noted in the previous issue of Vol. I, No. 1 pp. 3-4. The Yale Hotel card is from Calgary. William G.B. Kilroe was a Calgary photographer from 1908-10, and then again in 1917. He then moved to Regina (1921-24). The street photo card depicts Colborne St. in Norwood, Ontario. The Asphodel-Norwood Public Library's Laura Elves kindly sent some photocopies of period streets and this card matched one of them! Thanks very much to Don Stewart and W.O. Buchanan for assistance. Jack McCuaig of Edmonton also participated in the identification and his help is also appreciated.

Peter McCarthy recently wrote in about his, and Bill Buchanan's, Richmond, QC train disaster cards (Vol. I, No. 3, p. 21; No. 4, p. 33): "Your [the Editors'] thoughts don't apply here. The rails were the only things in Lower Richmond not to be affected by flooding. The St. Francis River at that time of year was always at its near low level. Hitting something at the crossing, either a broken rail or a "hot" box, are the most likely probabilities." [Any further clues as to the cause? Ed.]

THE CPR BRIDGE, MONTREAL: OR IS IT?--BY P. McCARTHY

Illustrated are five views of the same bridge. This is the Canadian Pacific Railway bridge that crosses the St. Lawrence River west of Montreal, and connects with that railroad's southern and eastern lines. FIG.1 is the original bridge while the other views depict the modified bridge that now has one centre span instead of two.

