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## Annual Meeting

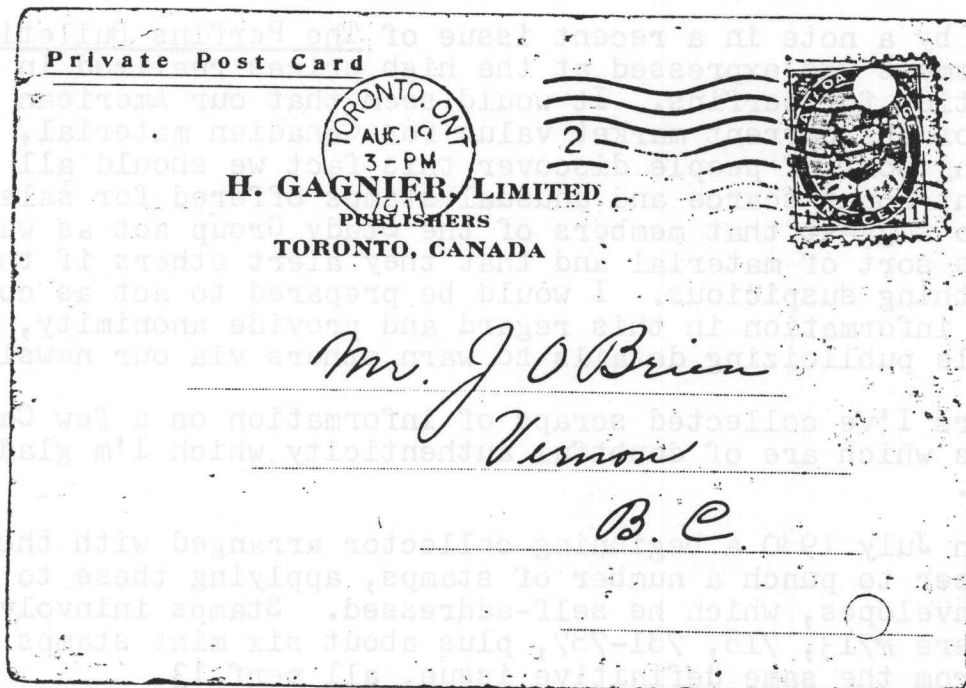
The following were re-elected as officers: Dave Hanes Chairman  
Mike Hargraft Secretary  
Jim Catterick Editor

Dues for 1987 were set again at \$5.00

A few members have neglected to send in their dues. If there is a RED dot beside this announcement, this will be your last Perforator.

## Request for help.

The postcard below has perfin C47. If anyone knows the connection between H. Gagnier Limited and Toronto Saturday Night please drop a note off to Jon Johnson.



Caveat Emptor

by Michael Dicketts

Unlike collectors of U.S. perfins Canadian collecting interests have remained remarkably free of material with any taint of unauthorized or made-to-order appearance.

I don't know how prevalent the practice is in other parts of the world but I do know that in the U.S. collectors think nothing of acquiring an old perforator and then happily offering to produce examples on current stamps. Although there is nothing inately sinister in such a practice it personally offends my sense of what this hobby is all about. The thought that someone has access to an 'A' rated machine who might be tempted to use it on readily available Edwards and Admirals has for a long time concerned me.

Imagine, if you will, what would happen if someone found the I.1 perforator and punched a bunch of used 5¢ registration stamps and proceeded to leak these out on the market. Or worse, a U.S. owner of, say, S.15 who did the same with a few Admirals. I'm sure you'd join with me and throw up your hands in disgust and cease collecting perfins.

Fortunately the few Canadian perforators to have survived have been donated to the National Postal Museum where proper control has and, I hope, continues to be maintained to prevent improper use. I do know of two machines which exist in private hands. The owner of one intends to donate it to the Museum in due time (incidentally, it is not an 'A' or 'B' rating). The other perforator, design unknown, is reported to be in the hands of a non-collector who's interest is in antiques, and so its future remains questionable.

