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## Annual Meeting

Our study group annual meeting was held in Charlottetown P.E.I. on Sept. 17, with 14 in attendance. The hour allotted was taken up with lively discussions on a variety of topics. The officers were re-elected; Chairman David Hanes, Secty-Treas. Mickael Hargraft, editor Jim Catterick. The treasurer reported a balance of approx. \$300.00. Our membership stands at 62.

Annual dues to remain at \$5. for 1988, despite the projected increase in postage - again. The Newfoundland Perfin Survey has drawn reports from 90 collectors, with a few more being received each week. Reports have come from our members, plus collectors from US., GB, Australia, New Zealand and Holland.

Those present would like to see more articles such as the in depth study of G15 GUNN by Robert Traquair.

The 1988 BNAPS Convention is being held in Virginia Beach on Sept. 8-9-10. Their committee is limiting exhibits to 4 frames, and are asking all study groups members to consider exhibiting. There were 3 or 4 who were attending the meeting expressed an interest in attempting an exhibit. Each study group is to provide a knowledgeable person to be available to the judges for consultation.

## New Members

Paul, Gary, 110 Peter St., Renfrew ON	K7V 1H8
Moose, Frederick, 7177 E. Costilla Dr. Englewood, CO	80112
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Deveau, Russell N., 23 Somerset st., Dartmouth, NS	B2Y 4G7
Durbano, Pat, Box 326, Stn. D, Toronto, ON	M6P 3J9

## Change of Address

McNey, Floyd G. 8019-160 St., Edmonton, AB	T5R 2G9
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## G6 G/LD Greenshields Ltd. Additions to list

Scott # 237, 3¢ Coronation	
Scott # 231, 1¢ King George	
Scott # 232, 2¢ King George	

Perfin Handbook Update #6

<u>Page</u>	<u>Perfin</u>	<u>Updated Information</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Perfin</u>	<u>Updated Information</u>
21	A9	Late date - 1947/09/16	50	L1	Late date - 1985/12/03
22	B2	Early date- 1937/03/31		L3	Late date - 1930/07/03
25	C2	Issues 1911-1922		L6	Early date- 1909/03/27
30	C23	Early date- 1913/04/17	57	N2	Issues 1911-1922
	C27	Early date- 1910/05/13		N4	Early date- 1927/05/07
31	C31	Early date- 1910/04/21	61	N29	<b>Early issue</b> 1903
33	C46	Early date- 1929/09/17		N29	Late date - 1914/12/14
34	C49	Late date - 1912/08/02	62	O4	Late date - 1915/10/14
	C50	Early date- 1912/05/22	63	O13	Early date- 1910/11/01
	C51	Early date- 1932/08/22	67	P14	Early issue 1911
35	C59	Early Issue 1898	68	R3	Late date - 1946/01/24
37	D7	Early date- 1923/09/19	71	S13	Late date - 1913/03/19
38	D8	Early date- 1922/11/30	72	S14	Issues 1932-1935
41	G3	Late Issue 1954		S15	Late issue 1930
	G7	Late date - 1957/05/02		S15	Late date - 1930/10/27
42	G9	Change PF to 'D'	74	T2	Late date - 1917/03/24
	G9	Late date - 1969/03/11	75	T12	Early date- 1923/03/12
	G10	Late date - 1967/02/27	76	U2	Late Issue 1930
	G12	Late date - 1921/07/27	78	W1	Late date - 1922/06/13
44	G18	Early date- 1926/11/16		W5	Late date - 1971/05/01
	G22	Early date- 1915/--/--		W6	Early date- 1912/10/23
46	I3	Late date - 1967/--/--	79	W8	Early date- 1909/05/03
	I4	Late date - 1915/01/15	89	T11	Is only found in 1950's stamps <u>not</u> Admirals.
	I6	Late date - 1912/02/29			
47	J5	Early issue 1930	103	C10	Add 1934 Excise
	J7	Issues 1932-1935		C30	Add 1915 Excise
48	J11	Early date- 1912/11/10			

C(HI) International Harvester Company of Canada

In volume 8, Number 4, we listed issues of these Perfins.  
The following are additions to that list:

<u>C18</u>	<u>C19</u>	<u>C20</u>	<u>C21</u>	<u>C22</u>	<u>C23</u>	<u>C24</u>	<u>C25</u>	<u>C25</u>	<u>C26</u>
112	166	118	190	112	113	106i	122	544	164
157		197i	269	146	118	109i	198	587	
241a		252		164	193	197i	220	593a	
249					MR1	253	299	715	
250					MR3	FX38	349		
					MR5		531		

<u>C27</u>	<u>C27</u>	<u>C28</u>	<u>C29</u>	<u>C30</u>	<u>C30</u>	<u>C31</u>	<u>C32</u>	<u>C33</u>	<u>C34</u>
106pre	170	106i	106i	111	250	163	175	197i	269
118	173		109i	168	260	175	192	247	304
141	192		112iv	197i	271	249	195	FWT8	351
165	243		146	204	319	255	197i		352
169	250		241a	214	324		255		
	337			249	336		FX42		

STRAIGHT EDGED PERFINS

As all collectors know, some Canadian stamps (and revenue stamps) issued before 1930 came from the post office in sheet arrangements that made many straight edges rather than perforated edges identifiable; many of these stamps were perforated by companies.

Later, in the Cameo and Centennial definitives, more such stamps, either from miniature panes, sheets, or booklet panes have straight edges; some sheet stamps as commemoratives in the years 1968 to 1970 were so issued; the last airmail stamps, C9 was issued in a booklet panes with straight edges. All of these have been seen as perfins.