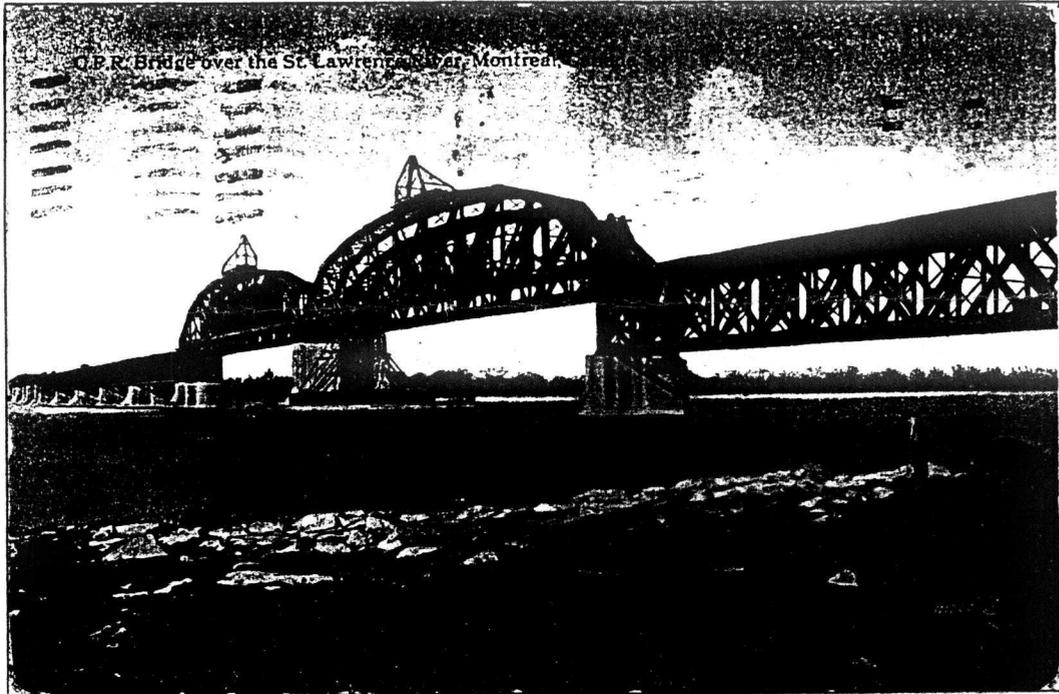


FIG. 1



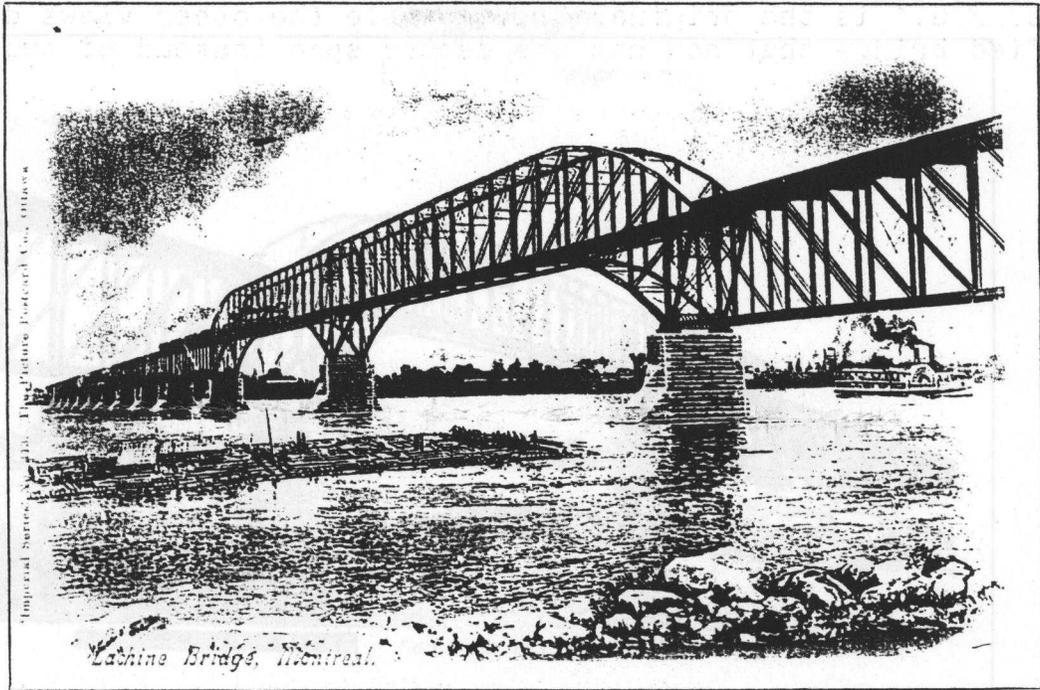
FIG. 2

Both FIGS.1-2 are Valentine and Sons cards, with one reading "C.P.R. Bridge over the St. Lawrence River, Montreal, Canada", while the other

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spells out "Canadian Pacific Railway" and depicts the modified version. The real interest comes from FIGS.3-5. The inscription on FIG.3 reads " 'Imperial Series' No.413. The Picture Postcard Co., Ottawa", and it simply states "Lachine Bridge, Montreal."

FIG.3



FIGS.4-5 are replicas of FIG.3 except that they are put out by the Montreal Import Company. Both are numbered ""243" but look at the bottom inscriptions!

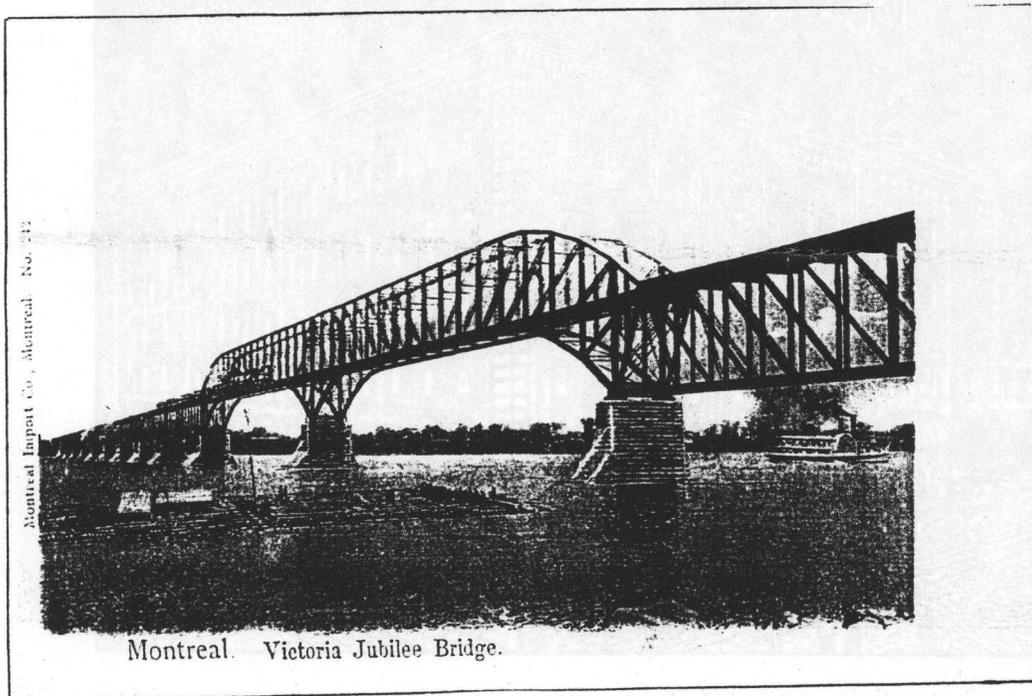
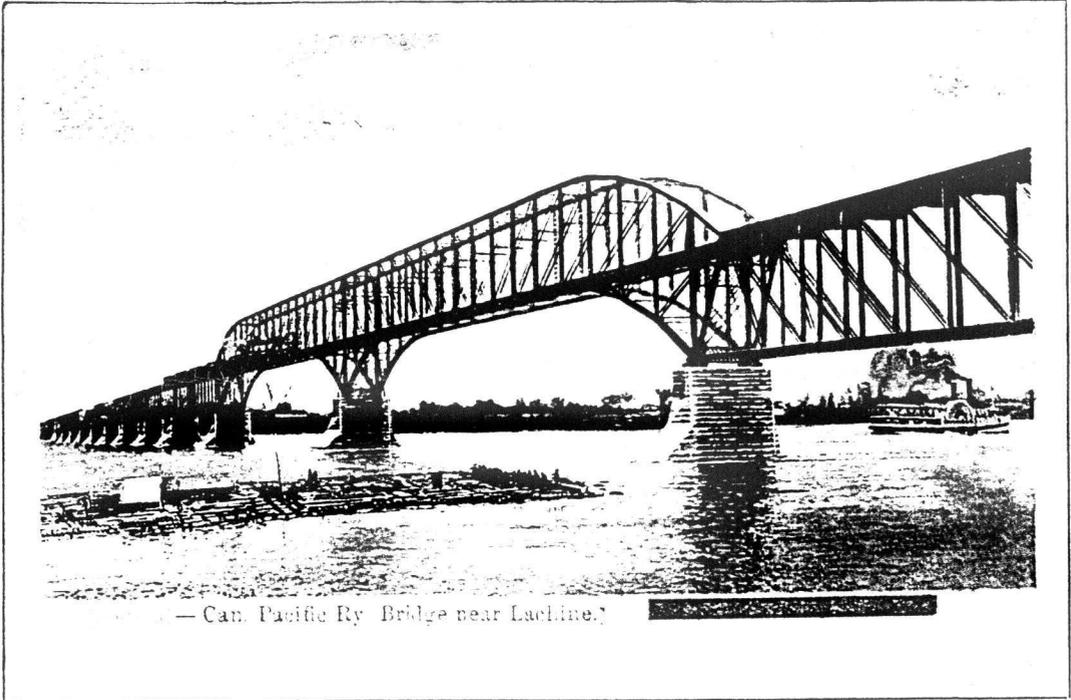