I was struck by a note in a recent issue of The Perfins Bulletin wherein amazement was expressed at the high prices realized in a Canadian auction for perfins. It would seem that our American friends are unaware of the current market value for Canadian material, but when the wrong sort of people discover this fact we should all be extra vigilant about scarce and unusual stamps offered for sale. I would like to suggest that members of the Study Group act as watchdogs for this sort of material and that they alert others if they learn of anything suspicious. I would be prepared to act as coordinator of information in this regard and provide anonymity, if desired, while publicizing details to warn others via our newsletter.

Over the years I've collected scraps of information on a few Canadian perfin issues which are of doubtful authenticity which I'm glad to pass on here.

- C.14 In July 1930 a beginning collector arranged with the user to punch a number of stamps, applying these to envelopes, which he self-addressed. Stamps involved were #713, 718, 731-737, plus about six mint stamps from the same definitive issue, all perf.13.

C.33 From 1956 on the user allowed a few members of the public to punch stamps as a souvenir of their visit to the Trail complex. I own a #A01 and know that 405 and 553 exist.

E.1 It was reported to me that #512 was produced as a favour. I am unaware of the perforator's present location.

L.1 The same situation occurred as described for C.14. Stamps involved were #713, 713, 731-737, plus three mint issues. It is therefore a possibility that stamps after #561 exist as philatelic favours.

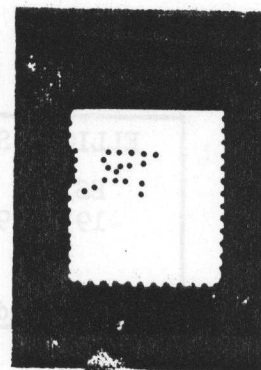
M.16 According to deceased member Clarke Horning late usage stamps were philatelic favours. The only stamp I know of which fits this category is #A54 but other Centennial issues may exist.

S.2 I have long had suspicions about late usage of Swift's perforator. I own examples of #A04 and 405 and am aware that 436, 440, 457 and 470 exist in collections. The machine was moved from Moose Jaw to Yorkton (see Topics May 1973) and its present whereabouts is unknown to me. Caution should be exercised when buying late issue stamps with this design.

We are fortunate that none of the above represent any of our rare designs, but as demand continues to grow for material, the temptation is there if the right conditions exist. I can only hope that my worse fears remain unfounded and that our collecting interests remain unsullied by such incidents.

#### Identification Requested

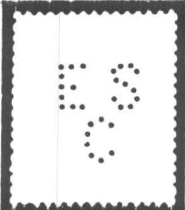
Bruce Holmes has this on Scott's # 104, 1¢ Admiral. Can someone identify this Perfin? Send the answer to the editor, please.



Perfin Handbook Update #3

<u>Page</u>	<u>Perfin</u>	<u>Updated Information</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Perfin</u>	<u>Updated Information</u>
6	-	Webb 20c s/b W20b & W20c	54	M19	Early date-1910/07/15
6	C44	s/b C45	55	M22	Early date-1911/09/27
6	C40	s/b C41		M22	Late date -1933/10/03
6	C42	s/b C43	57	N4	Early date-1927/05/28
26	C6	Early date-1944/06/13		N5	Early date-1917/06/09
27	C14	Late date -1939/06/07	59	N14	Early date-1940/07/25
	C15	Early date-1911/05/19		N14	Late date -1956/--/--
31	C30	Late date -1947/06/17		N15	Late date -1933/11/20
32	C36	Early date-1931/10/07	60	N20	Late date -1955/01/25
	C36	Late date -1937/02/11	62	01	Late date -1938/01/15
	C38	Late date -1951/09/03		03	Early date-1903/10/03
33	C43	Late date -1986/02/02	63	011	Late date -1941/--/--
	C44	Late date -1928/04/23	65	P3	Late date -1951/06/01
	C45	Early date-1923/07/25	67	P14	Late date -1930/10/25
	C45	Late date -1986/--/--		P15	Early date-1930/02/20
	C46	Early date-1930/01/--	69	R8	Early date-1911/02/09
34	C49	Early date-1912/03/26	71	S9	Early date-1911/06/07
	C50	Late date -1912/05/27		S10	Early date-1937/08/08
38	D8	Early date-1927/12/20	73	S20	Issues 1911-1922
	D8	Late date -1928/04/11	75	T13	Early date-1944/05/11
41	G6	Late date -1934/12/22	78	W3	Early date-1910/05/13
42	G9	Early date-1965/11/15		W5	Note: Later issues known.
	G14	Late date -1923/02/16	79	W12	Early date-1916/05/11
44	G19	Late date -1938/05/27	80	W15	Early date-1914/02/14
46	I1	Late date -1909/09/16	104	add C44	Inland Rev. W.T. & I.R Excise
47	J3	Early date-1913/05/08	111	C45	add E5
	J3	Late <b>issue</b> 1967		add 06	add E8
52	M7	Late date -1927/05/17		09	add E10
	M3	Early date-1913/05/20	105	add E7	add Excise 1934
48	J11	Early date-1912/11/04	73	SAI	Type S22 (not S21)

