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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK GARY DOUGLAS

The big heap of snow in front of our house is now gone and we're confident that it's going to stay that way until next winter. Newfoundland continues to be hidden under the frolicky fluffy flakes of snow!

Some unfortunate information has come across my desk such that the next edition of the Australian Perfins Catalogue probably will not be published any time soon due to the fact that one of the co-authors is no longer a willing participant in this venture and it appears that legal action may be on the horizon. certainly an unfortunate situation and with all the new information waiting to be unleashed on the perfin community, we certainly hope this murky happenstance does not continue for much longer. After a brief period of anger, I realized that catalogue publishers do not physically possess all known patterns in their own collection, but that it is a collaborative effort brought together by many parties and put together in one body of work. Maybe all one has to do to solve such a problem, is to change catalogue designations of the many perfin patterns and, voilà, a perfin catalogue is born!

I highly anticipate a new edition of the Canadian Perfin Catalogue in the not-too-distant future, and dare not dream of the problems occurring with our friends in the southern hemisphere.

We will again be attending Orapex this year, which is being held on May 5-6, 2001, to visit our many friends and maybe meet other perfin collectors in that area. We will bring extra copies of past editions of The Perforator and leave them at the front desk. I will also bring with me other catalogues and perfin paraphernalia for those who wish to explore this fascinating topic further.

Another exciting auction accompanies this issue, and I would advise you to bid early since the auctioneer does not stay up late! Materials such as these do not appear on the market often and any item will increase the viewing pleasure of your collection each and every time you flip through your album pages.

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## **QUESTIONS**





The above illustration has purposes been 'lightened' so that the perforation would show up.

I acquired this postally used QV Jubilee with the unusual perfin type insignia in the upper left corner. I did not think much more about it until recently looking over an article in our local newspaper outlining various religions and their symbols. For what reason I will never know, on seeing the Jewish symbol, which I believe is referred to as the Star of David, it rang a bell with this odd perforation. If you examine the perforation you will

see that it does in fact conform to the Jewish symbol.

Is this pure coincidence, or is it possible that the perforation originated in the office of a synagogue or other Jewish organization. Does anyone know? Mark Fennell

A brief note in the March 2000 issue of The Perfin Bulletin on White Pass & Yukon Railway, W.II, mentions that this user is listed in the US catalogue as design W171 and known on the US stamps issued between 1902 and 1918. Our American friends assign Skagway, Alaska as the home base while our catalogue shows it to be Whitehorse, YT. This prompts the question: is this a Canadian user punching US stamps or vice versa? My records show Scott 89, 90, 91, 93, 104, 106, 111, 116, 135, MR3 and MR4 were all known punched with design W.11, and all fit within the time period of issuance mentioned in The Perfin Bulletin. Does anyone know more details about this user? Michael Dicketts

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **BNAPS Convention Auction**

Do you have stamps or covers which are no longer wanted? Have you ever wondered how to dispose of your 'specialized' material in which you have lost interest or which has become irrelevant in your current collection? What will happen to those stamps which really need someone quite knowledgeable to appreciate?

At the annual BNAPS Convention being held in Ottawa from August 31, 2001 to September 2, 2001, the Organizing Committee is holding a public auction which will feature *specialized BNA material*. It will be an opportunity to sell your unwanted or no longer needed specialty stamps and covers to one of the largest gatherings of BNA specialists to be assembled in a long time. If you have ever attended a BNAPS Convention, you known that this is the place to get the best prices possible. That's why so many dealers signed up a year in advance!!!!

This Convention is shaping up to be one of the best in many years. Over 200 members are expected to register along with a walk-in crowd of over 500 from Ottawa and surrounding areas. The Exhibit Chairman is planning for more than 200 frames. The Bourse Chairman has 27 dealers committed to attend, including the largest number of BNA postal history dealers ever. It will be quite an assembly of BNA specialists.

The auction is being professionally planned and operated with the donated support of Ian Kimmerly and his staff. A colour catalogue will be printed on the eve of the Convention and passed to all attendees as well as being posted to the BNAPS web site – it is expected that more than 1000 philatelists will see the catalogue. A maximum of 200 lots are being accepted. Net proceeds will be used to reduce Convention costs.

The auction will be called at 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2001 and will be open to bids from the Convention floor and by e-mail to those who view it on the web. There will be no premium on the hammer, resulting in the entire bid going to the Consignor. Reserves may be placed on each lot. Consignor fees are being kept simple - \$100.00 per sold lot and \$50.00 per unsold lot – so the more valuable the lot, the greater the saving to the Consignor.

