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FROM THE EDITORS DESK:

Very little to report. Some good information coming up in the future issues. I have enough material for about 3 or possible 4 issues. I just seem to always obtain the material for another newsletter. I think that our chairman has said it all in his chairmans chatter. I hope every one had a good summer. I know that I did but was real busy.

Perfin Potpourri

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WANTED: Any L3 perfin on cover
Please advise asking price.

Name
Address

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FOR SALE: Type or types

Please send a SSAE for price list

Name
Address

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TRADE: Am willing to trade
my dups for yours. List
supplied on request. Trading
arrangements negotiated so
as to be mutually acceptable

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I am pleased to be able to report that the situation in regard to a permanent secretary-treasurer, and with respect to our much delayed auction, has at last been resolved. Steven Koning of Toronto ON has agreed to assume the office of secretary-treasurer as of January 1, 1993, the interim period being covered through the willingness of Michael Dicketts to serve until that time. Conrad Tremblay of Rawdon QC consented to become auctioneer, seperately from the secretary-treasurer's duties. As Conrad plans a trip to Ontario in September and hopes to visit Michael at that time, I have suggested to him that that would be a good time to pick up the 1991 auction material and bids and then to complete that segment.

Lorne James has put together the forms for the A B C factors survey and an excellent job he has done too. I would expect the first batch will appear in the November issue of the Perforator, and would ask all members to complete and return them.

To try and stir up interest, we offered free ads in the Perfin Potpourri section. I don't know whether or not there will be any in this issue of the newsletter, but just a reminder that the opportunity is there for any who wish to take advantage of it.

Another feature to be introduced is a column to be headed up YOU ASKED. I'm sure we all have a question or two about some aspect of perfin collecting and would like to know the answer. Supplying the answer may not always be possible, however someone among our membership should be able to help. For example, a photocopy of an incomplete perfin could be submitted for possible identification, or maybe you would like to know the approximate value of a specific item. Whatever. Let's give it a whirl.

If information is forthcoming, it is hoped that a thumbnail sketch of our various group officers can be published in the Perforator, and if the facilities that Floyd uses to print can do it, to also incorporate a photo or maybe a distorted close likeness. We'll see.

Besides collecting perfins, I'm also into Postal Stationery and attended that seminar at BNAPEX91. I was impressed by the amount of information of a philatelic nature that can be researched in the NATIONAL ARCHIVES, Ottawa. (not the Postal Museum) This is not something for just a casual or one time visitor, as the first trip is one of orientation, however for our members living in Ottawa or close proximity, it is a project that might interest them. If anyone would like more information, just let me know and I'll put them in touch with the Postal Stationery reseacher.

CANADIAN INDUSTRIES AND THEIR PERFORATORS

by Conrad Tremblay

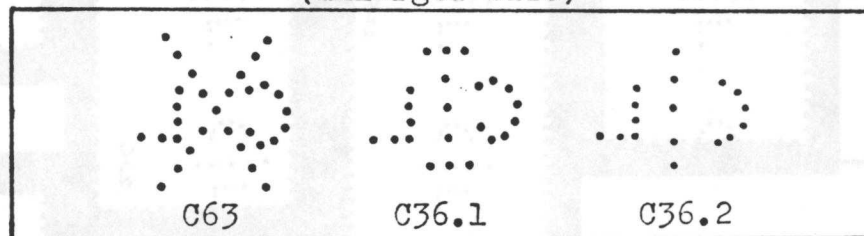
For the past 10 years, 3 illustrated articles have been written on these perforators:

- in 1983 - by Michael Dicketts - Volume 4, Number 2;
- in 1985 - by Jon Johnson - Volume 6, Number 2;
- in 1991 - by Jim Catterick - Volume 12, Number 2.

We learned then that the original perforator punching the pattern C63 (formerly identified as C34) was altered twice to give us two different patterns: C36.1 (formerly C13) illustrated in the handbook as C36 on page 32, and the second pattern C36.2 (formerly C13) illustrated at the bottom of page 31.

We also learned the life span for each of these perforators. The reasons for this article is first to let you share the knowledge I acquired from the plating of the third and final stage of the CIL perforator. Secondly, I'll make comments on the 10 dies shown in the plating of C36.2, also on the subject of random holes, extra holes, missing holes... and finally, I'll present to you a partial study on the C36.1 plating for which I'll be asking your help to find the missing links to complete this 10-die plating which will enable me later to plate the original pattern C63.