New Perfin Type

ELLIOTT SERVICES CO.	NEW YORK, NY.		E7
ES/C			
1935-1945			
-	N/A		A
See Addendum F.	C, U.S.		

## HANDBOOK UPDATE #4

Here's my contribution to update the handbook on Canadian Stamps With Perforated Initials. After a period of over four years since the 'Study Group' ended the survey for the publication of the 4th edition of the Handbook, my collection of canadian perfins has doubled in size and it was a lot of work and fun to check it for new information for you and the handbook coordinator. I sincerely hope that this list will stimulate members of this study group to have a closer look at their perfins. These perforated stamps you own are 'Documents' and they have a lot of things to tell you if you only take the time to investigate...

by Conrad Tremblay

Page 26 - C9 Early Cancel : 1917/09/07 (on stamp No. 106)  
 27 - C15 Last Issue : 197~~7~~6 (No. 586 and 593)  
 30 - C25 Last Issue : 197~~7~~6 (No. 593)  
     Add (Country where perfin is found): Nfld. (No.257)  
     C26 Late Date : 1946/-/- (NO. 257)  
 31 - C33 Add : See Addendum I  
 32 - C36 Late Date : 1933/11/09 (No. 176)  
     C40 Early Date : 1903/-/- (No. 99)  
 33 - C45 Early Issue : 1925 (No. 115)  
 37 - D6 Late Cancel : 1963/11/04 (No. 351)  
 39 - E1 Late Cancel : 1948/01/26 (No. 252)  
     E2 Add (Country where perfin is found): Nfld. (No.196)  
 40 - F4 Add : See Addendum I  
  
 47 - J6 Add Identity : J.H. Semple  
 54 - M16 Last Issue : 1971 (No. 454 gen. tagged)  
 59 - N12 Early Date : 1917/06/01 (No. MR4)  
 60 - N16 Late Date : 1925/01/25 (No. 109)  
     N17 Early Date : 1948/05/14 (No. 233)  
     N20 Last Issue : 1956 (No. 361)  
 62 - O2 Last Issue : 193~~2~~5 (No. 197)  
     O7 Early Date : 1926/03/26 (No. 105)  
 63 - O8  
     Late Date : 1949/12/29 (No. E11)  
     O9  
     Late Date : 1950/M-/14 (No. E11)  
     O11 Early Date : 1903/07/13 (No. 77a)  
 65 - P5 Add : See Addendum I  
 67 - P15 Late Date : 1979/05/23 (No. 586 gen. tagged)  
     P17 Early Date : 1912/05/22 (No. 106)  
 68 - Q1 Early Issue : 1911 (No. 104, 106)  
     Early Date : 1923/08/22 (No. 112)  
     Late Date : 1957/02/- (No. 316)  
 69 - R5 Early Date : 1915/04/17 (No. 104, 106)  
 71 - S9 Late Date : 1956/09/- (No. 351)  
 72 - S18 Late Date : 1932/03/17 (No. 163)  
 75 - T8 Late Date : 1918/03/20 (No. MR4)  
     T9 Early Date : 1912/09/09 (No. 104)  
     T12 Late Date : 1944/05/- (No. 257)  
  