If you are interested in consigning one or more lots to this auction, they need to be received in Ottawa no later than August 30, 2001, but the earlier the better, as lot descriptions will be posted on the web as soon as available, probably starting in July. A consignment form is available on the BNAPS web site. Alternatively, it may be received from Andy Ellwood, at Box 83004, Vista Centre, Ottawa, Ontario K1V 1A3. Any questions may be answered by calling Andy in the evenings at 613-737-2137. We look forward to serving you.

Andy Ellwood

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

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A warm welcome to both of you.

## "MISMATCHED" PERFIN COVERS [PART 1 OF 3]

R.S. Traquair

MISMATCHED CORNER CARD

Collectors of perfin covers strive to secure covers with perfined stamps which match the identity of the user, most commonly by means of the corner card, but occasionally by other identification. In our search, though, we infrequently find covers where the identity of the perfined stamp is different that the corner card or other identification. The immediate reaction is often that there is probably a legitimate link between the identified perfin and the "mismatched" user.

I have been seeking those "mismatched" covers for many years and my purpose in submitting this article is to attempt to determine what other perfin covers have been discovered by other collectors and seek help to identify unknown associations.

The Canadian railways have been most prolific in this field and there are very available histories of their development and acquisitions.

I list below those mismatched covers that are in my collection, together with the reasons, as best as I can identify, for the association. There is some guesswork and a number of "blanks".

Where I have been unable to determine any reason for an association, I have indicated so by the following: ???

**PERFIN** 

**IDENTITY** 

C/C/R	Canadian Consolidated Rubber Co. Ltd.	Dominion Rubber System (Quebec)							
C11									
Dominion Rubber was a subsidiary of Canadian Consolidated.									
CG/E	Canadian General Electric Company	Canada Foundry Company Limited							
C14									
? ? ? No association has been determined.									
CG/E	Canadian General Electric Company	The Radio Valve Company of							
C15	. ,	Canada Limited							
This was a subsidiary of CGE.									
CG/E	Canadian General Electric Company	Architectural Bronze and Iron Works							
C15		of Canadian Allis-Chalmers Ltd.							
Canadia	n Allis-Chalmers Ltd. was a subsidiary of CC	GE and Architectural Bronze was a							
	manufacturing plant of Canadian								
CIL	Canadian Industries Ltd.	Defence Industries Limited–Montreal							
C36									
	Defence Industries was a subsidiary of	Canadian Industries							

Defence Industries was a subsidiary of Canadian Industries.

An example of its activities:

During the early years of the war (WW2) Defence Industries Ltd. established a huge shell-filling plant on a site in the Township of Pickering. The plant employed 9,000 people, had its own post office, and between 1941 and 1945, filled and shipped 40 million shells. The community was often referred to as Dilville, but the permanent name of Ajax was chosen.

It would seem logical that Defence Industries Ltd. was the arm of CIL created to develop the armament business.

CNR	Canadian Northern Railway	Canadian National Railways
C40	anno spino	JUSSIN S AS NOTHER BOOK TO BOTTON A MUSICA

In 1918, ownership of Canadian Northern Railway was acquired by the Canadian Government. In 1923, Canadian Northern, Intercolonial Railway, Grand Trunk & Grand Trunk Pacific Railways were amalgamated to become Canadian National Railways. The Canadian Northern perforating device continued to be used by Canadian National.

C/N/R	Canadian Northern Railway	Niagara, St. Catherines & Toronto
C42	First Bid received will be accepted	Railway Company
	n good condition intress otherwise sood	Niagara, St. Catherines & Toronto Navigation Co. Ltd.

Niagara, St. Catherines & Toronto Railway Company was acquired by the Canadian Northern Railway from the promoters circa 1911. The Navigation company would have followed its Railway parent.

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C/N/R C42	Canadian Northern Railway	Canadian Northern Ontario Railway

IN 1902, the James Bay Railway charter was acquired by Canadian Northern and in 1905 was transformed into the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway.

Canadian National Railways

C/N/R C42	Canadian Northern Railway	Canadian Northern Steamships, Ltd.

The steamship company was incorporated in 1909 by the parent company, Canadian Northern Railway. It withdrew from the steamship business in 1916.

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C/N/R C43	Canadian National Railways	Canadian National Steamships

The Canadian Government Merchant Marine was built and owned as a public enterprise. On the formation of the C.N.R., the management of this fleet was entrusted to it – another "residual constituent" of the rail company. Subsequently, it evolved into Canadian National Steamships.

### PERFIN STUDY GROUP AUCTION NO. 18

Welcome to the 18th PSG Auction.

