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Welcome to our first publication of the year, the first since last summer. Since that time BNAPEX 2003 was held in London, ON and by now you will certainly have heard the details of who won what so I won't bore you any further with the details. I'll just take this opportunity to thank the show organizers for a job well done.

The Perfin Study Group had a meeting at the show and Mike Behm did an excellent presentation on two aspects of Canadian Perfins. They were "**Canadian Perfins of the Victorian Era**" and "**Mysteries in Canadian Perfins**". Both of these have been set up on the BNAPS web site with help from Robin Harris Thanks guys.

There were a total of thirteen people present for the meeting, they were: Norm Wagner, Jan Wagner, George McGowan, John Hillmer, Dave Hannay, Bridget Behm, Mike Behm, Jim Kraemer, Frank Wheeler, George B. Dresser, Robin Harris, John Rempert and Barry Senior. Thanks to those who attended and please drop me a line if I forgot anyone.

This issue is somewhat late and you probably noticed the lack of a fourth issue for 2003, this is due entirely to the lack of available material. I find that I am receiving almost nothing from the membership to publish so without material there is no newsletter. Please make an effort to send something along that may be of interest to others.

This issue consists mainly of Auction #22 which follows submissions from Doug Lingard and Russell Sampson. Also included are the Prices Realized for PSG Auction #20 which was unavailable with the last issue.

Our Treasurer, Steve Koning, has informed me that we currently have a hefty bank balance. In light of the fact that we will probably not publish more than 4 issues this year we are declaring this a "No Dues year". This means simply that anyone who has already paid their dues for this year will be automatically paid up for 2005.

WANT AD: Wanted- Perfins on the King Edward VII issue of Canada. I am trying to expand my exhibit and would be happy to trade stamps or covers with other collectors. In particular I would like to find positions 2,6 & 8 of the C28 (CHI Montreal) on the 2 cent KE VII and positions 2, 4, 5 & 6 (JMD) also on the two cent. I would also like an S13 (SL/Aco) on a 7 cent and 50 cent value. Contact: Russell D. Sampson, 48 B Eastbrook Heights, Mansfield Center, CT 06250 or email- sampsonR@easternCT.edu

Notice - this space is available for members "**Want Ads**" so if there is something in particular that you are looking for feel free to drop me a line and I'll publish all requests as space permits. If submissions don't pick up we'll have 10 pages available for Wants so everyone will have room. But seriously, please try to send something along for the next issue.

Happy Stamping

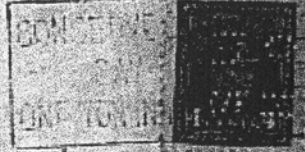
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SAINT DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE
CHARLOTTETOWN
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND



College Book Company,
Columbus, Ohio.

Doug Lingard has submitted the cover shown above with a 4 hole OHMS perfin. The corner card on the cover is Saint Dunstan's College in Charlottetown, PEI. Doug wonders why this College would have been using OHMS perfins? Does anyone have any ideas behind this usage? Has anyone seen a similar usage? Please address any comments to the editor please.

Some Perfin Puzzles

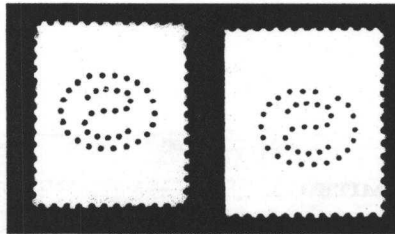
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Here are a couple of puzzles the members of the study group may find interesting.

Lost Shawinigan Water & Power Pin Found?

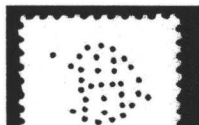
According to the most recent edition of the perfin catalogue (Johnson, J. C. and Tomasson, G. ed. 1985) the oval surrounding the 'S' in the S7 is incomplete. In the small number of examples I have in my collection, and all the examples I remember seeing, one pin always appears to be missing. The perfin below shows a complete oval. It is on a 5-cent purple Admiral. The 'normal' S7 beside it is also on a 5-cent Admiral. Is this an apparently deliberate change in the design like the two versions of the C36 (CIL, Canadian Industries Ltd), or is it just early damage to the die that was never fixed?



Complete S7 Normal S7

Distorted London International Harvester

This C27 perfin appears to be dramatically distorted. It is a relatively common design on a relatively common stamp (3-cent medallion). There are large sections of the perfin design that neatly match with an undistorted copy. What could cause this? Is this an example of bent pins or did it have something to do with the way the stamp was fed into the machine? If it was a damaged die, has anyone seen this distorted version of the C27 on other stamps?