FIG.4

One denotes "Victoria Jubilee Bridge" while the other reads "Can. Pacific Ry. Bridge near Lachine." It certainly isn't the Victoria Bridge as noted in FIG.4! [Many instances of blatantly incorrect views exist and Peter's study is an interesting look at publishers' errors and the obvious being overlooked. Ed.]

FIG.5



CANADIAN NOVELTY "HOLD TO LIGHT" CARDS--BY W.O. BUCHANAN



The Tecumseh Hotel, London

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[Bill sent the previous illustration to showcase the availability of these interesting cards as a follow-up to Colin's article in Vol.I, No.5, p. 47. He's noted only ten which have been reported in the following listing. Can any members add to the list? Ed.]

- Chateau Frontenac Quebec
- Chateau Laurier, Ottawa. Grand Trunk Railway System
- C.P.R. Hotel, Banff, Alta. (A.E. Frost, Banff)
- Hotel Mount Royal, Banff, Canada
- Royce Hotel, St. John. N.B.
- *--The Fort Garry, Winnipeg-Canada. Grand Trunk Pacific Railway
- The Tecumseh Hotel, London, Canada
- **--Transparent Windows, Grand Union Hotel, Ottawa
- ***--Transparent Windows, Russel House, Ottawa
- Windsor Hotel Montreal

Publisher: Montreal Import Co., Montreal

*Wording has been noted in both black and red

**Two different wordings: one with "J.J.K. Paisley, Proprietor".

***"Private Postal Card" instead of "Post Card" and "Hold Card to Light" instead of "Hold To Light". The view does not take up the entire card.