I believe such straight edged perfins are collectable as varieties, and I list below my "moderns" holdings. They are identified by perfin number, Scott number, perfin position, and the straight edge appearing as T(top), B(bottom), LS(left side), RS(right side); corners are identified as, for instance, LS & B (left side and bottom).

I would be interested to hear from other members of the Group who also have an interest in this aspect of perfin collecting.

C 41:	460	(4)	(RS & T);	512	(1)	(RS)	
C 43:	459	(4)	(T)	;	495	(4)	(B)
					;	512	(1)
					;		(LS)
C 51:	459	(4)	(RS)	;	459	(4)	(B)
	460	(4)	(b)	;	517	(1)	(T)
					;	459b	(4)
					;	517	(1)
					;		(RS & B)
					;		(RS)
D 6 :	404	(1)	(RS)	;	404	(2)	(RS)
P 15:	C9	(4)	(RS & B);	C9	(8)	(B)	;
	402	(4)	(LS & B);	402	(4)	(B)	;
	459	(4)	(T)	;	460	(2)	(RS)
	512	(2)	(T)	;	460	(4)	(RS)
					;	402	(4)
					;	459	(3)
					;	460	(4)
					;		(RS & B)
					;		(T)
					;		(RS)
W 1 :	459	(8)	(T)	;	459vi	(4)	(RS)
					;	517	(1)
					;		(T)

Mike Hargraft

Oh! Oh! - - - OHMS

M.B. Fennell



This perfin was listed in an auction catalogue as a fake, and was also illustrated, yet I purposely bid on it, and successfully, just to have it as a novelty item.

Upon examining it closely, I became rather disturbed. This crude effort on Scott # 248 would not fool any knowledgeable perfin collector, however that was not my main concern. Upon looking at the front and back of the stamp, was surprised to see such clean cut holes. We have all seen local club raffle tickets produced on the mimeograph or copier where the stub has been given a sewing machine perforation and is a rough job, but not so with this. I wondered how it had been done. Possibly by a sewing machine by filing down the needle point to give the same punch effect as a perforator and before working on it, placing the stamp over thin card so as to give a sharp cut hole.

However it was done matters not, it was done. It occurred to me that it would be quite easy to take this one step further and, for example punch a single hole to put in a missing code hole, or otherwise complete a perfin that was minus one or two holes.

Attempts have been made in the past to forge perfins, and with the very high prices being realized these days for some perfins, in auctions, the temptation to fiddle about becomes greater and we must therefore be ever vigilant.

W12 WR/Co, William Rennie Co.,Ltd. Toronto, ON.

W13 WR/Co., William Rennie Co., Ltd. Vancouver, BC

Further reports have been received concerning these two William Rennie Co. Ltd Perfins. We should all take another look at our stamps perfinned W12 or W13 if they are postmarked or on cover.

Bruce Holmes writes:

W13 WR/Co. William Rennie Co. Ltd. Vancouver BC

I have the following:

Scott # 167, Position one, Strip of 3, Toronto roller cancellation

Scott # 175, position one, Toronto roller cancellation

(dates are not discernable.)

Bob Traquair poses a query in his letter:

I can add this further information with regard to W13 - used in Toronto.

In the February 87 edition of the Perforator, Jack Benningen reported a cover using W13 from Toronto. I have almost the identical cover, the only difference being the date. My cover is dated July 26, 1924.

I also have these stamps in my collection:  
Scott # 119 with Toronto roller cancellation  
Scott # 155 with Toronto roller cancellation

The same type of anomaly occurs with W12 attributed to Toronto. W12 was also used extensively from Montreal. I have a Rennie card with W12 used from Montreal with a 2¢ Admiral carmine dated Mar 22\_\_7.

I also have these stamps perfed W12 but used with a Montreal roller:

Scott # 241        # 249        # 250        #257        #260        #269

As usual, the more we learn, the more we question. Is there any evidence of W13 being used in Montreal - or - W12 being used in Vancouver?

### Newfoundland Perfins

The name of our group is "study" group, and this became true when a collector sent in his NF survey and included a Scott # 190 with very small perforations, and inquired as to what they were. Illustration 1. I took the stamp to Charlottetown, but no one in either the Perfin or NF study groups could give a clue as to whether they were figures and/or letters.

Since that time 2 additional copies have come to my attention. on Scott # 254 and # 257. The latter provided a clue. Ill. 2



Illustration 1  
Scott # 190

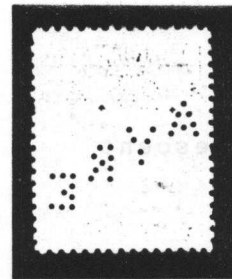
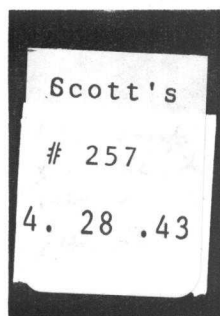


Illustration 2  
Scott # 257

Newfoundland Perfins (cont'd)



The face clearly shows a date 4.28.43. The figures are perfinned with very small holes illustration 3. The periods are 9 mm apart, and appear to be punctured rather than perforated.

On closer examination of Scott # 190 there is a date of 8.1 . 36; and the Scott # 254 is dated 4.7.42

Illustration 3

Questions come to mind. Was this type of date stamp used on other than stamps perfinned A9 AYRE? Are there other dates? Are there other issues with this Perfin date stamp? Was this type of date stamp used for a specific purpose?

Has anyone other stamps that the 3 listed with this type of date stamp. They could be Perfinned AYRE, or not perfinned. Send any information to the editor.

BNA Perforator Index

Enclosed with this BNA Perforator is an index by both DESIGN and CATEGORY. Our thanks to Mike Hargraft for this index.

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