It is springtime. You will find in the following 189 lots, many interesting items. Again, it is an opportunity to build a collection at a low cost, realizing automatically a good investment, perfins gaining popularity and prices continually increasing. It's your move!!

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: The estimate values represent what should be a fair selling price based on Perfin Factor, the Issues, and in some cases, the rarity of the position to the perfin has been applied on the stamp.

**REMEMBER:** The starting bid is always 75% of the Estimate Value. This is a great occasion to obtain a selection of good perfins at a bargain price.

Kindly bid by lot number in 10¢ increments below a dollar and 25¢ increments otherwise. Successful bids will be 10% above the next highest bid, rounded up according to the above increments. The Study Group will charge a 10% commission only on the lots sold, payable by the consignors.

No unlimited bids. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposit no required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not described, **EXCEPT**, large lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within **THREE** (3) days of receipt.

Successful bidders will be notified by mail. All lots with a \$100.00 value or more will be sent by registered mail. Mailing cost will be paid by the buyer. Bid by lot number.

Conrad M. Tremblay 1563 Rue Papin L'Assomption, PQ J5W 5H9 Canada

Or, call: (450) 589-2307

All bids will be in Canadian funds. Payments in US funds accepted at the current rate of exchange.

Good luck in your bidding.

The Perfin Study Group members thank you for your participation.

Perfins wanted for the next Auction.

BIDDING CLOSES ON MAY 29, 2001

#### PERFIN STUDY GROUP AUCTION No. 18

Lot #	Style	Issue & Perfin Position	Punched	F	PF Description	Estimate or <del>Reserve-</del>
1 2 3 4 5	E4 L1	163-7 251-3 233-1 405-1 -4	E LA	F H	Wavy, die 2 Part of "Victory" cds " " " " "	Value 2.00 3.00 .50 .50
5 6 7 8 9	M12 N4 010 011	339-1 109i-1 91-8 107-1	ML/C NE OHN OHN	F E D G	Roller cds Die 2, wavy, small tear One half of the pattern, part duplex Slogan, S.E. at R, (1h,)	4.00 5.00 9.00 1.00
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 22 23 24 22 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 33 34 35 36 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37	00.8 00.8 00.4 00.4 00.1 00.1 00.8 00.8 00.8 00.1 00.1 00.1	108-1 109-1 d.1 111-1 150-1 155-1 164-1 165-1 190-1 192-1 193-1 196-1 197i-1 233-1 250-1 104-1 105-1 106-1 109-1 167-1 217-7 233-1 235-7 249-7 254-7 -5 287-7 MR4-1	P&L 30 10 8 30 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	AP A	Large R cds Half of bottom margin cut Duplex cds Light cds Wavy Winnipeg roller, 2 blind perfs. Wavy Wavy, left margin damaged, split patte Slogan Wavy, die 1  Roller Thin, light cds Die 1, heavy smudge cds Part of Ontario circular cds """, die 1  Light cds (1h.) Port Erie circ cds - 1936 - thin Wavy Light wavy cds, (1h.) bottom perfs sho Wavy Part of airmail cds (1h.) Machine cds, (1h.) Duplex, (1h.) Circ cds, inc. pat	1.00 1.00 2.00 2.50 .75 1.25 1.00 1.50 1.00
37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 P 46 47 P 48	R5		&Q/C05	G	Thin paper, very lt cds Vert, wavy Circ cds Wavy Die 2, wavy, m.p. Wavy Slogan Double punch, die 1, circ cds Vert wavy " " double punch Light cds Circ cds	1.00 1+++ .75 1.00 .75 1.00 2.00 1.00 2.50 1.50 2.00