     T13 Late Date : 1952/-/17 (No. 305)  
 78 - W3 Late Date : 1934/09/18 (No. 190)  
 80 - W14 Last Issue : 1953 (No. 329)  
     Late Date : 1932/05/26 (No. 273)

- Page 91 - 08 - Add : No. C1, E11.  
 93 - C40 - Add : No. 99, 111, 141, 142.  
 C41 - Add : No. 486, 517, 531, 552, 563, 634, 635, 639,  
 840, 863.  
 94 - C42 - Add : MR4a  
 C43 - Add : 434, 437, 438, 463, 477, 496, 503, 525, 536,  
 790, 838, 861, 867.  
 95 - C44 - Add : No. 112a (Lyman) Thin paper.  
 C45 - Add : No. 115, 376, 436, 438, 462, 594a, 705, 716,  
 719, 723, 726a, 748, 749, 771, 772, 781, 782,  
 783, 786, 787, 789, 790, 791, 862, 907, 923,  
 924, and the late 10¢ weathercock.  
 96 - M3 - Add : No. 221  
 07 - Add : No. 112a (thin paper), No. 165a.  
 97 - J1 - Add : No. 651, 742, 820.  
 P14 - Add : No. 112c (redrawn frame line).  
 99 - Q1 - Add : No. 277, 357.  
 101 - N3 - Add : No. 3-112c (redrawn frame line).  
 104 - C51 - Add : Inland Rev WTax, (R237), Excise 1915 (R276).  
 G23 - Add : Excise 1915 (R276).  
 108 - C41 - Add : No. 634, 635, 639, 655.  
 109 - C41 - Add : No. 863.  
 C45 - Add : No. 781, 782, 791, 907, 923, 924, 10¢ W.Cock.  
 C43 - Add : No. 790, 838, 867.  
 104 - G6 - Add : Inland Revenue Excise (R252)  
 107 - 404p Add : G9, W2.  
 108 - 593p Add : C25.  
 594Ap Add : C45.  
 Page 51 - Early Issue: 1903.  
 110 - Add : C33 - C6, F4 - C9, P5 - C6.

Note: On the page 108 and 109, all the catalogue numbers I listed should be followed by a 'p'.

Few typographical errors noted in the Addendum N:

Page 122 - 3rd edition

4th edition

A3	should read	A2
A4	" "	A3
A5	" "	A4
A6	" "	A5
A7	" "	A6
A7a	" "	A7
A8	" "	A8
A9	" "	A9
D3	" "	D6
L2	" "	L3
L3	" "	L5
L4	" "	L6
L5	" "	L7
S16	" "	SX20

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In 1982 Jean-Guy Dalpe conducted a survey and made out an excellent "Check list of stamps punched by companies in the Province of Quebec". He has graciously consented to allow us to publish the lists, along with a few additions. We thank Jean-Guy for his cooperation. The first types from his list are published now.

Send any additions to the editor for publication in a future Perforator.

B14 Bell Telephone Co.B15 Bell Telephone Co.

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	200					

MR 1		FWT 7 (R229)		FX 36 (R276)
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MR 3				
MR 3a		FX 36 (R276)		
MR 4		FX 38 (R278)		
		FX 39 (R279)		
		FX 64 (R305)		

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Note: 105a, 106a, 109a, 119b,

Q1 Quebec Liquor Commission

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Note: #197b has also been reported.

Perfin Pricing.

Bruce Holmes is looking for Perfin Price Lists (BNA) to aid him in a study that he has undertaken. Contact Bruce Holmes, 64 Maple Circle, Dollard des Ormeaux, Quebec, Can. H9B 1E7

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