(Enlarged size)

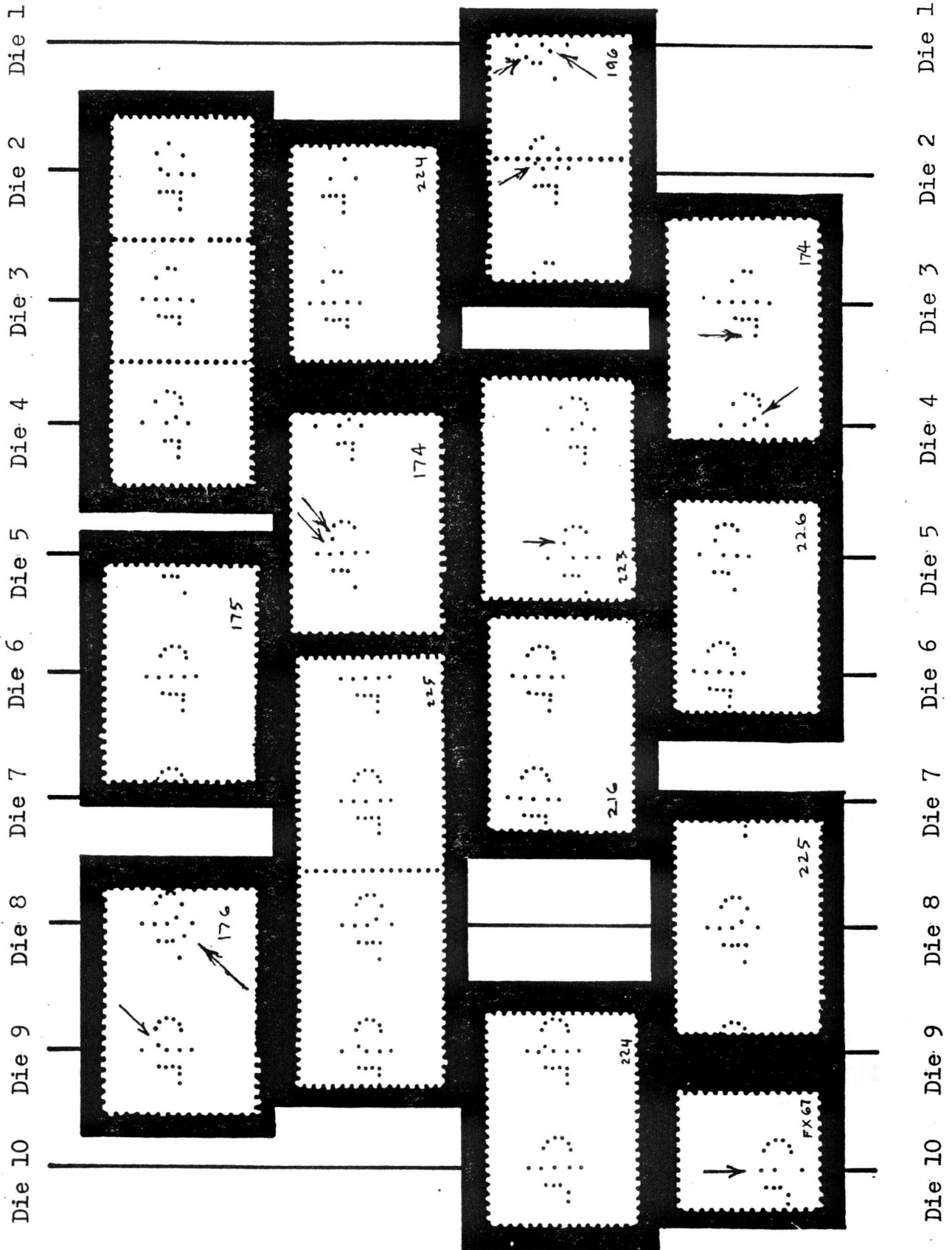


The last article written by the late Jim Catterick decided me to complete one plating to supply him with answers to some of his questions and to show him also all the varieties I found at this date, including exceptions to the rules he advanced. I then put together all the perfins of the two CIL patterns to have them photocopied, from my collection and duplicates, selecting all the different punches with missing pins and large stamps, pairs . . . With that material on hand, I completed the plating of the last stage of the perforator. This plating was only possible with the help of the strip of three illustrated in Jon's article (the stamp issue was not identified).