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50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59	R5	192-3 193-7 197-5 219-5 MR1-5 MR4-5 232-1 233-5 235-1 241-6	R&Q/Cos	G	Vert cds, m.p. Wavy, m.p. Wavy Montreal roller, inc pattern, m.p. Light cds Wavy, S.E. at T and L Slogan Wavy Very light cds Circ cds	1.0 3.0 .7 1.5 1.0 2.0 1.5 3.5 4.0	0 5 0 0 0 0 0	
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68	R7	251-1 252-1 254-1 255-5 C8-4 89-1 -5 90-3 104-1 106-7	R&Q/Cos	G	Wavy "Roller cds - Thin Circ cds Duplex "Wavy Duplex Wavy	2.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 5.0 3.0 3.0 1.0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	
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87 88 90 91 92 93 94 95 96	S9	108-1 109-1 111-1 113-1 117-1 118-3 249-1 MR2-1 MR4-1 104-1	SC/C	G	Die 1, circ cds Montreal OC 22 24 Blur cds, S.E. at R (cut?) (6h.) Slogan cds Montreal roller (4h.) " " Split pattern Wavy L.L. corner thin and damaged Wavy " Wavy, 4 perfs pulled "	1.5 2.0 2.0 4.0 3.0 2.0 1.0 3.0 3.0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	
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107 P	S13	75-1	S.L/ACo.	F	Large Canada cds	10.00	
108 P 109 P		-1 7 <b>7</b> a-1			Large Canada cds Flag cds " " - die 2 Duplex	10.00	
110 P		79-1			1 T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	20.00	109
111 112		89-3 90-1			Montreal duplex (3h.) DE 9 11 cds	3.00	
113		104-1			Wavy Roller cds - split pattern	4.00	***************************************
114	VIE	106-1	11/00	_	Wavy, (4h. missing in L), perfs short	1.50	
115 116	W5	109-1 197-1	W/CB	F	Slogan	3.00	
117		232-3			Light machine cds	2.50	
118 119		233-7 236-1			Wavy, split punch Circ cds, Vancouver 1942 SEP 30, inc pat	2.00	
120		251-7			Wavy, m.p.	3.00	110
121 122		257-2 269-5			Duplex - m.p. Part of circ cds, m.p.	4.00	
123		286-5			Wavy, m.p.	3.00	
124 125		301-1 303-5			Circ cds, m.p. Wavy, m.p.	4.00	
126	110	304-5	1110	0	Wavy, m.p.	4.00	
127 128 P	W9	90-7 93-3/5X	WJG	G	Wavy Punched in 2 positions, roller cds, rare	1.50	231
129		107-2			Slogan, (1h. missing + 3 blind perfs)	1.50	
130 131		108-6 109-2			Wavy " " " " " Die 1, circ cds	1.00	
132	1.50	110-4			Clean Toronto roller, S.E. at T	4.00	
133 134		165a-2 167-6			Die 1, (1h. m. + 8 blind perfs), wavy Wavy, blind perfs	1.25	
135		168-8			Toronto roller, blind perfs	4.00	
136 137		170-4 190-1			" (4h.) Inc pattern	2.00	
138 139		192-4 197-4			Wavy, inc pattern (5h.)	2.00	
140		215-2			Toronto roller, Terminal A No. 26, (1h.)	5.00	
141 142		220-6 225-8			Roller cds	3.00	
143 P	W10	35-1	W.J.G.	F	3-ring Toronto cds 11 1/2 x 12, narrow	15.00	
144 P 145 P		37-1 76-4	-98-1		Square circle, Toronto cds, large stamp Light cds	20.00	2:20
146 P		77-2			Die 1, flag cds	10.00	
147 148	W15	104-1 105-1	Μ̈́Π	Ε	Slogan cds Die 2, wavy	5.00 5.00	
149		106-5			Slogan	5.00	B
150 151		107-5 142-1			Smudge cds	5.00	The State of the S
152		MR1-5			Slogan	8.00	143
153 154	W17	MR2-5X 107-1	WW/JR	G	Double punch inc., wavy Roller (1h.)	10.00	
155		108-1		1000	Part of a slogan cds	1.00	
156 157		109-1 118-1			Die 2, part slogan, (1h.) Smudgy cds, (7h.)	1.50 3.00	
158		135-1			Wavy, 2 complete patterns. S.E. at R	5.00	x::1
159		150-1			Slogan (2h.)	1.00	
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160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174 175 176 177 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187	164-1 165-1 167-1 170-1 175-1 190-1 191-1 195-1 198-1 212-1 220-1 231-1 232-1 235-1 235-1 235-1 235-1 235-1 235-1 235-1 235-1 255-1 269-1 269-1 284-3 285-3 286-1 287-1 306-1	WW/JR	g	Slogan Light cds, die 2 Slogan (2h.) Durty roller. inc pattern Almost 2 patterns, sm thin, sm tear Durty roller cds Slogan Light cds (5h.) Roller, 3 perfs cu Wavy " (1h.) Light cds, (1h.) Nice pinkish cds Wavy, split pattern Flag cds, (2h.) Lt cds Toronto roller, few perfs short at B Lt wavy circ cds (1h.) "" Roller cds, (1h.) "" Roller cds, (1h.) "" Circ cds (1h.) Lt wavy Vancouver circ cds vii 21 51, split pat. Quebec circ cds Wavy (7h.) "" (2h.)	1.00 1.00 1.00 1.50 2.00 1.50 2.00 2.00 2.00 1.25 1.25 1.00 2.00 1.25 1.25 1.00 1.50