An envelope with the Steel Company of Canada corner card and Montreal Rolling Mills Company perfin is not unusual as in 1910, the MPMC was one of several companies which amalgamated to become the Steel Company of Canada. While the Steel Company's head office is in Hamilton, and they used perforation S9, they continued to operate the MPMC under the Steel Co. name in Montreal and continued the use of the MPMC perforator on its stamps from there.

On the cover below, one would expect to find a Montreal postmark, but as can be seen it is Liverpool. Wigan is, according to a map of England, about 20 miles NE of Liverpool. It is logical to assume that Liverpool would be the normal sorting/distributing centre for overseas mail addressed to Wigan, and it is also assumed that a sharp eyed postal clerk, noting the stamps were uncanceled, did so in Liverpool.

A stamp club member, knowledgeable on postal rates, told me that in 1940 the surface rate to Great Britain was 3¢ for the first ounce and 2¢ for each additional ounce, so 7¢ postage would fit a 3 ounce letter.

The 1½d Great Britain stamp is perforated [CW], which I believe is the perfin of the Cunard White Star Line but [SE] I could be wrong as I do not know for sure, is also cancelled Liverpool. How or why or when or by whom and for what reason it was applied, is unknown. Has anyone any ideas ???

NO. 15

THE STEEL COMPANY OF CANADA LIMITED
AT POINT OF MAILING

Messrs. Thomas Crompton & Sons Ltd.,
Ashton-in-Makerfield,
Wigan, England.



The original envelope was made of kraft paper, 5" x 11½" in size, but reduced to fit on this page.

.....Mark Fennell

AUCTION # 20 PRICES REALISED

1- 110.00	64- 3.00	116- 4.50	166- 2.25	303- 2.00
2- 56.25	66- 1.50	121- 3.50	167- 2.75	304- 3.00
7- 38.50	70- 3.00	123- 1.50	184- 4.50	305- 33.75
- 11.25	71- 3.00	126- 3.00	187- 82.50	309- 1.25
17- 52.25	74- 3.00	127- 9.00	193- 3.00	319- .50
18- 2.25	75- 4.50	129- 2.25	217- 3.75	320- .25
21- 3.75	81- 3.75	132- 4.50	226- 3.75	338- 3.00
23- 16.50	83- 1.25	131- 3.75	244- 11.25	339- 3.00
26- 13.25	87- 3.50	136- 1.25	261- 2.75	341- 1.00
27- 16.50	88- 7.50	139- 6.00	280- 1.75	342- 7.00
29- 24.75	93- 38.50	140- 1.25	283- 3.00	343- 8.00
30- 10.00	94- 30.00	141- 1.50	288- 30.00	344- .75
33- 6.00	96- 2.50	144- 3.00	289- 16.50	348- 33.00
34- 6.00	98- 1.50	147- 2.00	290- 7.50	349- 1.50
37- 3.00	99- 3.00	157- 3.00	291- 8.00	
38- 1.75	101- 16.50	158- 3.00	294- 12.75	
39- 2.25	105- 1.50	160- 2.75	297- 1.75	THANK
41- 7.50	106- 2.25	161- 5.00	298- 1.75	YOU
45- 2.25	110- 2.00	164- 3.75	300- 30.00	
59- 1.50	115- 2.00	165- 3.75	301- 15.00	

PERFIN STUDY GROUP AUCTION # 22

Welcome to the 22nd Perfins Study Group Auction.

This auction includes O.H.M.S. material sent in by Bert Albrecht; material donated to the study group; and non-Canadian lots from Joe Laura.

The estimated value is based on my experience. The market value will be decided through the bidding. Bids for less than 75% of the estimate or for less than \$0.25 will not be accepted. Items priced at \$0.25 must receive at least a \$0.25 bid.

Items will be sold at one advance over the second highest bid. No unlimited bids. In case of a tie, the earliest received bid wins. Please bid by lot number in 25 cent increments up to \$5.00, in 50 cent increments up to \$10.00, in \$1.00 increments after \$10.00 and in \$2.00 increments after \$20.00

Bids via e-mail to: steven@koning.ca will be accepted, and acknowledged via return e-mail. The Perfins Study Group will charge a 10% commission only on lots sold, payable by the consignor. Single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise indicated. In larger lots, incomplete patterns, split patterns, duplication and tired stamps are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT large lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE days of receipt. Cheques or Money Orders are to be payable to the **Perfins Study Group**.

Successful bidders will be notified by mail or e-mail where applicable. All lots with a value of \$100.00 or more shall be sent by registered mail. Mailing costs shall be paid by the buyer.

Bidding closes June 30, 2004 at midnight (postmark on your letter, on time/date on e-mail). My own bids are already in the hands of the Chair, Barry Senior.

Please send your bids to:

Steven Koning, address on the front page of the Perforator, or at the e-mail address above. Bids shall be in Canadian funds. Payment in USD is accepted at the current rate of exchange as applicable on the date of sale.