PLATING:

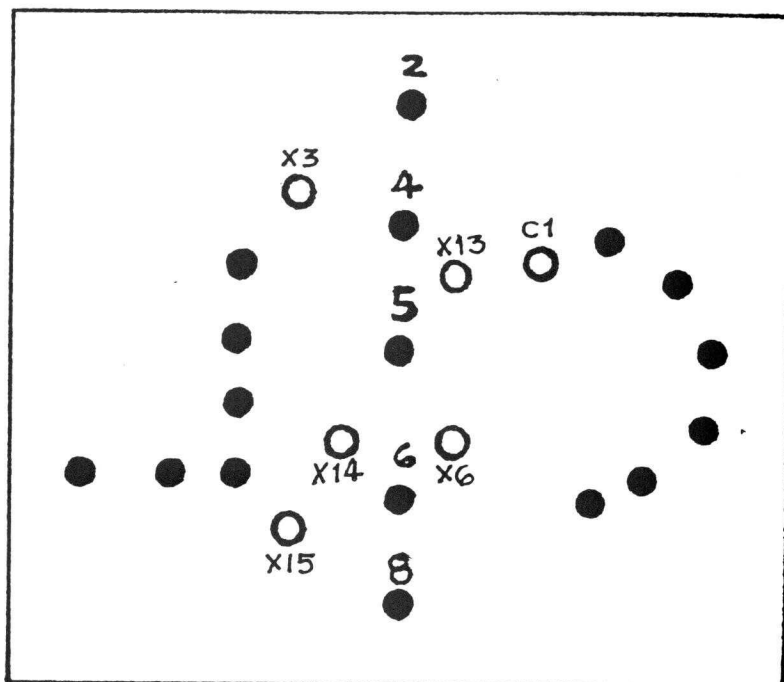
C36.2 (Second version)

Canadian Industries Ltd., Montreal, Qc



This is an exact reproduction of one of the dies of the pattern C36.2 enlarged 7.9 times and showing all the out-of-position pin holes (not part of the pattern) found so far.

They are represented by circles properly identified for reference.



Die 7

Die 6 - The only complete dies of this perforator.
The difference between these two dies: the pin holes 4 and 5 in the L are closer in die 6.

Die 5 - In previous articles, it was reported that six pins were removed from the pattern C36.1 to form the new pattern C36.2. It is true for nine dies. The plating shows die 5 with one pin not removed C1 pin is in all issues.

Die 4 - Pin hole X6 replaces I6.

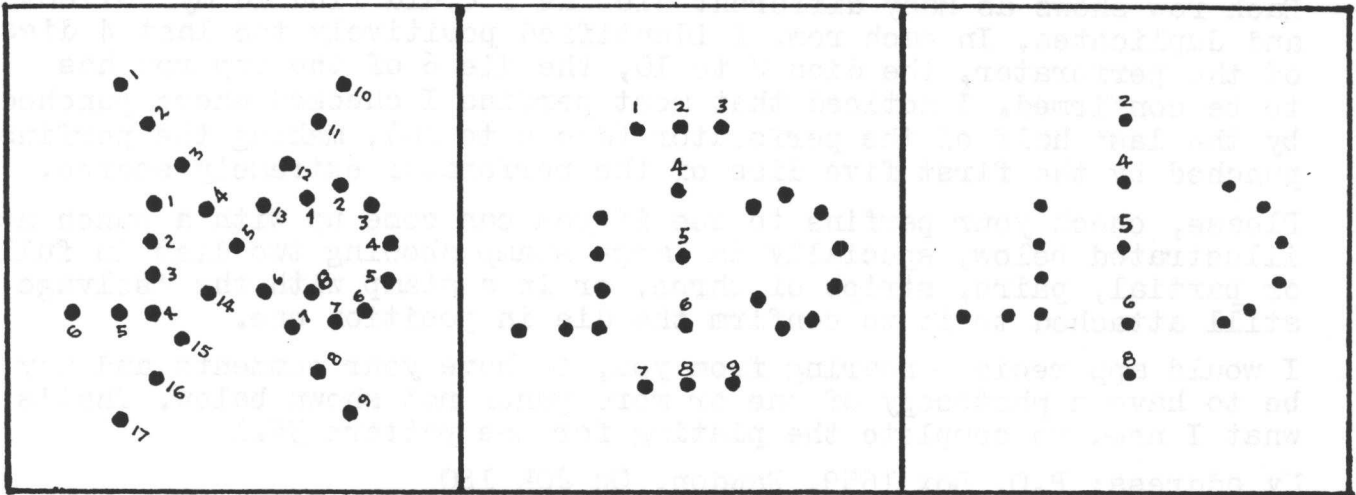
Die 3 - Note the poor shape of the letter 'C' which characterize this die on all issues; note also the bottom pin hole forming the I (I8) not in line.
The pin hole L6 appears in early issues only.