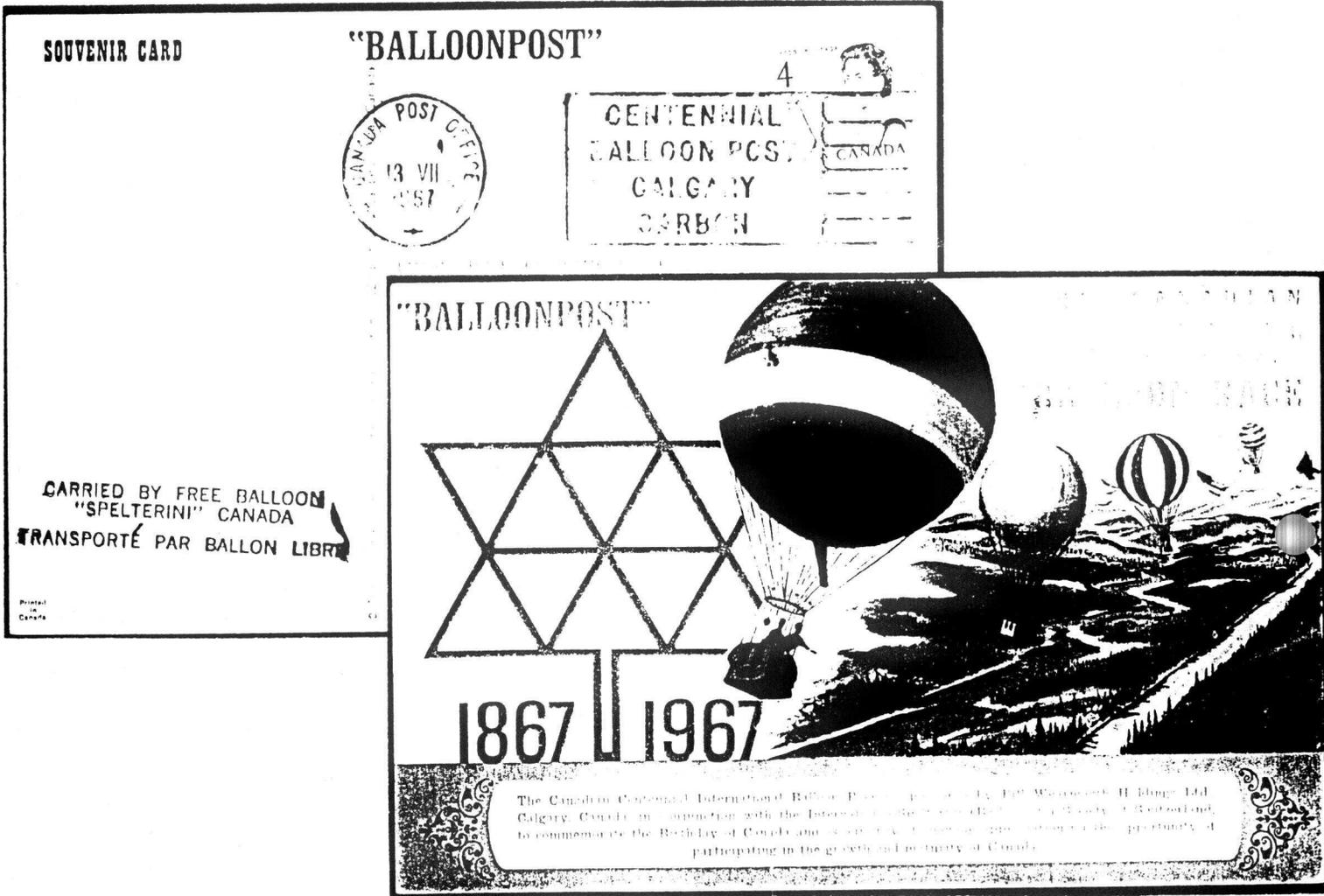
THE 'HARLAND', P.E.I. --BY D. MURRAY

[This modern repro card of the Harland sent in to our Chairman from Doug Murray is quite interesting. It's entitled "The 'Harland' in Victoria Harbour/Victoria-by-the-Sea/Prince Edward Island" and was published by The Studio Gallery, Victoria, P.E.I. Presumably the stamps printed thereon were not affixed to pay the postage! Ed.]



UP, UP AND AWAY: THE CENTENNIAL BALLOON RACE--BY D. MARIO

The Canadian Centennial International Balloon Race was sponsored by Bill Wearmouth Holdings Ltd., Calgary, along with the International Spelterini (Balloonists) Society of Switzerland and several flights took place throughout 1967. This multi-coloured chrome card was typical of those carried on the balloons (American Air Mail Catalogue #BC-6704). The cards were printed in Canada by the Canadian Centennial Balloon Race, 1808-52nd St. S.E., Calgary, Alta.



DEAR MEMBERS:

The year 2001 is upon us and it is time for another volume of our newsletter. It is hoped that the coming year brings forth health, happiness, and all of the cards one can handle! Several members have been a bit late in sending Colin their dues and a reminder will be noted if your dues are due! It's only \$10 per year (international members US\$10) which includes five issues. Send your cheque/payment to J.C. Campbell, #303-1260 Raymer Ave., Kelowna, BC V1W 3S8. If you have something to send to me as Editor, and your dues are necessary, I can forward them on to J.C. C. (Box 342, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3L3). If any member has a problem with their address on a future membership roll, please advise me a.s.a.p.! Any thoughts on placing wanted/for sale ads in the newsletter for a nominal fee? Have a new card to illustrate? Don't forget about BNAPEX 2001 in Ottawa, the Edmonton National Spring Show, ORAPEX and other shows where postcards are a'plenty! Until March/April, happy collecting!