Good luck and thanks for your bids.

ABBREVIATIONS USED:

t = top, b = bottom, r = right, l = left	perf = perforations of the stamp
s/e = straight edge, msg = missing,	sh = short,
pce = piece	p = pattern
h = horizontal, v = vertical	sm = small, priv = private

Lot #	Country	Pattern	R.F	#	Comments (#'s are from Scott)	Est \$
2	Austria				5 (3) add, varnish bars	\$1.00
3	Austria/ Serbia				partial pattern ..HNITLL..	\$1.00
4	Bavaria				16 (2) add older	\$3.00
5	Bohemia & Mor				5 ad, P10, "P"	\$2.00
6	Denmark				27 ad des 3, wavy lines	\$3.00
7	France				3 ad, A94 on Sc 304, 344, 346	\$1.00
8	Germany, Netherl				fake "P", fake "S"	\$1.00
9	GB				2 diff, LJ/CM, L3290.02	\$1.00
10					L0006.02 on Sc 288	\$1.00
11	Levant				1 pstre o/p Ptrn A13	\$2.00
12	Papua				C1 on Sc 43, perf 11	\$1.00
13	Romania				11 (3) 7dd, nice	\$3.00
14	Switzerland				2 fake d83 on 168, 180	\$1.00
15	USA				2 stock/revenue stamps	\$1.00
16					19 add on Scott 610 (BI Harding)	\$2.00
17	GB				A20.01m, W10.04m, on 249A	\$0.30
18					M360.016 on 249A, 250, 251	\$1.00
19					T 4010.07 on 311	\$2.00
20					K10.04a on 249A	\$0.25
21	France				All airmail, 5ad on 3 patterns	\$1.00
22	Hungary				pair, 1 w 3-hole ptrn, other not	\$0.50
23					5 3-hole fakes	\$0.50
24					77ad stamps 3-hole triangle	\$10.00
25	India				31 issues all LD/f	\$3.00
26	Netherlands				191 ad on 73 patterns	\$25.00
27	Nigeria				6 issues, NRC	\$1.00
28	Sudan				2 issues, AS	\$0.25
29	Newfoundland	A9	G	226	nice Silver Jubilee perfin	\$3.00
30				252-2	clean	\$1.00
31	Canada:	C6	G	313	clean	\$0.50
32		C45	I	791-3	4 h msg	\$0.25
33				796	clean	\$0.25
34				796-3	clean	\$0.25
35				907	1 h msg	\$0.25
36				907-3	12 blind h	\$0.25
37				918	clean	\$0.25
38				918-3	clean	\$0.25
39				923	2 h msg	\$0.25
40				923-3	split, msg h	\$0.25
41				923-5	mosth blind	\$0.25
42				924	clean	\$0.25
43				924-3	1 h msg	\$0.25
44		G14	G	90	clean	\$0.50
45		M3	F	106-5	clean	\$0.75
46		M16	G	C8	5 h off b	\$0.25
47				114	clean	\$2.00
48				154	clean	\$3.00
49				172	clean	\$2.00
50		N11	H	197-3	v pr	\$0.50
51				306-3	1 h msg	\$0.25

52	Canada:			327-3	1 h off r	\$0.25
53		N14	F	306	clean	\$0.25
54				323-5	split, msg h	\$0.25
55		N17	E	327	split, msg h	\$0.25
56		N19	E	341-8	clean	\$2.00
57		P3	E	257	clean	\$0.50
58		P4	G	150-2	off stamp	\$0.25
59				164	split, msg h	\$0.25
60				175-2	2 sm wrinkles, nice stamp	\$1.00
61				196-5	split, msg h	\$0.25
62				197	off r	\$0.25
63				218-3	split, msg h	\$0.25
64				219-2	clean	\$0.25
65				232-3	split, msg h	\$0.25
66				233	split, msg h	\$0.25
67				235-7	split, msg h	\$0.25
68				241a-6	rd corner	\$1.00
69				250-5	off b	\$0.25
70				251-7	split, msg h	\$0.25
71				252-2	partial pattern ..HNITLL..	\$0.25
72				254-5	clean	\$0.25
73				257-2	clean	\$0.50
74				269-5	clean	\$0.50
75				271-7	clean	\$0.50
76				277-5	clean	\$0.50
77				282	clean	\$0.50
78		P5	F	175-5	off edge, 4 h msg	\$0.25
79				190	split, msg h	\$0.25
80				223-5	off edge many h msg	\$0.25
81				255-5	clean	\$0.25
82				327	clean	\$0.25
83				P5-231	nice preperf	\$1.00
84		P6	G	150	off edge	\$0.25
85				167-3	clean	\$0.25
86				197-3	split, msg h	\$0.25
87				175	clean, roller cancel	\$0.50
88		Q1	H	150-5	clean	\$0.25
89				165a-5	clean	\$0.25
90				166	s/e	\$0.25
91				167-3	clean	\$0.25
92				196	clean	\$0.25
93				197-7	split, msg h	\$0.25
94				199-5	clean	\$0.25
95				218-7	clean	\$0.25
96				232-5	clean	\$0.25
97				233-3	off edge	\$0.25
98				235	clean	\$0.25
99				249-5	clean	\$0.25
100				250	clean	\$0.25
101				251	clean	\$0.25
102				252-7	clean	\$0.25