Die 2 - X13 replaces I4 on early issues but disappeared later, see stamp No. 224. While the 'L' stays intact in all three stamps, the 'C' offers a different number of missing pin holes in all stamps seen so far.

Die 1 - Although partial, this die can be identified by the two pin holes (misplaced) on the same side of the 'I'. They are identified as X3 and X13.

To conclude, I hope someone will report his find: die I with the 'C' showing, or any other die with an extra pin hole missing or added. Please, check your holding and let us know.

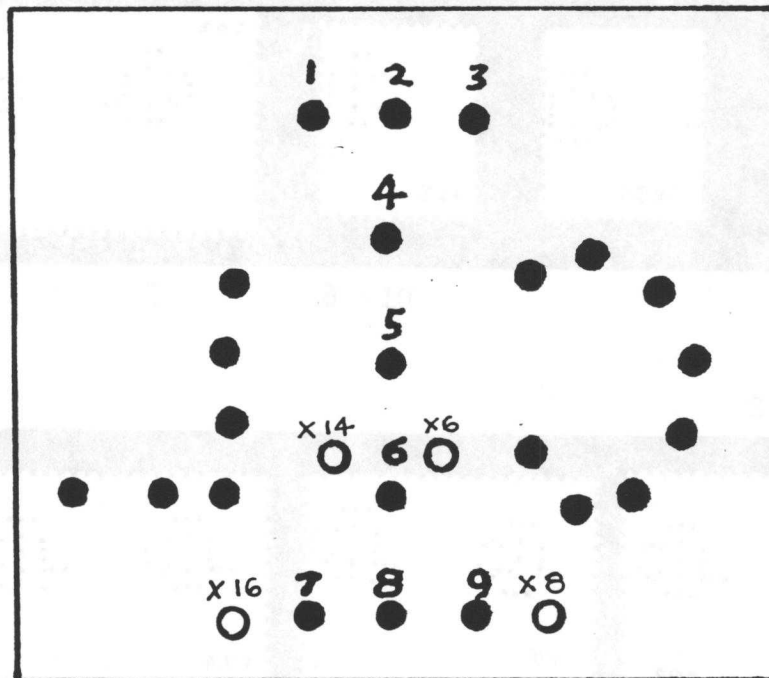
STUDY MATERIAL FOR PLATING THE FIRST STAGE OF THE PERFORATOR 36.1



C63

C36.1

C36.2



The enlargement (by 7.8) of the pattern 36.1 shows the exact location of the out-of-line pin holes (see the empty bullets in the illustration) I identified so far in that pattern. Jim mentioned two other 'misplaced' pins X4 and X13.

- The X4 is not illustrated in his article, so it as to be confirmed.
- The X13 should read X6, because the stamp No. 195 illustrates the pattern upside down. It is the same pattern as one in the No. 202 (also upside down) and that punch comes from the die No. 8.

Plating studies of the C36.1 - a search to find a sample punch from the 10 dies of that perforator.

You will find below two groups of perfins: one photocopied in position 1 (see illustration 1) and the other in position 5 (illustration 2). Each row shows as many different dies as I could find in my collection and duplicates. In each row, I identified positively the last 4 dies of the perforator, the dies 7 to 10, the die 6 of the top row has to be confirmed. I noticed that most perfins I checked where punched by the last half of the perforator (die 6 to 10), making the perfins punched by the first five dies of the perforator extremely scarce.

Please, check your perfins to see if you can come up with a punch not illustrated below, specially in large stamp showing two dies in full or partial, pairs, strips of three, or in a stamp with the 'selvage' still attached to it to confirm the die in position one.

I would appreciate hearing from you, to have your comments and may be to have a photocopy of one or more punch not shown below. That's what I need to complete the plating for the pattern 36.1

My address: P.O. Box 1659, Rawdon, Qc J0K 1S0

Illustration 1

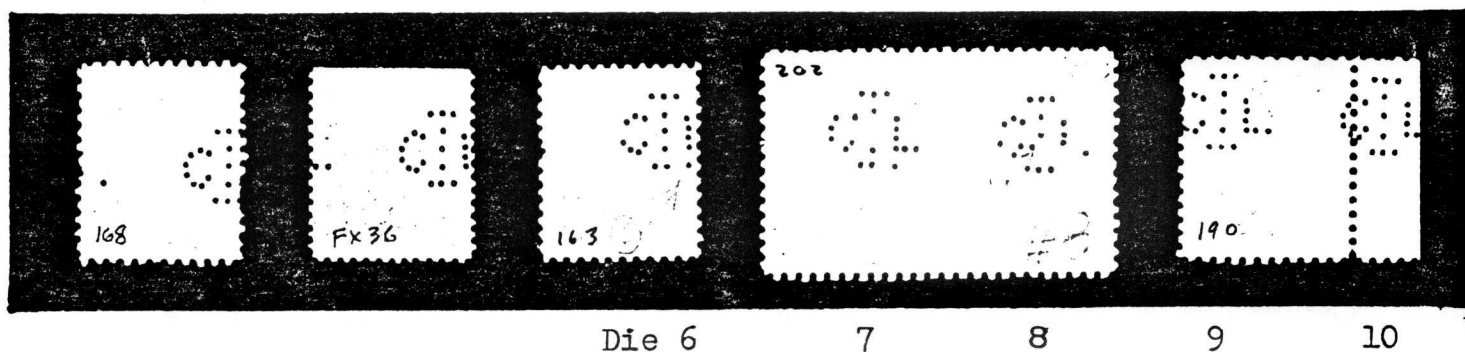
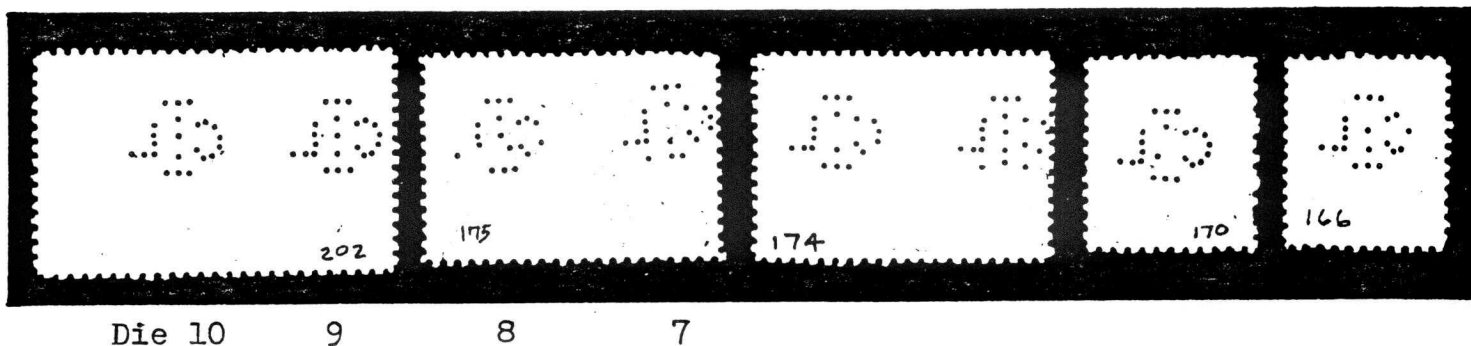


Illustration 2



- N.B. If you have duplicate perfins, send me a list with prices. I will buy or trade. Do not hesitate to ask for one of my free lists of perfins to trade:
- If you are interested in perfin types only, list No. 1,
 - List No. 2 for perfins on different stamp issues,
 - List No. 3 for positions collectors.