103	Canada			254-5	clean	\$0.25
104				257-2	clean	\$0.50
105				269	clean	\$0.50
106				271	clean	\$0.50
107				276-5	1 h msg	\$0.25
108				277-3	clean	\$0.50
109				284-5	clean	\$0.25
110				286	clean	\$0.25
111				287	some h msg	\$0.25
112				301-5	clean	\$0.50
113				304-5	split, msg h	\$0.25
114				306-5	msg h	\$0.25
115				316	clean	\$0.50
116				316-7	clean	\$0.50
117				319	clean	\$0.25
118				323	clean	\$0.25
119				324-3	1 h msg	\$0.25
120				324-5	clean	\$0.25
121				327-5	clean	\$0.25
122				328-3	clean	\$0.25
123				329	clean	\$0.25
124		P15	I	535-7	clean,late usage	\$2.00
125		R3	G	90-3	clean	\$1.00
126				232-7	some blind h	\$0.25
127				233-7	many blind h	\$0.25
128		R5	G	MR1	clean	\$0.50
129				MR1-5	clean	\$0.50
130		S2	G	254-3	clean	\$0.25
131		S9	G	166	clean	\$0.25
132				197	clean	\$0.25
133		T12	G	166	clean	\$0.25
134		T13	F	286	clean	\$1.00
135		O7	F	231	clean	\$1.00
136				232	clean	\$1.00
137		O8	I	231-2	clean	\$0.25
138	For issues with			231-4	clean	\$0.25
139	perforator O9, if			232-2	clean	\$0.25
140	stamp is available			232-4	clean	\$0.25
141	and you would			232-2	v bl of six	\$0.50
142	prefer O9, then			233-2	clean	\$0.25
143	please let me			233-4	clean	\$0.25
144	know, and if the			234-4	close to edge	\$0.75
145	stamp is in the			235-4	clean	\$0.25
146	collection, I will			236-4	clean	\$1.50
147	send it for the			241-2	clean	\$0.25
148	same price as the			241-4	clean	\$0.25
149	highest O8 bid			241a-2	clean	\$0.25
150	for that issue.			242	clean	\$0.50
151				242-3	clean	\$0.75
152				243	clean	\$1.00
153				243-3	clean	\$1.00

154	Canada		244	sm abrasion, sm grease spot	\$3.00
155	There are many	O8/O9	249-2	clean	\$0.25
156	copies of most		249-4	clean	\$0.25
157	stamps.		250-2	clean	\$0.25
158	The total OHMS		252-4	clean	\$0.25
159	collection has		251-2	clean	\$0.25
160	548 stamps.		251-4	clean	\$0.25
161	The highest bid		252-2	clean	\$0.25
162	over \$100 will		252-4	clean	\$0.25
163	take the whole		253	clean	\$0.40
164	collection and		254-2	clean	\$0.25
165	the album it		254-4	clean	\$0.25
166	comes in.		255-2	clean	\$0.25
167	Just bid on		255-4	clean	\$0.25
168	whole OHMS lot		256	clean	\$0.25
169			257-2	clean	\$0.25
170			257-4	clean	\$0.25
171			258	clean	\$1.50
172			258-3	clean	\$1.50
173			259	clean	\$0.40
174			259-3	clean	\$0.40
175			260	clean	\$0.25
176			260-3	clean	\$0.25
177			261	clean	\$2.00
178			261-3	clean	\$2.00
179			268	clean	\$2.00
180			269	clean	\$0.25
181			269-3	clean	\$0.25
182			270	clean	\$0.25
183			270-3	clean	\$0.25
184			271	clean	\$0.25
185			271-3	clean	\$0.25
186			272-3	clean	\$2.00
187			273-3	clean	\$8.00
188			C1	clean	\$6.00
189			C6	clean	\$0.40
190			C7	clean	\$0.50
191			C8	clean	\$0.25
192			C8-3	clean	\$0.25
193			C9	clean	\$0.25
194			C9-3	clean	\$0.25
195			CE2	clean	\$5.00
196			E7	clean	\$2.00
197			E10-3	clean	\$10.00
198			E11	some holes msg	\$2.00